

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**October 9, 2018 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 10/09/2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Michael Damm. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, Mayor Damm, Dallas Furgeson, Travis Holthaus, Jessica Liesinger, Alicen Strombeck, and Lacey Weber. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance – Todd Letcher, Mike & Jackie Luikens, Mark Vondra, Loren & Janie Golder, Michelle Morris, and Sandi Tschetter.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of last month's meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Liesinger, second by Holthaus to approve the September 10<sup>th</sup> regular 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 Weber, second by Holthaus to approve the September Financial Statement. Motion carried. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Supplemental Budget Ordinance A-105 was done.

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

Maintenance Report by Letcher was read.

- Working on street projects – getting punch list put together – drainage by 3<sup>rd</sup> & Juniper corner
- Will be going to 3 days of schooling this month to keep up certification
- Letter from John Deere that they aren't doing the Municipal tractor lease any longer. Checking on other options.

**Streets & Alleys:** Email from Gabe Laber – DGR Engineering was gone over mostly punch list for Juniper & 4<sup>th</sup> St project. Motion by Anderson, second by Weber to pay request #3 for the Juniper & 4<sup>th</sup> St Project for \$128,792.96. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Public Input:** no one present had any comments

**Water & Sewer:** Water rates were discussed. The water rates have not changed since 1998 and we have had several increases in charges from Hanson Rural Water but never any rate increase to our customers. Consequently our water rates were too low to be able to receive any grant money for this project. We are eligible for a 1% loan but our rates need to meet the \$41.75 per 5000 gallons. After a lot of discussion on the rate structure, a motion was made by Holthaus, second by Anderson to approve Resolution #18-1009B. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**CITY OF BRIDGEWATER**

**Resolution #18-1009B**

***A Resolution of the City of Bridgewater to amend Section 8.0115 - Rates for Water Service of the 2005 Revised City of Bridgewater Ordinances.***

***WHEREAS***, the City of Bridgewater currently operates a system of waterworks for the purpose of providing water and water supply for municipal, business, and domestic purposes and has determined that improvements to the waterworks are necessary for the conduct of its governmental programs and qualifies as an improvement to its waterworks system; and

***WHEREAS***, the City has determined to issue its revenue bonds to finance the improvements to its waterworks system and has applied to the South Dakota Conservancy District for a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan to finance the improvements; and

***WHEREAS***, the City shall adopt the rates and charges to be pledged, segregated and used for the payment of the Revenue Bonds; and

***WHEREAS***, Section 8.0115 – Rates for Water Service states that rates may be adjusted by the City Council, from time to time, by resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:*** that effective January 1, 2019 the water rate shall be as follows: the minimum monthly rate will be \$9.50. In addition, for metered water the charge will be \$6.50 per 1000 gallons or \$.05 per cubic foot.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018, by the City Council of the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota by the following vote:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

City of Bridgewater

By: Michael Damm

Title: Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M Julson

City Finance Officer

SEAL

**Health & Landfill:** Reminder that the Public Hearing for the Conditional Use permit for the dump area at the county is Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store:** Motion by Weber, second by Liesinger to hire Lyrica Lewis as a part-time bartender at \$9.50 per hour. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Anderson to renew the liquor licenses for the city liquor store (Sparky's). Motion carried.

Several options for the bar flooring were discussed. It was decided to contact Jerry Olinger for a quote. The commercial fryer that Jamie Schryvers found & purchased for \$400 online was discussed. After discussion, a motion was made by Holthaus, second by Furgeson to approve the \$400 reimbursement to Jamie Schryvers for the commercial fryer. Roll Call Vote: Anderson-nay; Furgeson-aye; Holthaus-aye; Liesinger-nay; Strombeck-nay; Weber-aye. Motion tied. Damm-nay. Motion failed. At 9:40, later in the meeting a motion was made by Holthaus, second by Furgeson to rescind the motion on the fryer. All voted aye. Motion carried. A motion was made by Anderson, second by Weber to pay Jamie Schryvers \$400 for the commercial fryer. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ambulance:** Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to allow 2 from the ambulance service attend the SD EMS Association State Conference in Sioux Falls Oct 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

**Parks & Recreation:** Motion by Weber, second by Liesinger to approve Resolution #18-1009A. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

## **CITY OF BRIDGEWATER**

### **Resolution #18-1009A**

**WHEREAS**, the United States of America and the State of South Dakota have authorized the making of grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to public bodies and to aid in financing the acquisition and/or construction of specific outdoor recreation projects;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Mayor or Council President is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Bridgewater with the National Park Service, US Department of the Interior, through the State of South Dakota, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, for an LWCF grant to aid in financing the Park Improvement project for the City of Bridgewater, South Dakota and its Environs.
2. That the Mayor or Council President is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the above mentioned federal and/or state agencies may reasonably request in connection with the application which is hereby authorized to be filed.
3. That the City of Bridgewater shall provide a minimum of 50% of the total cost of the project; and will assume all responsibility in the operation and maintenance of the project upon completion of construction, for the reasonable life expectancy of the facility.

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**Law Enforcement:** September report so noted.

**Planning & Zoning:** Motion by Anderson, second by Strombeck to approve a building permit from Perry Hofer and Hillary Clink. Motion carried.

Dallas Furgeson & Mayor Damm attended the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning Team meeting in Salem on Sept 20<sup>th</sup> and will be attending the next one on October 25<sup>th</sup> in Salem.

Mayor Damm reported that the Paweltzki vs Bridgewater City small claim suit that was this morning was dismissed by the judge.

It was noted that Troy Schwans will give us the old Tribunes if we would like them.

Motion by Anderson, second by Strombeck to purchase the city historical pictures from Jerry Paweltzki for \$100. Motion carried.

Motion by Weber, second by Liesinger to go into Executive Session for Employee Reviews & Negotiations (SDCL 1-25-2.4). Motion Carried. Time 8:31 pm Jackie Luikens was asked to come into the executive session. Mayor Damm declared Executive Session over at 9:35 pm.

**Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store con't:**

Motion by Holthaus, second by Liesinger to accept the resignation of Jamie Schryvers as bar manager. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Liesinger to hire Jaqueline (Jackie) Luikens as bar manager at \$15.00 per hour with benefit discussion in the future. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Liesinger to authorize the bar manager to be able to spend up to \$750 per month for events to be revisited in 3 months. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Anderson to have the bar locks changed. Motion carried.

Motion by Liesinger, second by Holthaus to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 9:43 pm.

Next regular meeting is November 5, 2018.

Michael Damm – Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

**Claims:**

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 3586.00; Dump 71.36; Finance Office 552.63; Liquor 3704.02; Parks 321.68; Sewer 669.50; Streets 1779.78; Water 661.10; EFTPS-Sept payroll taxes, 2816.40; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 601.10; SD Unemployment Ins Div-3<sup>rd</sup> Q payment, 74.05; Office of Child Support Enforcement, 109.15.

Supplies: Bob's Candy Service–bar food items, 1590.83; Chesterman Company–Coke products for bar, 87.00; Commercial Asphalt–10.14Tons of Omega Mix, 1368.90; Fensel's Electrical Supply–LED bulbs, 7.99; Freeman Lumber–rebar & screws, 72.58; Kaylor Locker–bar chislic, 187.50; Menards–bar supply, 47.97; Meyer Motor–ambulance clearance light, 27.29; Potter Tire & Service–gas, diesel & supply, 528.80; Sturdevant's–shop supply, 131.13; Total Stop–bar supply, 10.58; Walts Homestyle Foods Inc–bar pizza etc, 580.00; Zabel Steel–metal for shop & bar, 403.20.

Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking-9/11-15 hauling millings, gravel, rock from ballpark to streets and gravel hauling, 6732.00; G&D Viking Glass–replacement of Bar door from break-in, 2180.00; Justice Fire & Safety–Semi-annual maintenance on fire suppression system @ Sparky’s, 164.29.  
Beer and Liquor: (paid in September) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1031.60; Dakota Beverage, 708.20; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 295.24; Republic National Dist, 488.08.  
Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 68.74; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 100.00; Bridgewater Tribune (Salem Special)–September publishing, 292.01; Humboldt Amb Service-ALS assist, 150.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; McCook Co Register of Deeds- warranty deed, 30.00; McCook Co Treas-conditional use permit for dump, 50.00; Nordwald Rentals–November rent (Payable 11/1/18), 350.00; Petty Cash–bar supply & postage, 103.82; RBS Sanitation–Sept garbage pick-up for 190 households 2565.00; RBS Sanitation–Sept dumpster fees (Legion Hall, bar, firehall, shop), 224.18; SD Dept of Revenue-water testing, 196.00; SD Lottery-annual renewal & fingerprint cards charge, 186.50; SD One Call-5 faxed locates for August, 5.60; SD State Treasurer–Sept garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.45), 226.62; SD State Treasurer–Sept bar sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$9.53), 625.67; Thaler, Barb-EMT instructor Oct class & mileage, 133.00; US Bank-2 SRF loans, 8834.09; Willaredt, Marvin-water/sewer overpay reimbursement, 77.15.  
Utilities (Paid in September): Golden West, 430.15; Hanson Rural Water, 5202.40; Xcel Energy 2790.06.  
Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 200.96; Health Pool of SD, 3141.70.  
Professional: DGR Engineering-4<sup>th</sup> St & Juniper Ave Improvements, 6065.24; Eich Law Office, Prof. LLC-September statement, 2659.92; Fink Law Office-September statement, 76.66.

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