

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE BLINDERT INSURANCE CONFERENCE ROOM IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Glenda Blindert called the meeting to order with Council Members Doug Mokros (arrived at 6:05 p.m.), Ron Mayrose, Mitchell Rayman, Marc Harris, Janet Karel and Dnyee Schierholz present. Jacob Morris of DGR Engineering was also present via phone.

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

Declaration of conflicts: None.

Motion Rayman, second Mayrose, carried, to approve the agenda.

No one was present for public comment (SDCL 1-12.1).

PROJECTS

Phase II Street & Utility Project: Morris reviewed the bids received on Wednesday, December 4, 2024; the project funding shortfalls and project scope modifications via change order and/or allocation of additional funds by the City of Salem.

Project Letting: Wednesday, November 4, 2024 – 2:00 p.m.

Hulstein Excavating, Edgerton, MN -	\$5,095,787.68
BX Civil & Construction, Dell Rapids, SD	\$4,647,000.00
ASCO, Sioux Falls, SD	\$5,051,214.55
Metro Construction, Tea, SD	\$5,220,370.21
T&R Contracting Inc., Sioux Falls, SD	\$4,518,675.00
Timmons Construction Inc., Brookings, SD	\$4,539,090.17

Motion Harris, second Rayman, carried, to award the Phase II Street & Utility Improvements Project to the low bidder: T&R Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$4,518,675.00.

Industrial Area Project: No Action

Phase II Trail Project: Morris updated the Council on the removal of approaches adjacent but not part of the trail system to keep the project within budget. The council agreed with this decision.

200 N Main Street DEMO: Heumiller stated SHPO has approved the city moving forward with demo; letter to SHPO was presented to Council with the confirmation of the necessity to proceed, with the realization that one of the three buildings in the Salem Historical District would be removed which may cause the removal of the Salem Historical District from the federal registry (normally requires 10+ buildings to have a historic district).

Advertisement of bids on January 2, 2025, bid opening on February 4th; bid award February 11th.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion Mokros, second Karel, to authorize the Mayor and Finance Officer to approve the 2025 contract with Sioux Falls Human Society after the questions on the Sioux Falls Area Humane Society have been answered.

Motion Mayrose, second Mokros, carried, to approve Resolution 2024-16: Resolution setting 2025 Fees.

Mayor Blindert stated property and liability Insurance has been bound with Travelers. There are some details to work through and decisions to be made due to the high deductible (\$100,000 per premise).

Motion Harris, second Rayman, carried, to adjourn at 7:10 PM.

Dated this 23rd day of December 2024 at Salem, South Dakota.

(SEAL)

Glenda Blindert
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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