

A special session of the Terry Town Council was called to order by Mayor Ron Kiosse, on June 27, 2012 at 6:35 pm for the purpose of discussing the Interlocal Agreement for Public Safety with Prairie County, the Terry Volunteer Fire Department, Delinquent Sewer Accounts, appointing a council member to replace departing Council Member Kathy Hickman. Council members present were Rolane Christofferson, Clinton Rakes, Kathy Hickman, and Fred Rambur. Also present were Clerk Lynn Strasheim, Jared Davis (PWD), Town Attorney Rebecca Convery, Greg Huber, and Joe Johnson.

Mayor Kiosse initially allowed for public comment, wherein Joe Johnson expressed disagreement with the zoning of the town.

The council discussed the Interlocal Agreement on Public Safety. Some changes that will go into effect will be the discontinuation of the Public Safety Commission, with the department becoming a Sheriff's Department. Also, the town will no longer provide health insurance coverage to the sheriff's department. Greg Huber discussed the decision to let the town's main pumper respond to Ashland, and the discontinuation of the town's employee benefits to the Sheriff's department.

The council discussed the Terry Volunteer Fire Department (TVFD). John Pisk was serving as Fire Chief and has recently resigned. There was some question if the Assistant Chief, Jason Smith, is remaining on the department. The council discussed the situation and decided that a special meeting of the TVFD should be held with some council in attendance as soon as possible. (Rakes/Rambur) Mayor Kiosse discussed a request he had received from Acting Fire Chief Jason Smith the night before, wherein Jason Smith had reported receiving a request for support in the form of a pumper at the Ash Creek Fire. Mayor Kiosse had given permission for the town's main pumper to respond. Due to the elevated fire danger and the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday, the council enacted a ban on open burning and fireworks within the town except for an allowance of lighting fireworks at the baseball fields from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. on July 4<sup>th</sup> with county fire personnel present. The first offense will result in a warning; a second offense will result in a \$500 fine. With the assistance of Town Attorney Rebecca Convery, Clerk Strasheim will post signage.

Joe Johnson requested consideration for the council position and expressed disagreement with the fireworks ban. Joe Johnson was escorted out of Town Hall by Undersheriff Greg Huber for using foul language.

Upon their return from providing support in the Ashland, Montana area, Jason Smith and Aaron Martinson resigned as volunteers on the Terry Volunteer Fire Department.

Clerk Strasheim discussed with the council clarification on the parameters for the town putting a tax lien on a delinquent sewer account. The council moved to allow the clerk to proceed with the certified letters on past due sewer accounts (those without payment on account for at least three (3) months) with the clerk's discretion. (Rakes/Hickman)

The council discussed possible appointments for Kathy Hickman's seat.

The council reviewed some expenditure line items for the 2012-2013 budget. They will discuss further at the next regular Town Council meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm. (Christofferson/Rakes)

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Lynn Strasheim, Clerk

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Ronald G Kiosse, Mayor