The Garrison City Council met Monday January 6, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the city council room. Present: Mayor Stuart Merry, Shannon Jeffers, Bree Stumvoll, David Reinarts, Brittney Gilbert, and Otto Kinn. Absent: Billee Jo Iglehart. Visitors: AE2S representative. Others present: City Supervisor Greg Boucher, City Attorney James Wilson, and Chief Travis Tesch. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Stumvoll to approve the city council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Chief Tesch’s monthly report on calls for service and citations was reviewed. The new vehicle is ready for service. Tesch has an extra Narcan kit.

City Supervisor Greg Boucher gave his monthly report. Snow removal and sanding of streets continue. Water plant construction also continues.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Jeffers to approve the city auditor’s monthly financial report. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

The municipal court report for December was presented and reviewed.

City Auditor Diane Affeldt report was presented. Affeldt attended city court, committee meetings, and special meetings. Web site updates and monthly meeting notices were posted. FEMA funding for the generators is being processed. The 2025 pet tags have arrived. Annual dump ground report was completed and filed with the State.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Kinn to approve bills submitted for payment. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

US Postmaster Postage 297.60

Verizon Wireless Cell phones 497.74

RTC Networks Telephone 1,416.20

UNUM Life Ins. Insurance 21.45

One Call Concepts Fax calls 3.00

Circle Sanitation Service City garbage/landfill 468.25

Garrison Park Board State revenue 2,586.28

Vestis Auditorium service 704.92

Digital Office Centre Cartridge 131.99

St. Paul Stamp Works Pet tags 111.11

Municipal Finance Officers Dues 40.00

NorDak North Publishing 895.87

Steve’s Plumbing Auditorium repairs 281.47

Semchenko Electric Auditorium repairs 766.25

Kevin’s Plumbing Auditorium repairs 2,870.20

H.A. Thompson City Hall furnace 403.34

Fire Extinguishing Annual inspection 344.90

Garrison Lumber Supplies 167.77

Blue Cross of ND Insurance 221.99

RTC Networks Monthly fee 45.00

Version Connect PD vehicles 56.85

State of ND Information State email fee 117.10

Post Board License 45.00

Balco Uniform Clothing 371.39

Axon Enterprise License 182.59

Axon Enterprise Yearly renewal 2,151.20

Garrison Fire Dept. Yearly expenses 11,625.34

KLJ Engineering Service 3,016.83

O’Day Equipment Fuelmaster 433.06

RDO Equipment Airport tractor 1,044.99

First District Health Testing 60.00

MDU Service 1,361.41

McLean Electric Coop Power 2,004.00

ND Dept. of Health Testing 384.51

American Welding Chemicals 75.75

USA Blue Book Chemicals 822.41

Core & Main Piping 242.21

Burlington Electric Service 2,716.70

Eggers Electric Motor Motor 251.03

Share Corp. Chemicals 2,306.93

Border States Industries Signs 308.80

Jared Johnson Safety boots 120.00

Heidi Smith Safety clothing 233.50

Michael Todd & Co. Signs 118.92

Napa Auto Parts Parts 48.47

Northwestern Equip. Parts 188.83

Cenex Fleetcard Gas 220.33

Otter Tail Power Power 6,524.42

Elan Financial Convention, parts 553.85

Waste Management Garbage 8,107.50

Digital Office Centre Library 99.28

Gale/Cengage Learning Library 141.69

Penworthy Library 330.00

Micro Marketing Library 470.83

Krause’s Super Valu Supplies/candy 44.22

Farmers Union Oil Gas 2,292.32

S & J Hardware Supplies 226.54

McLean Co. Auditor Taxes 7,019.27

Wilson Law Firm Services 1,842.75

Kevin’s Plumbing Auditorium furnace 20,262.50

US Postmaster Water bills 284.57

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Stumvoll to approve Sales & Use Tax Committee recommendations to fund City of Garrison, $6,816.79 and Garrison Titans Baseball Boosters, $5,000 from community development. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Kinn to approve Game of Chance for GHS FAA. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Stumvoll to approve payment to OhnstadTwichell for water plant dispute and water intake project. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Stumvoll to approve 2024 Employee Gross Wages. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Reinarts to approve 2024 Budget Income & Expenditure over/under. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Jeffers, seconded by Stumvoll to approve 20% Enterprise Revenue distribution: Library Fund $5,000; Equipment Fund, $15,000; Fire Dept. Equipment Fund, $4,800. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Stumvoll to approve Burlington Electric Proposal for providing and installing an IXOM GS-9 tank mixer in the Clearwell at the water treatment plant for $19,095.00. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Kinn, seconded by Reinarts to approve water overage fee of $5.50 per thousand effective 1-1-2025. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

City Attorney Jim Wilson had no report.

Mayor Merry’s monthly report. was reviewed. He visits the water treatment plant during the month. He attends Garrison Chamber of Commerce meetings and volunteers at Garrison Area Resource Center. He attended the Utilities & Streets Committee meeting, Water Board Meeting, contractors meeting on the intake project and chaired Sales & Use Tax Committee meeting. He attended the CHI public meeting and assisted at Gifts from the Heart distribution. He wrote a letter to Trinity Health to request they reconsider closing their Garrison office. At the past Chamber of Commerce meeting, he mentioned the city street employees would like to remove the garbage receptacle from Main Street to ease in snow removal. The city will store the receptacles until spring.

Alderman Reinarts reported for Utilities & Street Committee and Water Board Committee. The committees met with engineers on the CMAR and Water Treatment Plant project.

Alderman Jeffers reported the Public Buildings Committee is working on the dishwasher at the city auditorium. He has submitted Sales & Use Tax requests for replacement of dishwasher at the city auditorium, fire hall ceiling mount heaters and city hall generator.

Alderperson Stumvoll reported for the Police, Fire Dept. & Personnel Committee. The committee is amending last month’s motion on city employee wages beginning after the last period in December 2024. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Stumvoll to approve change order #4 for Burlington Electric of $2,069.52 for water plant project. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Stumvoll to approve Resolution of Determinations Regarding the Utilization of the Construction Management At-Risk Delivery Method. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Reinarts, seconded by Jeffers to approve Moore Engineering pay request on the Raw Water Intake project for $$6,253.75. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Moved by Stumvoll, seconded by Jeffers to approve beer and/or liquor license transfer for Hometown Tavern February 15, 2025, to the city auditorium. Voting Yea: Jeffers, Stumvoll, Reinarts, Gilbert and Kinn. Nay: None.

Sales & Use Tax requests from City of Garrison were reviewed.

The next regular city council meeting will be Monday February 3, 2025, at 7:00 pm. The city council meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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Diane Affeldt, City Auditor Stuart Merry, Mayor