

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2011 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 12/12/11. The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ronald H Pringle. Answering roll call was Bob Anderson, George Guentner, Zach Guentner, Phil Heiberger, Caron Neumann and Mayor Pringle. Absent: Verlyn Hudson. Others present: Finance Officer - Joan Julson, Sandi Tschetter, Sheriff Mark Norris, Jerry Paweltzki, Ed Meyer, Attorney Mike Fink, Luke & Dorothy Olson, Evelyn Hofer, and Vern Arens – Arens Engineering.

The minutes of the November 7th regular meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by G Guentner, second by Z Guentner to approve the minutes of the November 7th regular meeting. Motion carried.

The November Financial statement was sent out to the council for reviewing prior to the meeting. After discussion a motion was made by G Guentner, second by Anderson to approve the November Financial Statement. Motion carried. Motion by Heiberger, second by Anderson to approve Resolution 11-1212C – Contingency Transfer. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

*City of Bridgewater
Resolution #11-1212C*

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTINGENCY TRANSFER

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bridgewater City Council authorizes the following transfer in the General Fund of \$1000.00 from Contingency with \$1000.00 going to Parks to finance the additional expenses incurred during the year.

Dated this 12th day of December, 2011.

Resolution passed: 5 votes in favor; 0 votes opposed.

Ronald H Pringle - Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M Julson
Finance Officer
(SEAL)

The bills for the month of November were reviewed. After discussion a motion was made by G Guentner, second by Heiberger to approve the November bills. Motion carried.

Vern Arens of Arens Engineering was here to set bid opening for the Bridgewater 2012 Main Street Sanitary Sewer Project. Final completion date would be August 10, 2012. Motion by Heiberger, seconded by Z Guentner to set January 9th, 2012 at 7:30 pm for the bid opening for the Bridgewater 2012 Main Street Sanitary Sewer Project. Motion carried.

Attorney Mike Fink went over the updated animal control services contract with Sioux Falls Area Humane Society with the council. Motion by G Guentner, seconded by Heiberger to accept and sign the Animal Control Services agreement with the Sioux Falls Area Humane Society. Motion carried.

At 7:15, no bids were received for the surplus tractor with sweeper attachment. Council decided to readdress this surplus tractor with sweeper attachment this spring.

Attorney Mike Fink & Ed Meyer discussed with the council the donation of “Sparky Park” to the city. Attorney Fink indicated that the liens related to the “Sparky Park” property appear to have been satisfied in approximately 2009. And since 22 years have passed since the tax proceedings related to the parcel, he advised the city that they could acquire the property by “Quit Claim Deed” as McCook County Abstract did perform a Title search in 2005 on this property. Paper work will be drawn up for the January meeting.

Council discussed with Attorney Fink and Sheriff Norris the enforcing of our ordinances. In particular, semi trucks and dog issues were addressed. Council decided to each look at the truck ordinances and bond schedule and bring to the next meeting their ideas on changes needing to be done. Attorney Fink will be here also.

Public Input:

- Sandi Tschetter asked about whether the city would have a place to park semi trucks. Council doesn't feel it's the city's problem to provide a place for semi trucks to park. It's their duty to find their own place to park especially in the winter when they may need to be plugged in.

Written maintenance report by Todd Letcher included:

- Cleaning up trees out at the city park
- Worked on Poplar down by 9th street

At 8:00 pm a motion was made by G Guenther, seconded by Z Guentner to recess the City Council and reconvene as Board of Adjustment. Motion carried. Luke and Dorothy Olson are requesting a Conditional Use Permit (#033) for agricultural activities – the management of poultry at their residential address of 331 N Minnesota Ave. After discussion, a motion was made by G Guentner, seconded by Heiberger to grant a 60 day Conditional Use Permit subject to review in 60 days to see if there are any complaints. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Permit will be reviewed in 60 days. Motion by Z Guentner, seconded by Heiberger to adjourn as Board of Adjustment at 8:05 pm. Motion carried.

Old Business/Committee Reports

Water & Sewer:

- 1st reading of Ordinance 2012-1 – Changing late fee was done.

Contracted Law Enforcement: monthly report was noted. Sheriff Norris was here to answer any questions.

New Business:

Motion by G Guentner, seconded by Anderson to approve Resolution 11-1212A – City Attorney Agreement for 2012. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-1212A
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRIDGEWATER,
TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR CITY ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgewater desires to retain counsel to serve as City Attorney for the calendar year 2012; and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Fink Law Office, P.C. has proposed to perform such services as are set forth in the attached Agreement With City Attorney;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City shall be authorized to enter into a contract with Fink Law Office, P.C., in the form attached hereto, all pursuant to Section 1.0101 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Bridgewater South Dakota.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of December, 2011, by the City Council of the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota by the following vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

*City of Bridgewater
By: Ronald H Pringle
Its Mayor*

ATTEST:

*Joan M Julson
City Finance Officer
(SEAL)*

Motion by G Guentner, seconded by Heiberger to approve Resolution 11-1212B. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**CITY OF BRIDGEWATER
RESOLUTION NO. 11-1212B**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEWATER APPROVING THE
PLAT OF LOTS A & B IN TRACT 1 OF HOFER'S ADDITION, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION
19, TOWNSHIP 101 NORTH, RANGE 55 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MCCOOK COUNTY,
SOUTH DAKOTA**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEWATER, SOUTH DAKOTA, that the Plat known and described as Lots A & B in Tract 1 of Hofer's Addition in the Northwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 101 North, Range 55 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, McCook County, South Dakota. Lying within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota, is hereby approved and the City Finance Officer of the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota, is hereby directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same thereon.

Adopted this 12th day of December, 2011.

5 votes in favor

0 votes opposed

1 Absent

**CITY OF BRIDGEWATER
By: Ronald H Pringle, Mayor**

ATTEST:

By: *Joan M Julson*
Finance Officer
(SEAL)

Motion by G Guenther, seconded by Z Guenther to set aside in reserves - \$500 to sewer repair & maintenance, \$5000 in ambulance, and \$1000 for firetruck. Motion carried.

Council Ok'd vacation on February 13th – 17th for finance officer.

Motion by Z Guenther, second by G Guenther to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:20 pm.

Ronald H Pringle - Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

November bills to be paid in December:

Salaries (Gross): Joan M. Julson, 2242.59; Todd Letcher-includes 1hr OT, 2642.34; Ambulance Payroll, 2942.00;

EFTPS-November payroll taxes, 1856.02, SDRS-retirement, 293.10.

Supplies: Danko Emergency Equip.–hose for fire dept, 99.00; Fensel's–gas blower, 124.99; Freeman Lumber–supply, 26.95; M/S Pump-N-Stuff –gas, 83.39; Meyer Motor–2 amb batteries & install, 445.95; Moore Medical–Head immobilizers & electrodes, 157.22; Potter's Tire & Service–gas, diesel, 421.81; Richards, Anne–computer cord, 10.50; Schwans Market, 203.35; SD Federal Property Agency–mostly shop tools, 268.00; Schmidt Country Inc–Stihl chain saw, 551.01; Sturdevants–parts & shop supply, 218.41; Tractor Salvage & Welding–6 scairifier tips, 102.00; United Energy–city hall fuel oil, 261.37.

Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking–Nov. work on Poplar Ave & 3rd St, 1127.50; Benders–clean sludge from lagoon inlet, 527.50; Dakota Pump Inc–lagoon pump repair, 1041.55; Donovan Refrigeration Inc–bar walkin cooler repair, 466.66; KW Electric–firehall outside light replace, 1326.87; SF Two Way Radio Svc. Inc–pager programming, 25.00.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in November) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1867.70; Dakota Beverage, 653.90; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 265.88; Republic National Distributing Co, 872.85.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Copier Maintenance contract, 38.80; Addy Disposal–dumpsters, 40.00; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–November publishing, 329.08; ICAP – return of water deposit balance, 22.04; Lacey, Leigh–return of city hall rent deposit (not using), 200.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Nordwald Rentals–January rent (Payable 1/1/12), 350.00; Petty Cash–mostly postage, 17.71; Rural Medical Clinic–amb personnel flu shot, 24.00; Safar, Shelley–return of cleaning deposit, 150.00; SD Dept of Revenue–water testing, 12.00; SD Municipal League–election workshop fee, 20.00; SD State Treasurer–November garbage, etc. sales tax, 212.02.

Utilities (Paid in November): Addy Disposal, 3478.00; Golden West, 239.67; Hanson Rural Water, 3101.10; Xcel Energy, 1421.01.

Insurance: AFLAC–reimbursed by employees, 379.45; Health Pool of SD, 2862.54; SD Municipal League–2012 Work Comp renewal, 2243.00.

Professional: Fink Law Office PC- November statement, 362.89.

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