

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE MCCOOK CENTRAL SCHOOL DDN ROOM IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Glenda Blindert called the meeting to order with Council Members Doug Mokros, Ron Mayrose, Marc Harris, Janet Karel and Dnyee Schierholz present. Public Works Supervisor Dustin Weber; Jacob Morris and Trent Bruse of DGR Engineering; and Wayne Hubbard were also present. Council member Mitchell Rayman was absent.

Motions made were unanimous of Council members present unless roll call identifies otherwise.

Declaration of conflicts: None

Motion Harris, second Schierholz, carried, to approve the agenda.

Wayne Hubbard was present for public comment (SDCL 1-12.1).

Hubbard asked for an extension on the property cleanup of 130 E Vermont Ave. Hubbard said he needed through Friday, April 12, 2024, to finish.

Consensus of the Council is to allow Mr. Hubbard the additional time requested.

Motion Mokros, second Harris, carried, to approve following consent agenda items:

- The minutes of March 5, 2024: Public Hearing & Regular; March 19th Equalization & Special Meeting minutes as written.
- Finance report stating a balance of \$9,180,113.96 for all funds and includes all investments and cash on hand; sewer pumpage of 7,110,000 gallons; water pumpage of 2,022,000 gallons; and the bacteriology report is satisfactory.
- The police report filed by the McCook County Sheriff Department.
- Claims list dated April 9, 2024.

Payroll: Mayor/Council \$1014.98; Finance Office \$11152.02; Streets \$6843.29; Snow \$140.77; Restricted-Use Site \$1096.86; Regulation & Inspection \$372.15; Park \$3007.85; Water \$7558.18; Sewer \$2871.60; Payroll Taxes \$2500.41; City Share: Health \$6283.80; Dental \$155.76; Aflac \$98.84; Life \$54.75; Retirement \$1982.57.

Claims:

VENOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Avera Occupational Medicine	Random Drug Test	120.00
Benco Equipment- Sioux Falls	WTP Shop- Air Compressor	3,272.90
Central Farmers Co-Op	Diesel; DEF, Oil, Tire Repair	848.49
Century Business Products	Copier Contract	103.04
Cintas Corporation No. 2	Rug Service	68.95
Consolidated Water Solutions	WTP Filters	1,432.75
Core & Main LP	Distribution Supplies	1,033.57
DGR Engineering	Engr Services: Water Study/Projects	107,123.50
E.H. WACHS	U5 Vac/Valve Trailer	84,838.95
Engineering & Technical	Nuisance BLDG Inspections (2) 200 N	
Gene Sandine	Main/ Gain Elevator	8,000.00
	Snow Hauling Contract	450.00

Grainger Inc	Vac Trailer Set Up	689.07
Hawkins Inc	WTP Chemicals	2,103.53
Heartland Enviro Distributors	Sewer Chemicals	1,181.75
I & S Group, Inc	CHall/ Community Center	4,550.00
Infotech Solutions LLC	Computer Maintenance	1,212.98
McCook County Auditor	Law Agreement	8,168.00
MidAmerican Energy Co	Utilities	351.34
Morgan Theeler Llp	Attorney Fees	4,721.16
New Century Press Inc	March Publications	1,117.89
Peterson Repair	Water F150 Tires	1,109.04
Petty Cash Finance Officer	Postage & Trailer Plate	130.01
Pulse Electric Inc	PWBLDG Hoist Electrical Connection	722.04
Puthoff Sales & Service, Inc.	Parks- Mower Oil/Filters	83.73
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies PW- Office Chair	297.30
RBS Sanitation Inc	Garbage Contract	9,192.75
Ronald L Schnider	Snow: Windshield/Mirror Replacement	510.35
Salem Lumber Co	Water- Cement Drill Bit & Rubble Site Bldg	1,558.18
Salem Water Works	Utilities	422.62
Sd Public Health Laboratory	WA/SE Testing Fees	192.00
South Dakota One Call	Locates	33.60
Southeastern Electric	Utilities	141.64
Sturdevant's Auto Value Salem	Street- supplies	99.96
Total Stop	Fuel Purchase	306.06
Triotel Communications Inc	Utilities	254.38
Us Postmaster	Postage UB Bills	954.00
Xcel Energy	Utilities	6,772.15
Zapp Hardware	Supplies and Rubble site: Generator/AC	955.34
CARDMEMBER SERVICES - CREDIT CARD PURCHASES		
Lori Heumiller	USPS: Personalized/Stamped Envelopes	1,239.05
Lori Heumiller	SD GEOD: Conference Registration	200.00
Lori Heumiller	SDML: District III Meeting Registration (2)	64.00
Lori Heumiller	AED Superstore: AED Cabinet	290.00
Other Revenue:	Cash Credit Applied to bill	(289.47)
Dustin Weber	Northern Tool: Auto Lift/Welding Helmet	3,747.75
CLAIMS PRE-APPROVED:		
Verizon Wireless	Utilities	268.56
ACH		
SD Unemployment Insurance	1st QTR Unemployment	220.75
US Bank	DW & CW SRF Bond Payments	41,180.91
State Of South Dakota	Sales Tax Collected March	685.66

PW Supervisor Weber presented the following items:

- Meter/MXU replacement discussion. The Meter's & MXU's installed between 2004 and 2010 were discussed due to reaching end of their useful life. There are 670 meters and

MXU's and the current cost to replace is \$165.00 per meter and per MXU. A replacement timeline will be discussed at budget time.

- The 2023 Water Quality Report was published in The Special, posted on the city's website and is available upon request. The report will not be mailed.
- PFAS Class Action suit: Discussion to do baseline testing or opt out of lawsuit. The cost is \$550 per water source through SD Rural Water.
- Meter for hydrant for projects - \$1500.00 (meter setup to mount hydrant).

Motion Mokros, second Mayrose, carried, to proceed with PFAS testing.

Motion Mokros, second Karel, carried, to purchase a hydrant meter from Core & Main at a cost of \$1,500.00.

DGR - ENGINEER REPORT:

Industrial Area Project: Project has started and recommending approval of the GeoTek Contract for project testing services.

Phase II Street & Utility Project: Design is 75% complete, DANR will need to approve plans prior to bidding.

Shared Use Path: DGR will visit with abutting property owners.

2024 Street Project: Locations were presented to the Council.

The 2024 Street Project locations for curb/gutter & street repairs are on North Main Street; Peck Street between Vermont and Norton; and Minnesota between Vermont and Norton.

Armory Tract Boundary Survey: It was determined that the entire area – Armory Tract 1, vacated Peck Street and Armory Tract #2 and 2B and vacated Jefferson Ave should be platted, and Jefferson Ave from Peck Street East to the city limits should be vacated and an easement discussed with McCook Central School.

Motion Mokros, second Harris, carried, to approve the contract with GeoTek for the Industrial Project testing services at a cost not to exceed \$34,750.00.

BUILDING PROJECTS

City Hall/Community Center: Groundbreaking April 10th 3:30 p.m./April 15th start.

CITY ATTORNEY: (Nuisances)

200 E Vermont Ave – Nuisance repair extension request tabled on March 5th.

Motion Harris, second Schierholz, carried, to deny the 4-year extension on painting the house and garage and allow property owner until September 1, 2024, to complete the painting.

Executive Session: was not entered.

200 N Main Street Building discussion.

Motion Karel, second Mokros, carried, to declare an emergency on the 200 N Main Street building demo, as the structural engineer has deemed the structure unsafe. Once the City has ownership of

the building (\$4,765.00 in taxes will need to be paid), quotes to remove the structure will be sought out and the building removed as soon as feasible.

SEDC update: Mayor Blindert stated the nursing home property should be cleaned up and hole filled by the end of April.

Committee Reports: None.

Motion Harris, second Schierholz, carried, to approve Resolution 2024-05 – a resolution in support of the Regional Safety Plan.

Motion Mayrose, second Harris, carried, to renew the Dearborn Life Insurance Polity (no change).

Request for a fiber optics line into softball concessions. More information is needed prior to the Council deciding.

No applications were received for the Field Maintenance position. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

A revised Salem Swimming Pool & Personnel Handbook update presented. The council will review prior to approval at their May 6th meeting.

Motion Mayrose, second Karel, carried, to accept donation of Matt Alley's coaching salary to the Baseball Fencing project.

Thank you to Avera for the Avera Community Partnership Grant of \$1000.00 to put towards the cost of the Athletic Flooring in the Community Center.

The June 11th meeting date will be moved to Wednesday, June 5, 2024, due to conflicts.

Variance procedure discussion was held.

Finance Officer Heumiller stated there will be no city election.

The following petitions were filed unopposed:

2-year term:

Mayor: Glenda Blindert

Aldermen:

Ward I – Marc Harris

Ward III – Dnyee Schierholz

No Petition was filed for the following position:

Ward II – Doug Mokros

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 7, 2024.

Motion Mokros, second Karel, carried, to adjourn at 7:40 PM.

Dated this 9th day of April 2024, at Salem, South Dakota.

(SEAL)

Glenda Blindert
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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