

Rutland City Council
October 7, 2024

The monthly City Council meeting was called to order at 5p.m. by Mayor Mahrer. Council members Anderson, Erickson, Lysne and McLaen present. City Auditor and City Engineer Mike Bassingthwaite also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Erickson/Lysne moved approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

McLaen/Lysne moved approval of the September 9, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

Park Board President Larry Christensen introduced Pete Fust who has been working with him on creating the disk golf course at Sanderson Field. Fust stated that he has been doing these courses since the 1970s and was happy to help Rutland establish its own. Several other individuals have assisted or provided resources – such as a Bobcat – to create the course; those include Shannon Mehrer, Scott Haan, Mac Pherson, Calvin Jacobson, Rodney Erickson and others. The course is a 10-hole course and the City will have the possibility to expand it to 18 holes in the future. There are about 15,000 of these courses in the United States and there is a website and maps of the U.S. Frisbee golf courses. Larry Christensen said each of the 10 holes will have the Par, Hole number, and length like a golf course. The Park Board will have a dedication of the course in the spring. Interested individuals can come for an orientation this week on the course; date and time will be posted.

The Mayor called the Budget public hearing to order at 5:15 p.m. There being no individuals to address the City on the proposed 2025 budget, the hearing was closed at 5:25 p.m.

The regular meeting reconvened.

Anderson/Erickson moved to set the levy for the City of Rutland at 105 mills for 2025 for an estimated tax of \$53,884.22, upon all taxable property in the City for the calendar year ended December 31, 2025, which levy is itemized as follows: General Fund \$35,498.59; City Share of Specials \$398.19, and the 2010 Street Specials \$17,987.44. Motion carried unanimously.

McLaen/Lysne moved to authorize the City of Rutland participation in the Sargent County Emergency Management Agency. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council received the Post Office construction drawings from the USPO.

Scott Haan, Public Works, presented cost proposals for a new Bobcat, a mower, and security cameras for the exterior of City Hall. He reported that the Bobcat only has 110 hours of use. It is not necessary to do a trade on that this year; Bobcat no longer does a municipal program. It will get warranty service before winter. The mower is three years old and has 430 hours on it, most of which is heavy mowing. The quote is for a tractor with mower attachment.

Lysne moved to purchase a new mower. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

The City will keep the current equipment and get another quote next year on a mower. No action was taken on the security cameras due to the price of the project.

Scott reported there is another water leak by the Tesch residence which is on the owner’s side of the shut off valve.

Anderson/Lysne moved approval of the September financials as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Lysne/McLaen moved approval of the payment of bills:

ACH	Waste Management	\$ 1,708.90	13867	Quill	217.08
ACH	Waste Management	107.47	13868	Rutland Oil	17.83
ACH	DRN	147.74	13869	Sargent Co. Auditor	456.77
13860	Otter Tail Power	1,187.94	13870	The Teller	76.52
13861	Scott Haan	1,126.97	13871	VOID	
13862	Deborah Banish	1,797.70	13872	SE Water Users	1,745.28
13863	Linde Gas	265.28	13873	SE Water	600.00
13864	NAPA Auto Parts	47.22	13874	Scott Haan	1,187.44
13865	ND One Call	7.50			
13866	ND Sewage Pump/Lift	455.00			

2010 Streets Checking: Stock Growers Bank (Loan interest) \$403.75

Motion carried.

The City Auditor reported one delinquent at this time. The Council stated that if there is no payment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 4.

ATTEST:

Deborah Banish, City Auditor

Michael Mahrer, Mayor