PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL MILES CITY, MONTANA

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 24, 2013 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Council meeting was held Thursday, October 24, 2013, in the Conference Room at City Hall, 17 S. 8th Street, at 5:30 p.m. Mayor C. A. Grenz called the meeting to order and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present were Mark Ahner, Bill Melnik, John Uden, Jerry Partridge, John Hollowell, Roxanna Brush, Susan Galbraith and Dwayne Andrews. Also present were City Attorney Dan Rice, Public Service Director Scott Gray, Grant Writer Dawn Colton and Recorder/ City Clerk Lorrie Pearce.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 3643: A Resolution Authorizing the City of Miles City to Grant an Easement to Qwest Corporation, D/B/A Centurylink QC for the Construction of Buried Telecommunication Facilities.

Attorney Rice explained that the City has already granted MDU a 20 foot easement, so there should not be a problem granting Centurylink a footprint easement within that area.

** Councilperson Uden moved to approve Resolution 3643, read by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Melnik and, on roll call vote, passed unanimously, 7-0. Councilperson Hollowell was absent for the vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 3644: A Resolution to create a special improvement district number 211, to improve and pave certain portion of Arrowhead Lane, including curb and gutter, with the Southgate meadows Subdivision in Miles City, Montana

Attorney Rice explained that, at this point in the process, the City cannot bid the work or finalize the subdivision because the pavement is not completed. Once the City creates the district, work does not have to start right away, so the City does not rush to have the precise numbers for the project, just the basic terms of the scope of work. After the SID is created, the City will look at the financing, which will unlikely be the 20 years, as previously suggested. It will probably be 5-8 years at the most. At this point in the process the resolution has to be passed to create the district. Then there is an entirely new process, which includes bidding, getting the precise numbers, figuring the payment and assessing the property.

Councilperson Ahner asked if the property owners would have an opportunity to protest the new assessment. Attorney Rice said once the District is created and the work is completed, the taxpayer will have to pay it.

Attorney Rice added that Planner DeGrandpre had asked that half of the estimated amount from M&L Enterprises be deposited in the City's account. This will be included in the contract.

** Councilperson Galbraith moved to adopt Resolution 3644, read by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hollowell and, on roll call vote, passed unanimously, 8-0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 3645: A Resolution revising conditions of Plat PP-2012-01, Southgate Subdivision

Grant Writer Colton commented that on page one, line 5 of the revised conditions of plat should be removed.

** Councilperson Brush moved to approve Resolution 3645, read by title only, with the above correction. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Melnik and, on roll call vote, passed unanimously, 8-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eric Doeden, Doeden Construction, asked if the City has a code specification for concrete poured in City limits. He reported that every order is being poured differently. Director Gray will investigate and report back to him.

ADJOURNMENT

** Councilperson Uden moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Brush and passed unanimously, 8-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

C.A. Grenz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lorrie Pearce, City Clerk