

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2016 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 06/06/2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Michael Damm. Answering roll call were Mayor Damm, Zach Guenther, Tony Hofer, Travis Holthaus, and Jerry Paweltzki. Absent were Bob Anderson and Lacey Weber. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, Sandi Tschetter, Sheriff Mark Norris, and Brian Cable.

The minutes of the May 9th regular meeting and May 24th special meetings were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Guenther, second by Holthaus to approve the minutes of all the meetings. Motion carried.

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

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

At 7:15 sealed bids were opened for surplus 1992 Mercury Grand Marquis. Bids were opened & read as follows: Harold Rinehart - \$126; Lee Murtha - \$355; Lori Lux - \$350. Motion by Holthaus second by Guenther to accept of the highest bid from Lee Murtha for \$355 for the surplus 1992 Mercury Grand Marquis. Motion carried.

Streets & Alleys: Council went over and discussed the Probable Cost estimates for the street by Potter Tire & Service (Hwy 262 to 3rd St) for cement versus asphalt. Cement cost was \$133,000 (includes construction & professional services) and 5" Asphalt (includes construction & professional services) was \$87,000. We could apply for a Community Access Grant which would cover 60% of the construction cost. After discussion of the various pros and cons for concrete versus asphalt, a motion was made by Paweltzki, second by Holthaus to apply for the Community Access Grant funding to cement the block between Hwy 262 and 3rd street. Roll Call vote: Guenther-aye, Hofer-nay, Holthaus-aye, Paweltzki-aye. Attorney Fink was called for his opinion on whether the motion carries or fails. Since we have an elected voting body of 6 council persons our majority for any vote is 4. Motion failed due to lack of majority. After more discussion, a motion was made by Hofer, second by Paweltzki to reconsider the motion. Roll call vote: Guenther-aye, Hofer-aye, Holthaus-aye, Paweltzki-aye. Motion carried. Motion by Guenther, second by Holthaus to apply for the Community Access Grant funding for the block between Hwy 262 and 3rd street. Roll call vote: all present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Damm brought up the large areas of potholes around town and how we can fix these areas have the patches last longer. Council decided to have Anderson & Letcher look over the areas & come up with some ideas/answers at July meeting. Paweltzki brought up that we should ask the state to fix the steep ditch by Stern Oil tanks on Hwy 262. The closed street (3rd St) on the south side of Hwy 262 was discussed due to the standing water and talking to the Railroad & state. Holthaus brought up that we should revisit the 5-year street plan and do some updates at the July meeting.

Main Street Water Project: The meeting for our SRF meeting will be June 23rd in Pierre with time to be determined.

Letcher brought up that Wolf Creek is filling up the lagoon when we have heavy rains. There seems to be some issue with the road and the culverts out there. This makes us in violation with the DENR discharge permit. Letcher will have CMC look at it.

We are having a few people with water coming up their drains in their homes. We need to make sure everyone is pumping their sump pumps outside. If it continues we will have to start inspecting homes for this type of violation.

Health & Landfill: We went thru 3 dumpsters very fast. It was noted that some appliances and tv's were in the last one. The appliances disappeared but we still have the tv's. At this point there will be no more dumpsters. The old dumpsite is open for trees, branches, leaves and garden waste.

Gov't Bldg/Municipal Liquor Store: It was noted to add Cassidy Lehrman as part-time bartender help.

Law Enforcement: Monthly reports for April & May were received. Sheriff Norris was here to answer any questions.

Ambulance: We are in need of more EMT's!!

Parks & Rec: Costs for fireworks were in the \$2500 range. Motion by Guenther, second by Holthaus to approve the \$2500 bill for fireworks this 4th of July. Motion carried. Some of the council volunteered to pick them up on the morning of the 4th of July.

Fire Dept: Request from the fire dept for a temporary beer license for the Fall Fest was received. Public Hearing for this will be at July meeting.

Code Enforcement: Mayor brought up the nuisance letters sent last October. Several properties were gone over. We need to start somewhere and make people realize that we do mean business.

Planning & Zoning: No permits for the month.

Motion by Paweltzki, second by Guenther to renew the Package off-sale Malt Beverage license for M/S Pump-N-Stuff. Motion carried.

It was noted that Letcher will be on vacation June 13-17. Finance office will be closed for a workshop June 8-10.

Motion by Guenther, second by Hofer to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 9:22 pm.

Next regular meeting is July 11, 2016.

Michael Damm – Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 3247.66; Finance Office 696.17; Fire 35.78; Gov't Bldg 142.44, Landfill/Dump 75.53; Liquor 1937.94; Mosquito 147.08; Parks 1132.51; Sewer 923.60; Streets 956.59; Water 601.62; EFTPS-May payroll taxes, 3369.43; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 588.56.

Supplies: Bob's Candy Service–cigarettes, candy, peanuts, juices, oil, misc, 1233.43; C&B Operations LLC – rotary mower blade, 97.74; Chesterman Company–Coke products for bar, 90.00; Fensel's–bar faucet, 168.90; Freeman Lumber–cement & anchors, 112.00; M/S Pump-N-Stuff–gas & bar supply, 112.81; Menard's–mostly paint & supply for parks, 89.88; Meyer Motor, LLC–bar keys, 22.00; Moore Medical–disinfectant, 55.06; Sturdevants Auto Parts–bar, streets, fire supply, 97.11; Walt's Homestyle Foods Inc–bar pizzas, etc, 376.25.

Repair & Maintenance: G&D Viking Glass Inc–rekey bar door, 190.82.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in May) Beal Distributing, Inc., 339.10; Dakota Beverage, 39.20; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 221.69; Republic National Dist, 133.27.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 51.64; Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 40.00; Addy Disposal-dumpsters, 45.00; American Heart Assoc.-EMT CPR training & certificates, 48.00; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–May publishing, 236.66; DENR-2017 Drinking water fee, 220.00; Farmers State Bank-low balance charge, 15.00; Julson, Joan-bar tokens, food supply & misc, 220.66; Kramer, Sandi-ServSafe class registration for Ashley Sinkie, 140.00; Lucky Horseshoe (Frye)-security deposit & bar inventory payout, 18215.82; McCook County-Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; Nordwald Rentals–June rent (Payable 7/1/16), 350.00; Petty Cash-bar supply 108.23; Richards, Anne-CPR class mileage for supplies, 33.60; SD Dept of Revenue–wastewater & water testing, 284.00; SD Office of Rural Health/EMS Program-ambulance licensing, 12.00; SD One Call-3 faxed locates for May, 3.36; SD State Treasurer–May garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.51), 230.34; SD State Treasurer–May bar sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$5.98), 392.54; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society-dog impounding, 109.84 .

Utilities (Paid in May): Addy Disposal, 3705.00; Golden West, 247.02; Hanson Rural Water, 3726.00; Xcel Energy, 1922.22.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 382.18; Health Pool of SD, 2840.12.

Professional: Fink Law Office, PC–May statement, 331.54.

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