

**CITY OF VERGAS
COUNCIL AGENDA
Vergas City Hall
Tuesday, October 22, 2019
6:30 pm
Special Council Meeting**

2019 Street Project Update

Personnel

- a. Employee Notice Form
- b. Liquor Store Employee

Nuisance Property – 350 S Pelican Ave

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Tuesday, October 22, 2019 6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of Vergas met in special session at 6:30 p.m., on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 in the Council Chambers, Event Center with the following members present: Mayor Dean Haarstick, Council Members, Logan Dahlgren, Terri Smith, Paul Pinke and Julie Bruhn. Absent: none. Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Julie Lammers, Utilities Superintendent Mike DuFrane, Engineer Scott Kolbinger, Duane Strand, Pat Strand, Barbie Porter of the Frazee-Vergas Forum and Steve Peloquin of Peloquin Law Firm.

Mayor Dean Haarstick called the meeting to order.

Engineer Scott Kolbinger reviewed 2019 street project. Letter from David Antonsen was provided to the Council concerning the street project. Road side slopes are not to engineering specs and Anderson Brothers are requesting the City pay for dirt for \$5,000 to make the slopes to spec this is an expense the City would have paid during the project if it was done during the project. Anderson Brothers are asking the City to repay for the grass seed for \$4,000.00. It was discussed that KLJ was overseeing the project and did not stop the project should this not be a KLJ expense as project should have been stopped before the last seeding was done. Discussed infiltration ditches by Diane Ave and Eve Street. Kolbinger is going to check the infiltration ditch and talk with other engineers to figure out more options. Discussed the Main, Linden and 3rd Street loop the slopes are not walkable and will not be able to be mowed and grass is more weeds than grass. Discussed paying our bond payments and the cost of not finishing the project by the end of the year. Discussed the fact the KLJ was hired to engineer and to make sure items were done to speck but the project was not completed or done to speck, and Council discussed the fact that it falls on the Engineering firm. Discussed warranty of the street which is one year. Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Bruhn to approve the change order of grass seed payment of \$4,000.00 if they will warranty the seed and to bring slopes into compliance. Voting yes: Bruhn, Dahlgren and Pinke. Voting no: Smith. Motion carried. Council asked Kolbinger to have the project completed by the November Council meeting. Kolbinger said he would keep Lammers undated on how the project was proceeding.

Discussed employee notice form the State of MN is now requiring. Motion by Smith, seconded by Dahlgren to approve the employee notice form. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Smith, seconded by Bruhn to hire Samuel Meyer as a part time liquor store clerk for \$10.10 an hour. Motion passed unanimously.

Lammers reviewed the nuisance property at 350 S Pelican Avenue and court date is scheduled for November 12. The property owner has requested we allow him more time and drop the court date. The property owner is not able to attend tonight's meeting. Motion by Bruhn, seconded by Smith to give the property owner until the 7th of November at 12:00 midnight to bring in to compliance allowing planning commission to decide if the property is complying or to move forward with the hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The business for which the meeting was called having been completed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Clerk-Treasurer Julie Lammers, CMC