

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**April 6, 2015 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 04/06/15. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Acting Mayor George Guenther. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, George Guenther, Jerry Paweltzki, and Lacey Weber. Absent: Zach Guenther and Phil Heiberger. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, Sandi Tschetter, Ken Haugen, Craig Golder, Caliber Longbrake, and Mike Damm.

The minutes of the March 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting was sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Weber, second by Anderson to approve the minutes of the March 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Anderson, second by Paweltzki to approve the March Financial Statement. Motion carried.

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

Health & Landfill: A few people have been hauling trees to the old dumpsite. Council decided to once again get a dumpster delivered by the firehall for homeowner clean-up/dumping around the 15<sup>th</sup> of April with the same dumping rules applying as last year.

Maintenance Report by Todd Letcher:

- Pumping down at the lagoon
- Street gutter cleaning

Streets and Alleys: Letters of application for the summer maintenance help were received from Caliber Longbrake and Anthony Jaeger. After discussion, paper ballots were handed out to each council member to vote for either Caliber Longbrake or Anthony Jaeger. Finance Officer announced that Anthony Jaeger received the majority of the votes.

Public Input: Craig Golder discussed with the council dust control for east 3<sup>rd</sup> street. Council informed him that that area is on the schedule for chip and sealing this summer. He is also concerned about the speed on that road. Council discussed options but didn't have an answer since speed limit is already 20 mph in town. Council decided to add "Children at Play" signs to see if that helps slow people down. He was also wondering what street work was being done particularly on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> streets. Anderson explained what we've been trying to do with the streets since the majority of them still have a dirt base which we've been slowly trying to change with digging up and putting in gravel bases. Anderson also explained to everyone in attendance the purpose of chip and seal. It was also talked about using a fog coat after chip and sealing to see if that will seal the rocks in better this year.

Law Enforcement: Monthly report from March was noted.

Code Enforcement: G Guenther reported on a dog incident that happened and reported that the dog no longer is in town as it was surrendered to the Humane Society.

Parks & Recreation: Letters of application for the summer rec help were received from Kristie Longe and Megan Jaeger. After discussion, paper ballots were handed out to each council member to vote for either Kristie Longe or Megan Jaeger. Finance Officer announced that Kristie Longe received the majority of the votes.

4<sup>th</sup> of July was discussed for this year. It was decided to spend the same dollar amount on fireworks as last year. The burn ban was also discussed.

Water & Sewer: A letter from Hanson Rural Water stating that due to rising operating expenses, the rate survey showed that they need to increase rates by \$.10 per thousand gallons with the July 2015 billing. This increase applies to all Hanson Rural Water users. Council so noted.

Motion by Anderson, second by G Guenther to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:01 pm. Next regular meeting is May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

George A Guenther – Acting Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

**Claims:**

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 3234.16; Finance Office 667.79; Fire 135.10; Liquor 153.10; Parks 243.18; Sewer 991.26; Streets 992.02; Water 914.06; EFTPS-March payroll taxes, 1669.70; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 525.98; SD Unemployment Ins Div-1<sup>st</sup> Q unemployment, 21.36.

Supplies: A-OX Welding supply-shop welding supplies, 52.86; Colonial Research-shop chemicals, 156.03; Farmers Alliance-shop & firehall propane, 1199.45; M/S Pump-N-Stuff-gas, 135.09; Potter Tire & Service-gas, diesel & supply, 290.76; Quill-mostly ink, 165.96; Reliable Office Supply-mostly paper, 77.69; Sioux Falls Two Way Radio-amb radio battery, 97.99; Stern Oil-3/27 Legion propane, 335.40; Sturdevants-shop & firehall supply, 56.22.

Repairs & Maintenance: Bender's Sewer & Drain-pumphouse sewer line cleaning, 242.50; CMC Excavation Inc.-1/6/15 repair water leak at Hwy 262 & 435<sup>th</sup> Ave & 4/2/15 reset valve riser & clean-up, 1783.17.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in March) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1617.70; Dakota Beverage, 813.85; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 414.24; Republic National Dist, 319.99.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 46.95; Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Banyon Data Systems-Annual WIN fund support, 795.00; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–March publishing, 279.66; First National Bank in SF- 2 SRF sewer loan payments, 8834.09; Kotitnek, Ashley-water deposit return, 100.00; Nordwald Rentals–May rent (Payable 5/1/15), 350.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2015.00; Meyer Motor LLC-towing, 50.00; Petty Cash–postage, 26.40; SD Dept of Revenue–water testing, 15.00; SD State Treasurer–Mar garbage, etc. sales tax (includes a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.35), 219.94.

Utilities (Paid in March): Addy Disposal, 3802.50; Golden West, 246.23; Hanson Rural Water, 3434.80; Xcel Energy, 2199.24.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 382.18; CNA Surety-public officials bond, 567.50; Health Pool of SD, 3514.78.

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