

WEEKLY MEMO

Date: August 29, 2014

To: Mayor Lynn Stauss. Council President Craig Buckalew, Council Vice-President Greg Leigh, Council members Clarence Vetter, Dale Helms, Henry Tweten, Mark Olstad, and Chad Grassel.

RE: Weekly Update

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

September 2, 2014 – 5:00 PM – Regular Meeting – Council Chambers

September 9, 2014 – 5:00 PM – Work Session – Training Room

September 16, 2014 – 5:00 PM – Regular Meeting – Council Chambers

September 23, 2014 – 5:00 PM – Work Session – Training Room

Reminder:

Monday, September 1st is Labor Day so City Hall and other offices will be closed. Offices will be open regular hours the rest of the week.

Department Update:

Police Department – Chief Hedlund

Police Auction – The East Grand Forks Police Department is having its annual seized/forfeited vehicle auction starting this week. The vehicles are on display in the Police Department parking lot. The actual auction will take place online at www.govdeals.com. The vehicles are a combination of drug and or DWI seized vehicles that were forfeited to the EGFPD or the Pine to Prairie Drug Task Force and all were in running condition at the time they were seized. The EGFPD is in the process of getting all of the information onto www.govdeals.com and all information should be available by mid-day Friday August 29, 2014. Individual questions may be asked about the vehicles online and PD staff will respond as they are able. Please do not contact the EGFPD by phone or in person to ask questions about any of the vehicles. The vehicles are as is and may NOT be taken for test drives.

The EGFPD will also be auctioning off a large number of bicycles. That information will also be posted on www.govdeals.com at some point in the first week of September 2014.

Agenda Items:

The consent agenda will consist considering the approval to start the hiring process for a Secretary/Dispatcher/Jailer and Police Sergeant promotional process in the Police Department, the purchase of treated lumber and supplies for two outdoor rinks, the repairs for the sprinkler system at the Riverwalk Center, and the approval of the MMUA Safety program.

Item 11 will consider abating special assessments on parcel 83.03603.00 for the amount of \$5,913.06. Please let the Administration Office know if there any questions regarding the figures in this resolution.

Item 12 will consider allowing a reduction in a sewage bill for Little Bangkok.

Item 13 will consider the approval of a joint exercise of peace officer duties agreement between the City and law enforcement agencies in the region in both Minnesota and North Dakota.

Item 14 will consider vacating an alley that was built over when the Riverwalk Center was constructed.

Item 15 will consider approving a final plat of Riverwalk 1st Addition which is a replat of the block the Riverwalk Center is located.

Item 16 will consider rejecting the bids for the 2014 City Project No. 6 – Cemetery Mill and Overlay. The bids came in much higher than expected and would have used up the entire amount that was budgeted for this project before the soft costs were paid for.

Item 17 will consider approving the special event application for the Uff-da Mud Run. At this time the City has received a copy of the insurance but has not received confirmation that Polk County has approved the water permit. If Polk County does not approve the permit, this item will be pulled from the agenda. There is also a request for the council to include a requirement for anyone under 18 to wear a life jacket during all of the river crossing obstacles.

Item 18 will consider setting the preliminary levy and set the budget meeting for the 1st Tuesday in December with a continuation if necessary.