

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2013 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 3/11/13. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ronald H Pringle. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, George Guenther, Phil Heiberger, Caron Neumann, Jerry Paweltzki and Mayor Pringle. Zach Guenther arrived at 7:27 pm. Others present: Finance Officer - Joan Julson, Maintenance – Todd Letcher, Sherriff Mark Norris, Carl Nordwald – CMC Excavation Inc, LaVetta Moen, Carol Mehlbrech – Lucky Horseshoe, Rural Fire Board (JoJae Glanzer and Jim Hoffman), Vern Arens (Arens Engineering), and Sandi Tschetter.

The minutes of the February 4th regular meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by G Guenther, second by Anderson to approve the minutes of the February 4th regular meeting. Motion carried.

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

The bills for the month of February were reviewed. After discussion a motion was made by Paweltzki, second by G Guenther to approve the February bills. Motion carried. Paweltzki brought up that due to the cost of fuel oil, we should be looking at replacing the old furnaces in the Legion Hall. They are very old & no longer efficient and should probably be replaced with more efficient furnaces. Council decided to have Z Guenther look into this and bring info & quotes to April meeting.

Maintenance Report given by Todd Letcher:

- Worked on frozen storm sewer lines/drains
- Discussed with council 7th street from Main Ave and east

At 7:15 Mayor Pringle opened up the Public Hearing for a 2-day temporary liquor license for the Lucky Horseshoe St Patrick's Day dance/band on March 16-17 at the Legion Hall. No one expressed any concerns or objections, so a motion was entertained by G Guenther, seconded Heiberger to grant the 2-day temporary liquor license to the Lucky Horseshoe for the St Patrick's Day event at the Legion Hall on March 16 & 17. Roll Call Vote: all present voted aye. Motion carried. Hearing declared closed at 7:17 pm.

Public Input: Carol Mehlbrech brought to the councils attention a large amount of garbage behind a house on 4th St. A nuisance letter from the city will be sent. LaVetta Moen asked why it was taking so long (4 years) for 7th street to get finished. Council will be addressing this area this summer.

Zach Guenther arrived at this time.

Fire: Bridgewater Rural Fire Board (JoJae Glanzer and Jim Hoffman) addressed the council with their 2013 contract renewal and approval of the fire budget for 2014. Motion by Paweltzki, second by G Guenther to extend the 2013 Bridgewater Rural Fire Dept contract and adopt their 2014 Budget. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Streets & Alleys: The council went over the McCook County Signing & Delineation project, PCN 02MY. Funding for this project is covered 100% by federal safety funds and at no cost to the city. This project makes sure our signs are on break away poles, in the correct place, etc. Once the corrections are made to the signs, the city agrees to maintain the signs. Motion by Heiberger, second by Z Guenther to sign the financial and maintenance agreement for the McCook County Signing & Delineation, PCN 02MY. Motion carried.

Going with street chip and seal this summer on the Parker bid was discussed. Motion by Z Guenther, second by G Guenther to do 28,000 sq yds (roughly 18 blocks) of chip and seal with the Parker bid for 2013. Motion carried.

Vern Arens was asked about staking 7th street from Main Ave and east in order to get that street finished. Motion by G Guenther, second by Heiberger to authorize Arens Engineering to stake 7th street. Motion carried.

Water & Sewer: Vern Arens discussed with the council doing the sewer line on 5th street from 435th Ave to just east of Cedar Ave. As discussed at the February meeting, since that street is in need of repair and still has at least 4 or 5 sewer lines in it, the council decided to see if the sewer line couldn't be replaced also. He brought the plans and has the bid documents ready to go on this project. His Opinion of Probable Costs

came in at \$61,000. Motion by Anderson, second by Heiberger to set April 10th at 7:30 pm for the bid opening of this 5th St Sewer Project. Motion carried.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: Checking into furnaces at the Legion was discussed. Z Guentner will look into further for us and report at April meeting.

Contracted Law Enforcement: Sheriff Norris was here for any questions. Council noted reports for February.

Ambulance: Motion by Paweltzki, second by G Guentner to add Daniel Sorenson to the ambulance EVOG (driver) list. Motion carried.

Parks & Rec: Advertise for Summer Rec program again this summer. Council also instructed finance officer to advertise for summer help for maintenance also.

Fireworks for the 4th of July were also discussed. Tabled until April meeting.

Code Enforcement: City clean-up Day was discussed for this spring - possibly end of April beginning of May sometime.

Elections: Motion by Heiberger, second by Z Guentner to pay election officials \$125.00. Motion carried.

Election officials will be Supt. Kathleen Heiman, Connie Schroeder, and Evelyn Hofer.

Drawing was held for ballot name order. Anderson drew: Ron Pringle first – Ken Haugen second.

Motion by G Guentner, second by Anderson to pass Resolution #13-0311. Roll call vote – all present voted aye. Motion carried.

City Of Bridgewater

Resolution #13-0311

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, City of Bridgewater, will be forgoing the local board of equalization to continue participating in a consolidated board of equalization along with the county board of equalization. The City Council of Bridgewater will provide two members for the consolidated board of equalization along with one member of the Bridgewater School Board as representation on the consolidated board.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th of March, 2013 by the City Council of the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota by the following vote:

Ayes: 6

Nayes: 0

Absent: 0

City of Bridgewater

By: Ronald H Pringle

Its Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M Julson

Finance Officer

(SEAL)

Paweltzki brought to the council info about being able to use a new Case IH tractor for 6 months basically for free. We do have to insure it. This is something that other counties and cities do also – good for their (Case) advertisement. Council instructed Paweltzki to pursue.

Motion by G Guentner, second by Z Guentner to set the April council meeting to April 10th in order to canvas the April 9th election also. Motion carried.

2012 Accounts Receivable was gone over. Motion by Z Guentner, second by Heiberger to write off \$5793.24 of old uncollectable water and sewer bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Paweltzki, second by Anderson to approve the 2012 Annual Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Z Guentner, second by Anderson to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:37 pm. Next meeting is April 10, 2013.

Ronald H Pringle - Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Finance Office 692.04; Fire 37.48; Gov't Bldg 37.48; Streets 1277.91; Parks 172.39; Ambulance 2537.04; Liquor 158.00; Water 993.65; Sewer 768.80; Accounts Management Inc-wage garnishment, 599.71; EFTPS-February payroll taxes, 1697.67; SD Retirement System-city share 266.09.

Supplies: Campbell's—mostly shop supply, 189.24; McCook Co Highway Dept—5 T salt/sand, 100.80; Menards—mostly shop supply, 116.46; Meyer Motor LLC—dumptrk parts, 32.81; Moore Medical—amb supply, 397.77; Post Master—water book postage, 20.86; Potter's Tire & Service—gas and diesel, 577.09; SD Federal Property Agency—mostly shop supply, 544.00; Sturdevant's Auto Parts—shop tools & supply, 102.61; United Energy/Farmers Alliance—shop & firehall propane & legion fuel oil, 3454.66; Wheelco—parts for trailer, 126.22; Zabel Steel—part for trailer, 152.25.

Repair & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking—2/11 & 2/22 Snow removal, 2925.00; CMC Excavation Inc—Repair water leak by 5th & Juniper, Repair 3 fire hydrants, Clean up burn hole & dig hole for concrete rubble, 4182.41; SF Two Way Radio Svc—fire pager charger, 57.98.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in February) Beal Distributing, Inc., 2011.62; Dakota Beverage, 1004.06; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 561.33; Republic National Distributing Co, 1113.56.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc—Maintenance contract, 42.69, Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Bridgewater Development Corp—monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune—February publishing, 61.17; Nordwald Rentals—April rent (Payable 4/1/13), 350.00; McCook County-Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Petty Cash—postage, 22.63; SD Dept of Revenue—water testing, 13.00; SD One Call—3 fax locates for January and 1 for February, 4.44; SD State Treasurer—February garbage, etc. sales tax, 225.06.

Utilities (Paid in February): Addy Disposal, 3529.50; Golden West, 229.56; Hanson Rural Water, 3649.40; Xcel Energy, 2002.16; United Energy-1/15 Legion Hall fuel oil, 1678.30.

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

Professional: Arens Engineering-Bid Documents & Construction plans for 5th st sewer, 2275.00.

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