

## **Horace Special City Council Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. Horace City Council Chambers – City Hall, 215 Park Dr E.; Horace, North Dakota

**Attendance:** Mayor Peterson, Councilmember Koerselman, Councilmember Fenelon, Councilmember Johnson, and Councilmember Schmidt.

Absent: None.

1. Call to Order 6:00 pm

2. Declare Quorum | Pledge

## 3. Approve Special Meeting Agenda

Motion: Approve the regular meeting agenda.

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Councilmember Fenelon
2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Councilmember Schmidt
Action taken: All in favor, none opposed.

## 4. Horace – Diversion Authority Cost Share Agreement

**Discussion:** Mr. Shepheard presented a proposed cost share infrastructure agreement between the City of Horace and the Diversion Authority. With this agreement, the Diversion Authority would provide \$5 Million in an infrastructure fund for the City of Horace. Horace will be required to match these funds with either local, state, or federal funds at 80/20. The intention is to leverage State Water Commission funds to bring the total available funds between \$20 Million and \$23 Million. Upon execution or the P3 agreement (which is expected to occur in the fall of 2020), \$2.5 Million of the \$5 Million would be made available to the City of Horace within 30 days. One year later, the remaining \$2.5 Million in funds will be made available to the City of Horace through the infrastructure fund.

Fargo's Mayor Tim Mahoney was present to discuss the agreement from the Diversion Authority's perspective. Additional agreements for other infrastructure improvements (water and sewer services from Fargo, infrastructure improvements from Cass County, purchase of the grain elevator in the City of Horace, etc.) between the City and other entities including Cass County and Fargo. The Diversion Authority approved the proposed infrastructure agreement on Thursday, August 22, 2019 with final wording being worked out with the City and Diversion Authority's attorney.

**Motion:** Approve the proposed infrastructure agreement between the City of Horace and the Diversion Authority, subject to final review by legal counsel.



1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Councilmember Koerselman
2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Councilmember Fenelon
Action taken: All in favor, none opposed.

## 5. Adjourn

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 6:32 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Councilmember Fenelon 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Councilmember Schmidt Action taken: All in favor, none opposed.

Next Meeting is September 3, 2019 at 6:00 pm