

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2017 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 10/10/2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Michael Damm. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, Mayor Damm, Travis Holthaus, Jessica Liesinger, Jerry Paweltzki, Jesse Sutton, and Lacey Weber. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance – Todd Letcher, Dean & Jamie Schryvers, Steve Sievers, Sandi Tschetter, Tony Hofer, and Aaron Miller – DGR Engineering.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of last month's meeting was sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Weber, second by Liesinger to approve the Sept 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes and Sept 26<sup>th</sup> special meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The September Financial statement was sent out to the council for reviewing prior to the meeting. After discussion, a motion was made by Holthaus, second by Sutton to approve the September Financial Statement. Motion carried. First reading of Supplemental Budget Ordinance #A-101 was done.

The bills for the month of September were reviewed. A motion was made by Weber, second by Holthaus to approve the September bills. Paweltzki made a motion to amend the motion to have employees' wages listed by employee as council receives them. No second was received to the amendment of the motion. Original motion carried.

Maintenance Report was read:

- County to leave salt/sand mixture for winter roads by the shop and then we can use whatever the city would need.
- Still mowing & working on gutter cleaning.

Streets & Alleys: Mayor asked Anderson what he knew about the millings (old ground up road) that Commercial Asphalt would have. Anderson stated that it needs hot weather and a roller. It's not something we could do this time of the year.

Anderson brought up the need for gravel. He already has brought in 4 loads for spring stock pile. Letcher brought up that the parking lot at the ball field could use a load to fill potholes. Council OK'd for Letcher to just tell Anderson when another load is needed. Letcher did comment that he'd like another 2 loads for the stock pile. Too hard to get into the gravel pits in the spring.

Water & Sewer: Aaron Miller from DGR discussed with the council the findings of Letcher and his walk thru of the water project. They took pictures of all the areas that they felt were not properly done or defective. Council will need to decide if they are going to repair/replace certain areas or just use the diminished value of the work done. Each specific area would need to be examined to determine whether the damage is structural or just cosmetic. After continued discussion, it was decided to have the street committee go over items with DGR Engineering and identify these areas reporting back to the council at the November meeting.

Aaron Miller from DGR Engineering gave the updates on the storm drainage study done by them. An update to our water meter/reading system is also included in this study since our meters are getting to be 15-year-old meters. We would be able to get grants to help with costs. DENR has received this study and has been approved by them and we are on the State Water Plan for this.

Health/Landfill: Paweltzki informed the council that we will have to go through the rezoning of the dump ground land. After discussion, motion by Holthaus, second by Sutton to begin the rezoning process of the dump ground with the county to be able to use as a dump. Motion carried.

Gov't Bldg/Municipal Liquor Store: Resolution 17-0911 – Video Surveillance Policy was discussed and tabled again until the Nov meeting for addition of a viewing log from Attorney Fink.

Motion by Weber, second by Sutton to renew liquor licenses for Municipal Liquor Store (Sparky's). Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to move into Executive Session for the purpose of nuisance abatement SD 1-25-2.3 with Attorney Tom Frieberg via the telephone. Motion carried. Time 8:04. Mayor declared over at 8:21 pm.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Sutton to retain Attorney Tom Frieberg from Beresford at \$150 per hour to represent the city on the nuisance action against Bridgewater Lumber. Roll Call Vote: Anderson-nay, Holthaus-aye, Liesinger-aye, Paweltzki-nay, Sutton-aye, Weber-aye. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement: Reports for September were noted.

Parks & Rec: Today we received a \$5000 check from Xcel for park improvements. Sutton brought up that he also received information that the Game, Fish & Parks may have some grant money available also.

Holthaus would like to see a reminder that burning leaves on the streets is not allowed.

Code Enforcement: Council received a letter from Attorney Fink on the Jeanette Ross properties on Oak Ave. No action taken at this time.

Finance Officer went over with the council what she found out about the Experience Works Program.

Council also noted that all volunteers of the fire and ambulance are covered under the work comp coverage by the city.

Bar Manager letters of interest were received from Jamie Schryvers and Cassidy Lehrman. Motion by Sutton, second by Weber to move into Executive Session for the purpose of bar employment SD 1-25-2.1. Motion carried. Time 8:43. Mayor declared over at 9:10 pm.

Motion by Sutton, second by Holthaus to hire Cassidy Lehrman as bar manager with wage to be discussed. Motion carried.

Motion by Sutton, second by Liesinger to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 9:13 pm.

Next regular meeting is November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Michael Damm – Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

### **Claims:**

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 2843.36; Finance Office 546.96; Fire 32.60; Gov't Bldg 93.73; Landfill/Dump 85.58; Liquor 3301.27; Mosquito 126.33; Parks 723.32; Sewer 855.98; Streets 965.78; Water 741.87; EFTPS-September payroll taxes, 2781.91; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 599.88; SD Unemployment Ins Division-3<sup>rd</sup> Q unemployment, 46.26.

Supplies: Bob's Candy Service–bar food items, 1246.36; Bridgewater Activities Group-candy & chips from Fall Fest, 70.52; Chesterman Company–Coke products for bar, 320.05; CHS–defoamer for mosquito sprayer, 14.40; Fensel's Electrical Supply–shop supply, 6.30; JD Concrete–concrete sidewalk out at the ball field, 569.25; Menard's–shop, bar, park supply, 189.20; Michael Todd & Co–yellow striping spray paint, 97.20; Potter Tire & Service–gas, diesel & supply, 668.81; Quill–mostly ink, 102.45; SD Federal Property Agency–shop supply, 36.00; Sturdevant's–mostly shop supply, 35.75; Total Stop–bar supply, 10.18; Walts Homestyle Foods Inc–bar pizza etc, 450.25; Weber, Michael–21.3 T rock, 16' edging & 6 plants for Legion Hall & firehall, 2802.05.

Repair & Maintenance: CMC Excavation Inc–demo house at 831 N Main Ave, 1530.62; Tessier's Inc–bar walk-in cooler repair (3 trips), 2131.75.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in September) Beal Distributing, Inc., 966.55; Dakota Beverage, 448.60; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 74.14; Republic National Dist, 349.87.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 62.48; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune–September publishing, 363.89; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; Nordwald Rentals–November rent (Payable 11/1/17), 350.00; Petty Cash–bar supply & postage, 105.14; RBS Sanitation-September garbage pick-up for 190 households, 2660.00; RBS Sanitation-September dumpster fees (Legion Hall, bar, firehall, shop), 224.18; Schoenfelder, Julie-Karaoke at Sparky's, 225.00; SD Dept of Revenue-water testing, 181.00; SD Municipal League-conference registration to 2 people, 200.00; SD One Call-24 faxed locates, 26.88; SD State Treasurer–September garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.49), 229.43; SD State Treasurer–September bar sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$11.81), 775.56; Thaler, Barb-Oct EMT class training & mileage, 133.00; US Bank-2 Sewer SRF loan payments, 8834.09.

Utilities (Paid in September): Golden West, 425.57; Hanson Rural Water, 5698.00; Xcel Energy, 1649.23.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 200.96; Health Pool of SD, 3141.70.

Professional: DGR Engineering-4<sup>th</sup> St & Juniper Ave services, 5880.00; Fink Law Office PC-September statement, 934.93.

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