

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2012 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 09/10/12. The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ronald H Pringle. Answering roll call was Bob Anderson (arrived 7:03), George Guenther, Phil Heiberger, Caron Neumann, Jerry Paweltzki, and Mayor Pringle. Absent were Zach Guenther. Others present: Finance Officer - Joan Julson, Maintenance – Todd Letcher, Sandi Tschetter, Craig Golder, Carol Mehlbrech, and Sheriff Norris.

The minutes of the August 6th regular meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by G. Guenther, second by Neumann to approve the minutes of the August 6th regular meeting. Motion carried.

The August Financial statement was sent out to the council for reviewing prior to the meeting. After discussion, a motion was made by Paweltzki, second by Neumann to approve the August Financial Statement. Motion carried.

First reading was done for Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance A-90.

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

Maintenance Report:

- The water line going into the Golden West building (422 E 3rd St) has been freezing in the winter. It is found to be too shallow. Council instructed to talk with Golden West to see if we lower our end of the water line what they plan to do with their end (curb stop to the bldg.). Council feels that we have no choice but to fix this.
- Checked out dust control for the south end of Main Ave and Poplar Ave. Cost to have it done was around \$3900. After discussion, council instructed to find out about getting the product and putting on ourselves.
- We have too many trees hanging out and over into the street hampering snow removal. The need for a telescopic tree trimmer was discussed. Motion by G Guenther, second by Anderson to purchase a Stihl HT 131 telescopic tree trimmer for around \$649. Motion carried.
- Someone will be coming to check out our spraying equipment for spraying for mosquitos.

Public Input:

- Craig Golder addressed the council with his concern about the drainage on 3rd street in his area and the speeding traffic on that road. (It was noted that the maximum speed limit is only 20 mph in city limits unless posted differently.) He also commented that some type of dust control would be nice for the road by him also. Council informed him that the speeding will be addressed with Sheriff Norris when he comes and the drainage in that area will be worked on.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: Carol Mehlbrech addressed the council about being able to have the Lucky Horseshoe open on Sundays. The pros & cons about being open were debated; loss of sales tax revenue, requests from people to be open during the football games and ultimately times have changed. State law has changed and does allow for Sunday opening with no regard to food sales. First reading of Ordinance 2012-4 – Changing Municipal Liquor Store hours was done. A motion by G Guenther, second by Anderson to set a special meeting on September 17th at 7:00 pm for the second reading of Ordinance 2012-4 – Changing Municipal Liquor Store hours. Motion carried.

Streets and Alleys: Mayor Pringle reported that he checked into a fog coat on the chip and sealed streets and the cost was \$.30 a square yard. This is like what the county did on the road to Freeman. No action taken.

Council again addressed maybe the need for looking into an electronic speed sign. Paweltzki talked with a Marion councilperson about letting us use their sign for maybe a week. He'll check further.

Quotes for the cement patching on Main Ave were discussed. Quotes were: Peterson Concrete - \$11,500; Robert Johnson Construction Inc - \$9420; Masonry Components Inc - \$7,400. Motion by G Guenther, second by Paweltzki to go with the quote from Masonry Components Inc for \$7,400. Motion carried. It was noted that \$950 of this will be repaid by Prunty Construction to repair the patch at 2nd & Main.

Water and Sewer/Sewer Project: Copy of the Onsite Evaluation of Drinking Water System was noted & will be filed.

Motion was made by Heiberger, second by G Guentner to sign the Sewer Project Payment request #4. Motion carried.

Contracted Law Enforcement: monthly reports for July and August were received and noted. Council discussed speeding issues with Sheriff Norris.

Code Enforcement: Council reviewed an opinion from Attorney Mike Fink concerning the termination of water service for violating the vicious/dangerous animal ordinance. Council consensus was to have Attorney Fink write this change to the ordinances.

Planning and Zoning: Motion by G Guentner, second by Paweltzki to approve the building permit for St. Stephen Church. Motion carried. Planning and Zoning Committee will be meeting on thursday the 20th of September.

Council received a request from landowners of Lots 1-3 Block 12 (previous First Presbyterian Church lots) rezoning this area from residential to commercial. Motion by G Guentner, second by Heiberger to set Public Hearing for rezoning for 7:15 pm at the October 3rd meeting. Motion carried.

2nd Reading of the Budget was done. Motion by Anderson, second by Heiberger to approve 2013 Appropriation Ordinance A-89. Roll Call Vote: all present voted aye. Motion carried.

Since the October meeting falls on an employee holiday, a motion by Paweltzki, second by G Guentner to set the October meeting to Wednesday October 3rd at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Heiberger to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:22 pm. Next meeting is October 3rd.

Ronald H Pringle - Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

August bills to be paid in September:

Salaries (Gross): Joan M. Julson-1966.92; Todd Letcher-includes 7½ hr OT, 2510.06; Matthew Anderson, 407.82; Natasha Letcher, 210.00; Ambulance Payroll, 2516.00; EFTPS-August payroll taxes, 1528.60; SDRS-Employee payment & city match of retirement, 537.22.

Supplies: Barco Municipal Products–amber warning light, 50.00; Farmers Alliance–firehall & shop propane, 484.00; Heiman Fire–Auto charger w/indicator for fire truck, 538.25; Heritage Pharmacy–FO supply, 3.99; JP Cooke Co–pet licensing receipt books, 30.02; M/S Pump-N-Stuff–gas, 198.46; Mac’s–shop supply, 73.00; Menards–various supply for firehall, streets, shop, sewer & parks, 118.84; Potter’s Tire & Service–gas, diesel, 243.57; Schwans Market–Summer Rec supply, 8.59; Sievers Sales & Service–nuts, 1.60.

Repair & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking-payloader work, 915.00; CMC Excavation-water valve repair at 3rd & Poplar, dig in sewer line at 220 S Oak Ave, and disconnect sewer service from storm sewer & connect to sanitary sewer for 511 N Cherry Ave, 4528.63; Meyer Motor LLC-labor to install new charger for IHC Fire trk, 63.00.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in August) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1340.90; Dakota Beverage, 764.90; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 402.33.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 38.80, Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Bargain Bytes/Millennium Recycling–electronic dumping, 92.75; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–August publishing, 118.52; City of Parker–2012 Street Oiling Admin fee, 30.00; Nordwald Rentals–Oct rent (Payable 10/1/12), 350.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Murphy, Shannon–water deposit return, 23.24; Petty Cash–postage, 9.55; SD Dept of Revenue–water testing, 13.00; SD One Call, 3.33; SD State Treasurer–August garbage, etc. sales tax, 217.64.

Utilities (Paid in August): Addy Disposal, 3515.00; Golden West, 259.96; Hanson Rural Water, 5540.60; Xcel Energy, 1571.40.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 273.24; Health Pool of SD, 2926.82.

Professional: Fink Law Office PC- August statement, 174.97.

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