

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE MCCOOK CENTRAL SCHOOL DDN ROOM IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Glenda Blindert called the meeting to order with Council Members Doug Mokros, Ron Mayrose, Mitchell Rayman (arrived at 6:10 p.m.), Marc Harris, Janet Karel and Dnyee Schierholz present. Jacob Morris of DGR Engineering; and Chris Fields (SEDC) were also present. Motions made were unanimous of Council members present unless roll call identifies otherwise.

Declaration of conflicts: None

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

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

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

- The minutes of September 10, 2024, and September 24, 2024, as written.
- Finance report stating a balance of \$8,317,394.64 for all funds and includes all investments and cash on hand; sewer pumpage of 8,460,000 gallons; water pumpage of 4,200,000 gallons; and the bacteriology report is satisfactory.
- The police report filed by the McCook County Sheriff Department.
- Claims list dated October 8, 2024.

Payroll: Mayor/Council \$1529.98; Finance Office \$6564.17; Streets \$3760.47; Restricted-Use Site \$1625.85; Regulation & Inspection \$46.58; Mosquito \$726.53; Park \$2654.11; Storm Sewer \$152.72; Water \$5070.76; Sewer \$2427.40; Payroll Taxes \$1773.74; City Share: Health \$6283.80; Dental \$155.76; Aflac \$98.84; Life \$54.75; Retirement \$1319.31.

Claims:

| VENOR | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Batteries Plus #075 | Batteries WTP | 150.90 |
| Central Farmers Co-Op | Diesel Fuel | 88.06 |
| Century Business Products | Copier Maintenance/Doc Man. Contracts | 228.58 |
| Cintas Corporation No. 2 | Rug Services | 68.95 |
| Consolidated Water Solutions | Water Plant Filters | 2,462.66 |
| Core & Main LP | Distribution Supplies | 794.91 |
| DGR Engineering | Engr Serv: Ind Area Project | 45,990.99 |
| DGR Engineering | Engr Serv: Slurry Seal | 678.00 |
| DGR Engineering | Engr Serv: Streets | 1,040.00 |
| DGR Engineering | Engr Serv: WTP Support | 2,020.00 |
| DGR Engineering | Engr Serv: Sanitary Cleaning | 162.00 |
| Ellis, Debra | Summer Rec Refund | 65.00 |
| G & M Services, LLC | Asbestos Removal | 8,981.75 |
| GeoTek Engineering & Testing | Testing Fees | 346.50 |
| Hawkins Inc | WTP Chemicals | 5,632.84 |
| I & S Group, Inc | Construction Adm: City Hall/Comm CTR | 2,060.00 |
| Indelco Plastics Corporation | WTP: Supplies | 296.60 |
| Infotech Solutions LLC | Computer Security/Maint contra | 1,233.00 |
| McCook County Auditor | Law Agreement | 8,168.00 |

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| MidAmerican Energy Co | Utilities | 29.20 |
| Miles, Megan | Refund Summer Rec | 35.00 |
| New Century Press Inc | Sept Publications | 357.42 |
| Puthoff Sales & Service, Inc. | Grasshopper Mower Supplies | 187.31 |
| RBS Sanitation Inc | Garbage Contract | 8,825.04 |
| Salem Community Library | Library Books | 600.00 |
| Salem Lumber Co | Rubble Shed Paint/ Park Spply | 116.68 |
| Salem Water Works | Utilities- Softball Field | 1,144.15 |
| Sd Public Health Laboratory | Water Testing Fees | 212.00 |
| South Dakota One Call | Locates | 54.60 |
| Southeastern Electric | Utilities | 203.84 |
| Sturdevant's Auto Value Salem | Supplies: Streets&Lagoons | 133.52 |
| Total Stop | Fuel Purchases | 424.80 |
| Triotel Communications Inc | Utilities | 238.76 |
| Xcel Energy | Utilities | 8,550.34 |
| CARDMEMBER SERVICES - CREDIT CARD PURCHASES | | |
| USPS | UB Bills Postage | 168.00 |
| Americinn - Aberdeen | Brian - Mosquito Conference | 109.00 |
| Zapp Hardware | Pipe Fittings WTP | 14.04 |
| CLAIMS PRE-APPROVED: | | |
| Verizon Wireless | Utilities | 128.73 |
| ACH | | |
| SD Unemployment | 3rd QTR Unemployment | 119.96 |
| US Bank | DW SRF Bond Payment | 23,196.98 |
| State of South Dakota | Sales Tax Collected September 2023 | 668.01 |

Discussion on street closure for St. Mary's Bazaar on October 27, 2024: Idaho between Vermont & Essex Ave.

Motion Harris, second Karel, carried, to approve the closure of Idaho between Vermont & Essex on October 27, 2024, for the St. Mary's Bazaar.

Engineer Report: Jacob Morris was present.

Industrial Area Project:

Recommends approval of Pay Request #6 from T&R Contracting Inc for work to date in the amount of \$973,080.10.

2024 Street Project:

Recommends approval of Pay Request #2 from Twedt Construction for work to date \$49,318.68 – contingent on signed copy.

Phase II Street & Utility Improvement Project: Easements wrapping up and anticipating a bid opening the first week of December 2024.

Water Treatment Plant Update: Morris shared that Adam Norman of DGR performed well tests which found the well behind city hall with high iron levels. These higher levels are causing the use of more filters and filter bags to remove the iron. More discussion at the November 5th meeting with cost estimates for a water source project. Mayor shared possible Emergency Funding for Water through USDA. Heumiller is awaiting an email from the program administrator.

Flood Mitigation Discussion/Update. Cost benefit analysis is still in progress; the application deadline has been moved to May 2025.

Motion Mayrose, second Harris, carried, to approve Industrial Area Project Pay Request #6 from T&R Contracting Inc for work to date in the amount of \$973,080.10.

Motion Mokros, second Karel, carried, to approve 2024 Street Project Pay Request #2 from Twedt Construction for work to date \$49,318.68 – contingent on signed copy.

Motion Mokros, second Rayman, carried, to approve City Hall Community Center Project Pay Request #6 from McGough Construction for work to date \$442,106.51.

200 N Main Street Demo Project: Heumiller stated asbestos has been removed and waiting on GeoTek to provide bid specifications on the Demo. Asking Council to allow the Mayor and Finance Officer to approve the specifications so the Demo can be bid out.

Motion Rayman, second Mokros, carried, to allow the Mayor and Finance Officer to approve the demo specifications and start the bidding process.

Chris Fields provided an update on SEDC. Lots 2-4 were sold in the housing development and the contractor started cutting streets and moving dirt in the development.

Committee reports.

Motion Mokros, second Karel, to approve Second Reading & Adoption of Ordinance No. 679 – An Ordinance revising the fireworks/firearms sections. On roll call four “4” “Aye” (Mokros, Mayrose, Rayman, Karel); two “2” “Nay” (Harris, Schierholz). Motion carried.

Motion Karel, second Rayman, carried, to approve Resolution 2024-13 – Special Assessment Roll – 2022 Street Improvements with the removal of 15 SY from Keith & Dawn Reif’s Assessment as this item was removed from the project scope.

Xcel Energy is asking for an easement at the city sewer facility. Xcel plans to build a temporary underground line from the city’s overhead line on the east side of the property to the new concrete plant to the east. This underground feeder will consist of three 1/0 primary conductors. It will not be permanent, as Xcel will eventually feed this service from the future street that is part of industrial development.

Motion Harris, second Schierholz, carried, to approve the easement request from Xcel Energy at the city sewer facility.

Motion Rayman, second Harris, carried, to approve Delta Dental 2025 Rates: Family \$122.20; Single \$48.20 (monthly).

Committee established for renewal of Health Insurance: Karel, Schierholz and Blindert.

Motion Karel, second Rayman, carried, to approve Sean Edwards as a new member of the SVFD on 9/16/2024.

Heumiller reviewed the June 30th Hail Damage Report and informed the Council CWG will not be renewing the city's property coverage. Kundert Williams is seeking out other companies for this coverage.

Estimated cost of roof repairs: \$376,019.79. There are \$65,000 in deductibles; \$263,296.18 will be paid if roofs are replaced. The roofs were all Actual Cash Value and loss based on age of roof. Estimated cost to the city is \$112,723.61. Consensus of the Council is to move forward with replacing the roofs affected. Heumiller will determine if the project will need to be bid out.

At 7:00 p.m. a public hearing was held to consider the assessments for the abatement of nuisances and non-payment of fees in the City of Salem for FY2024. No one was present for the hearing.

Motion Rayman, second Mokros, carried, to approve the following assessment for the abatement of nuisances in the City of Salem for FY2024 to be filed with the McCook County Auditor if not paid on or before October 30, 2024.

| INVOICE # | NAME | ADDRESS | PARCEL # | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------|
| 2024-N2 | Kallene Freeborn | 530 N Minnesota St | 17.12.4705 | SNOW REMOVAL | 142.50 |
| 2024-N6 | David & Christina Knorr | 310 E Washington | 17.12.4711 | SNOW REMOVAL | 142.50 |
| 2024-N4 | Larson, Ethel J Trust | 130 E Vermont Ave | 17.00.2004 | SNOW REMOVAL | 142.50 |
| 2024-N3 | Mike Karel | 240 E Vermont Ave | 17.00.2104 | SNOW REMOVAL | 142.50 |
| 2024-N8 | Dennis & Shawna Simmons | 351 S MAIN ST | 17.18.0909 | Property Cleanup Mowing | 650.00 |
| 2024-N9 | Cody Block | 201 S Main | 17.18.0811 | Property Cleanup Mowing | 650.00 |
| 2024-N10 | Cody Block | 211 S Main | 17.18.0809 | Property Cleanup Mowing | 650.00 |

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 5, 2024.

Motion Rayman, second Mokros, carried, to adjourn at 7:03 PM.

Dated this 8th day of October 2024, at Salem, South Dakota.

(SEAL)

Glenda Blindert
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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