

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**November 10, 2014 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 11/10/14. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Acting Mayor George Guenther. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, George Guenther, Zach Guenther (arrived at 7:03), Phil Heiberger, Jerry Paweltzki, and Lacey Weber. Others present: Finance Officer - Joan Julson, Maintenance – Todd Letcher, Sandi Tschetter, and Jim Julson.

The minutes of the October 6<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Weber, second by Heiberger to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

The October Financial statement was sent out to the council for reviewing prior to the meeting. After discussion, a motion was made by Heiberger, second by Weber to approve the October Financial Statement. Motion carried. First reading of Supplemental Budget Ordinance A-95 was done.

The bills for the month of October were reviewed. A motion was made by Anderson, second by Paweltzki to approve the October bills. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report by Todd Letcher:

- Working on lagoon roads and getting lagoon ready for winter
- Winterized parks

Streets & Alleys: Black dirt from the DDC was discussed as were the piles of fill dirt that is out in the football field parking lot area. Anderson talked with the council about the east end of Iowa Street which is by the city park area. This is a platted street and if we have no other use for the fill dirt he would like to see it put there so that the road could be used. Anderson would do the work at no charge if we would supply that fill dirt that we have no other use for. Council agreed to do this.

A bill from Arens Engineering for curb & gutter staking on 3<sup>rd</sup> St was discussed. After discussion, a motion by Weber, seconded by Heiberger to pay ½ of the engineering fees for curb & gutter replacement to make sure it conforms to street elevations. All voted aye except Z Guenther voting nay as he would rather wait until the ordinance is changed. Motion carried.

Our snow removal policy for the business district was discussed. It was clarified that the no parking until all snow is removed pertains to the area for parking cars only and not until the windrow, if there is one, has been removed. So once the snow has been removed from the parking spaces, you can park there.

Commercial Asphalt has informed us that they had been hoping to get the street asphaltting done this fall, but now with the change in weather, we'd get a better product if we waited until next year. They will honor the bid costs next year. Council agreed to this.

Code Enforcement: Complaint letters on speeding on 5<sup>th</sup> Street going to the school and on Poplar behind the school. Sherriff Norris will be talked to and see if we can't get the speed sign to sit on those streets and more patrolling done.

It was noted that letters were received from Attorney Fink that several nuisances have been abated.

Water & Sewer: Motion by Z Guenther, second by Anderson to surplus an old well pump that is not in working order. Motion carried.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: Motion by Paweltzki, second by Weber to renew the 2015 Municipal On & Off Sale Liquor Licenses. Motion carried.

A letter was received from Rich & Carol Mehlbrech resigning as Liquor Store Manager. It will be advertised for December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Ambulance: Jim Julson discussed with the council some of the options that the ambulance personnel would like to see on the new Stryker Power-Pro XPS cot. Our SDML Workers Comp pays for 17% of the basic cot and Stryker will give us a 23% discount on the basic cot plus the options. Motion by G Guenther, second by Z Guenther to purchase the cot with these \$3000 worth of options for the safety of the patient and our ambulance personnel. Motion carried. It was noted that the city's cost will be \$12,163.87 with the ambulance covering about \$4200 of that cost. This is money the ambulance had from donations and Fall Fest.

Fire: Motion by Z Guenther, second by Anderson to add Doug Gilbert, Troy Hofer and Kenny Weber to the fire dept roster. Motion carried.

A Thank You from the sophomore high school class for the use of the shop in making their homecoming float was read & noted.

Motion by G Guenther, second by Z Guenther to continue the monthly \$100 donation to the Bridgewater Development Corp. Motion carried.

Motion by G Guenther, second by Heiberger to go into Executive Session for Employee Reviews & Negotiations (SDCL 1-25-2.4). Motion carried. Time 7:58 pm. Acting Mayor G Guenther declared executive session over at 8:12 pm.

Employee Reviews tabled until the December meeting.

Motion by Z Guenther, second by Anderson to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:15 pm. Next meeting is December 8, 2014.

George A Guenther – Acting Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

**Claims:**

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 3307.84; Animal Control 136.26; Council 2925.00; Finance Office 964.14; Fire 30.28; Gov't Bldg 37.85; Landfill/Dump 324.71; Liquor 217.10; Parks 354.73; Sewer 1773.92; Streets 1023.18; Water 1637.67; EFTPS-October payroll taxes, 2343.06; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 765.90.

Supplies: Campbell Supply–shop supply, 72.97; Danko Emergency Equipment-fireman coat, 792.05; Freeman Lumber–dog kennel supply, 151.62; Julson, Jim–shop dryer cord, 29.99; M/S Pump N Stuff–Oct gas, 92.15; Matheson–amb oxygen, 121.00; Menard's–maintenance office, shop, Legion Hall, & firehall supply, 193.98; Potter's Tire & Service–gas, diesel, supply, 929.17; Quill–printer ink, 82.99; Reliable Office Supply–FO supply, 1.48; Sturdevant's–park antifreeze & shop towels, 77.16.

Repairs & Maintenance: Bender's Sewer & Drain-clean out sewer main on N Spruce, 548.00; C&B Operations LLC–JD tractor repair, 1033.76; Schmidt Country Inc–chain sharpening, 17.00; SF Two Way Radio Svc–1 amb radio repaired, 101.97.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in October) Beal Distributing, Inc., 2262.90; Dakota Beverage, 1810.60; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 1010.42.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 46.95; A-OX Welding Supply-1 yr cylinder lease for shop welder, 37.50; Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–October publishing, 57.30; Longbrake, Caliber–mileage, 82.14; Nordwald Rentals–December rent (Payable 12/1/14), 350.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Petty Cash–mostly postage, 5.95; R&S Sanitation Inc-roll off & tip fee, 357.14; Scharffenber, Ron-return of firehall rental fee, 100.00; SD Dept of Revenue–water testing, 13.00; SD One Call-17 faxed locates for Sept & Oct, 18.87; SD State Treasurer–Oct garbage, etc. sales tax (includes a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.73), 244.64.

Utilities (Paid in October): Addy Disposal, 3510.00; Golden West, 253.34; Hanson Rural Water, 4403.80; Xcel Energy, 1850.53.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 273.24; Health Pool of SD, 3514.78.

Professional: Arens Engineering-½ curb & gutter staking on 3<sup>rd</sup> St between Poplar & Cherry, 177.50; Fink Law Office PC-Oct statement, 43.23.

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