

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2012 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 04/11/12. The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ronald H Pringle. Answering roll call was Bob Anderson, George Guenther, Zach Guenther, Verlyn Hudson, Caron Neumann, and Mayor Pringle. Absent: Phil Heiberger. Others present: Finance Officer - Joan Julson, Maintenance - Todd Letcher, Jerry Paweltzki, and Sandi Tschetter.

The minutes of the March 5th regular meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by G. Guentner, second by Z. Guentner to approve the March 5th regular meeting. Motion carried.

The March 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 Neumann to approve the March Financial Statement. Motion carried.

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

Todd Letcher gave his maintenance report

- Mowing, working on trees, installed new park bench at city park, took out old rotted picnic shelter.
- Doing gravel work on Poplar Ave
- Talked about looking into trash pump for lagoon to help in dispersing solids
- Summer help needed for mowing etc. Finance Officer instructed to advertise for help. Letters of Application from prospective part-time employee will be discussed & hired at the May meeting with the new council.
- Anne Richards talked to him about the need for new ambulance pagers and a couple of portable radios for those that live out a little farther as they need to be narrow band now

Public Input:

- Jerry Paweltzki asked about the sewer line that he would be putting in to his building along Hwy 262. Ordinances state that the property owner is responsible for the cost from the sewer main to his building.

Old Business/Committee Reports

Ambulance: Motion by Anderson, seconded by G Guentner that with the change to narrow band to allow the ambulance to purchase 10 pagers and 2 portable radios. Motion carried.

Streets & Alleys: Council looked at the bid proposal for street oiling from the Parker bid letting. The 2 bidders were Road Guy at \$1.128 and Topkote at \$1.146. City of Parker informed the council that Road Guy Construction Co of Yankton received the street oiling bid.

Water & Sewer/Sewer Project: Council was given copies of the March 28th Preconstruction Conference report. A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Z Guentner to have the Mayor sign the "Notice to Proceed" for the 2012 Main Street Sanitary Sewer Project. Motion carried.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: The walk-in cooler at the bar was discussed.

According to the SD Dept of Revenue & Regulation, public hearings are not required anymore for renewals of malt beverage licenses, unless the council elects to still advertise and hold a public hearing. The council has decided that we will not be advertising for the public hearing and will be approving the malt beverage license renewals at the May meeting.

Fire: It was found out that the propane tanks are owned by CHS, Inc.

Contracted Law Enforcement: monthly report was noted. .

Parks & Recreation: We received one application for the Summer Rec Activity Director. Motion by G Guentner, second by Z Guentner to hire Natasha Letcher as Summer Rec Activity Director with pay to be set at May meeting. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement: Several dog issues were addressed. Sheriff Dept will be notified to check these issues out.

New Business:

Ken Haugen would like the council to look at some aerial pictures of the city. Council expressed that they were not interested in purchasing these particular pictures as too much of the town was missing.

Motion by G Guenther, seconded by Z Guenther to allow the Finance Officer to attend Finance Officers School in Huron on June 13-15. Motion carried.

The official canvass of the election results was done. The results of the election for Councilperson – Ward I were as follows: Christine Duerksen – 16 votes and Jerry Paweltzki – 37 votes. Motion by G Guenther, second by Hudson to approve the results of the official canvas. Roll call vote: all present voted aye. Motion carried. Oaths of Office will be taken at the May meeting.

Motion by G Guenther, second by Anderson to approve building permits for James McCormick, Marlan Bintliff and Zion Mennonite Church. Motion carried. Loren Golder was unable to make the meeting but talked with several council members asking for a variance hearing for garages on his property. Public Hearing will be held at the May meeting.

Motion by G Guenther, second by Neumann to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 7:56 pm.

Ronald H Pringle - Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

March bills to be paid in April:

Salaries (Gross): Joan M. Julson, 1985.51; Todd Letcher-includes 1¼ hr OT, 2408.97; Ambulance Payroll, 3566.00; EFTPS-March payroll taxes, 1330.70; SDRS-Employee payment & city match of retirement, 527.32.

Supplies: Best Buy – Shop HP laptop computer, 2010 Microsoft Office & printer ink, 593.97; Farmers Alliance – shop propane & city/legion hall fuel oil, 2128.15; HD Supply Waterworks–water main supply, 171.63; Heritage Pharmacy–FO supply, 2.89; M/S Pump-N-Stuff – gas, 97.97; MARC – mostly lagoon chemical, 1471.50; Mac’s – shop supply, 31.80; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc–shop welding rods, 47.21; McLeod’s–election supply, 6.45; Meyer Motor LLC–truck parts, 14.39; Moore Medical–amb supply, 140.92; Potter’s Tire & Service–gas, diesel, 704.70; SD Federal Surplus–shop supply, 247.50; Sturdevants–supply, 24.88

Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking-6 semi loads of gravel from Parker, 1847.52; Bender’s–clean sewer line & manhole at 8th & Main, 550.00; Donovan Refrigeration Inc–central AC & walk-in cooler repair in bar, 638.26.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in March) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1470.45; Dakota Beverage, 1353.40; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 342.41; Republic National Distributing Co, 561.78.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc-Copier Maintenance contract, 38.80; Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Banyon Data Systems, Inc-WinFund Support, 770.00; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–March publishing, 441.36; City of Parker-admin fee for street oiling bid, 30.00; First National Bank in SF–SRF loan, 5482.80; Heiman, Kathleen–election official, 125.00; Hofer, Evelyn J–election official, 125.00; Nordwald Rentals–May rent (Payable 5/1/12), 350.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Medicare Part B–mileage overpay, 155.98; Paweltzki, Jerry-donation for Sparky Anderson sign at ballfield, 150.00; Petty Cash–postage, 20.95; Schroeder, Carolyn–election official, 125.00; SD Dept of Revenue–water testing, 13.00; SD One Call–7 fax locates, 7.77; SD State Treasurer–March garbage, etc. sales tax, 201.52.

Utilities (Paid in March): Addy Disposal, 3330.00; Golden West, 222.64; Hanson Rural Water, 2755.50; Xcel Energy, 1671.73; United Energy-firehall propane, 1188.00.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 379.45; CNA Surety-Public Officials Bond, 567.50; Health Pool of SD, 2862.54;

Professional: Arens Engineering-Preconstruction meeting, contract documents, shop drawing review, 1031.00; Fink Law Office PC- March statement, 58.45.

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