

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2012 AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Robin Rayman called the meeting to order with Council Members George Eichacker, Laura Gessner, Ron Mayrose, Doug Mokros and Terry Forster present. Carla Snyders and Lori Miller of the Brickhouse Gardens Inc., Craig Cheeseman and Jeremy Grady were also present. Council member Ben Johnson was absent.

At 7:00 p.m. a public hearing was held on the application of the Brickhouse Gardens Inc. for a new Retail Off-Sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License to operate within the municipality for the licensing period of August 27, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

No written or verbal comments were received.

Motion Mokros, second Gessner, carried, to approve the application of the Brickhouse Gardens Inc. for a new Retail Off-Sale Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License to operate within the municipality for the licensing period of August 27, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

Craig Cheeseman and Jeremy Grady presented the Council (per their request) with a three phase plan on making improvements to the baseball field complex. Phase I is for new dugouts, new backstop and netting, replacement of the right field fence and resetting poles on the left field fence, sod for edging the infield and over seeding. The total cost for the Phase I improvements is estimated to be \$22,400. \$10,000 in funding has been secured and an application for a Legends Grant for the dugouts is being put together; grants are awarded November 3rd.

Discussion was held on the overall plan of the baseball field complex and a grandstand.

The Council thanked Cheeseman and Grady for their presentation.

The remainder of the meeting was used to prepare the preliminary 2013 Appropriation Budget.

Revenues and rates were reviewed on all the funds. Discussion was held on a cost of living increase to the base charges. No action on rate increases was taken.

The total preliminary budget by Fund is:

General Fund, \$969,076.00; Gross Receipt Tax Fund, \$5,390.00; Capital Improvements Fund \$100,000.00; Street Assessment Fund \$60,000.00; Storm Sewer Fund \$10,000; Water Fund \$318,142.00; and Sewer Fund \$130,644.00.

Total preliminary 2013 Appropriation Budget is \$1,593,252.00.

Some items presented and placed in the preliminary budget are new computers and an upgrade in software; maintainer purchase; Burnsite sign; \$13T towards the Phase I improvements to the baseball complex; curb & gutter on the south & east side of the Armory's west parking; Capital Replacement Reserves – \$25T – Main Street Lighting & \$20T – Pool Renovation; Capital Projects - \$100,000 – Dakota Street rebuild (truck route); \$32,000 – two blocks water main replaced on Norton (Hill to Pierce).

Motion Mokros, second Eichacker, carried; to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #593 – an Ordinance establishing the 2013 Appropriation Budget.

Motion Eichacker, second Gessner, carried, to adjourn.

Dated this 27th day of August 2012, at Salem, South Dakota.

Robin Rayman
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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