

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2012 AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Robin Rayman called the meeting to order with Council Members George Eichacker, Laura Gessner, Ben Johnson, Ron Mayrose, Doug Mokros and Terry Forster present.

Mayor Rayman stated the special meeting was called to finalize the 2013 Appropriation Budget; utility rates; and discuss the leasing of the armory offices and buildings.

Discussion was held on the leasing of the Armory offices and buildings. After discussion, it was determined that more research into the cost of other rentals in town would need to be examined and a cost based on sq. foot would be established at a later date. The fire department has first option on the cold storage building.

The remainder of the meeting was spent finalizing the 2013 Appropriation Budget and utility rates. Discussion was held on the operating costs of the water treatment plant; sewer rate requirements for SRF Loans (currently \$22.00); and the current water & sewer rates.

Motion Johnson, second Gessner, to increase the water flat fee by .30 cents and the sewer flat rate by .80 cents. On roll call, five "Aye" (Eichacker, Johnson, Mayrose, Gessner, Mokros). One "Nay" (Forster). Motion carried.

Capital projects in 2013 will be the replacement of water main on Dakota from Norton to Drake; and the installation of curb & gutter on the east and south sides of the armory's west parking lot. New computers in City Hall and the Water Treatment Plant; software updates for the financial, payroll and utility billing software - total cost \$12,500.00. An appropriation of \$13,000.00 for improvements to the baseball field complex, and \$80,000.00 for the purchase of a used maintainer was also placed in the budget.

Future projects discussed: **2014** – Water main replacement on Norton from Hill to Pierce and Street rebuild on Dakota from Norton to Drake. **2015** – Street rebuild on Norton from Hill to Pierce.

Council member Forster left at 7:30 p.m. due to a prior commitment.

Motion Mayrose, second Mokros, carried, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 594, an ordinance revising Water Rates.

Motion Mokros, second Gessner, carried, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 584, an Ordinance revising Sewer Rates.

Motion Gessner, second Mayrose, carried, to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 593, the 2013 Appropriation Ordinance - General Fund \$959,686.00; Sales Tax Fund \$5,390.00; Street Assessment Fund \$60,000.00; Storm Sewer Fund \$10,000.00; Water Fund \$387,497.00; Sewer Fund \$130,644.00.

The Final 2013 Appropriation Budget dedicates \$147,861.00 to the General Fund Capital Replacement Reserve account for the following:

Pool Renovation - \$20,000.00; Street Projects - \$100,000.00; Main Street Lighting Project - \$25,000.00; Sidewalk Projects - \$2,861.00.

The 2013 Budget adds \$5,000.00 dollars into Capital Outlay for city equipment.

Motion Mayrose, second Gessner, carried, to approve the 2013 Tax request of \$289,836.00 for the General Fund and 2013 Street Assessments of \$34,025.15 to be filed with the McCook County Auditor.

Dated this 24th day of September 2012, at Salem, South Dakota.

Robin Rayman
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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