

APPROVED MINUTES

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Carrington was held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 6:30 PM at City Hall. Mayor Thomas Erdmann presiding.

The following members of council and city departments were present: Troy Roundy, Neil Fandrich, Chase Pederson, Al Trader, Doug Smith, Brandon Sola, Jason Wolsky, Karlee Brown, and Jennifer Gast.

Absent: Trygg Olson and Leo Ryan.

Also present: Karen Evans, Rachel Stokes, Travis Dillman, Dave Hilbert, and Steve Attleson.

Mayor Erdmann went through the base bid amounts received at the March 31st bid opening for the Watermain Loop project J21-00126. The base bids have come in higher than engineer estimates and there has been a misunderstanding on the procedures that could be used to install the waterline under the railroad. Further clarification has been received from the railroad. There is a recommendation to reject all bids and re-bid to clear up the misunderstanding of procedure to be used. Travis Dillman, Interstate Engineering, clarified that the method of boring was up to the contractor.

A motion was made by Trader, seconded by Fandrich, to reject all three bids received and clarify the procedure allowed and re-advertise for bids. The following voted in favor: Pederson, Roundy, Fandrich, Trader, and Smith. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Roundy, seconded by Trader, to resolve as a City Council into a Board of Equalization. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Erdmann opened the floor to hear any protests from residents. Seeing no one present, City Assessor and Foster County Tax Equalization Director, Karen Evans, explained the values as presented. Of the 17 notices of increase in real estate assessment, all were due to improvements made. In order for a property owner to receive the notice of increase letter, an increase of \$3,000 AND at least 10% over the prior year's value has to occur.

To begin tax year 2022, the True and full value for residential property for the city of Carrington was \$98,536,500. The True and Full value of residential property in the city of Carrington after the sales ratio study is \$102,967,100. No residential land values were changed.

Karen Evans previously submitted an Assessment Summary for 2022, a True & Full Value report, and the notice of increases and was distributed to the board electronically.

A motion was made by Pederson seconded by Smith, to approve the values as presented. The following voted in favor: Roundy, Fandrich, Trader, Smith, and Pederson. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trader, seconded by Fandrich, to recess as a Board of Equalization and reconvene as a council form of government. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Smith, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Jennifer Gast, City Auditor

Thomas Erdmann, Mayor