

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2019 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on 02/11/19. 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, Bar Manager-Jackie Luikens, Gabe Laber (DGR Engineering), Veryl Haynes, and Sandi Tschetter.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Gabe Laber – DGR Engineering gave a report on the Jan 22nd water meter project bid opening results. Results were as follows: All Star Plumbing - \$93,639.14; CMC - \$96,154.14; Krohmer Plumbing - \$120,870.14; and 3D Digging - \$167,950.14. It was also discussed going with as many dual check valves as possible instead of the resetters due to the cheaper cost of the dual check valve. Motion was made by Holthaus, second by Strombeck to award the bid for the water meter installation for the Water Meter Installation Project to All Star Plumbing contingent upon the funding agency. Roll Call Vote: all present voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor signed the Notice of Award. All Star Plumbing would like to begin the installation process the week of the 18th of February. Laber also mentioned that he would like to meet with Core & Main (meter supplier), All Star Plumbing, Letcher and Julson next week for any finalizing.

Gabe Laber also brought up the need for a Public Hearing next week for the Storm Sewer Improvements for seeking funding from the Board of Water & Natural Resources. Council decided on meeting on Tuesday the 19th of February at 7 pm in the Council Room. Notice will be in the paper, website and Facebook page.

Public Input: Veryl Haynes speaking on behalf of the American Legion discussed with the council the increase in cost for sending students to the Girls/Boys State. They are asking for help with this cost - \$200 per student. He also brought up the need for new street and cemetery flags. Weber offered to look into different costs for flags. Motion by Anderson, second by Weber to give a \$400 donation to the Legion to send 2 kids to Girls/Boys State. Motion carried.

Sandi Tschetter gave library info on working with school, Freeman, and/or Mitchell to the council. She feels there is a need for year round library services.

The minutes of last month's meeting were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Weber, second by Liesinger to approve the January 7th regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

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

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

Maintenance Report given by Letcher. He's been mostly working with the bar remodel, moving snow and fixing stuff around the shop.

Water & Sewer: Council went over the extra modules for the Banyon Utility billing program. Motion by Weber, second by Strombeck to purchase the meter device interface and direct payments ACH modules for the utility billing with training & annual support. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement: Council noted the January Law Enforcement Report.

Planning & Zoning: Motion by Holthaus, second by Anderson to renew the building permit for Roger Johnston. Motion carried.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: Weber brought up painting the council room - Carl Nordwald,owner, is OK with it. We have some leftover paint from the bar that maybe could be used.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to add Loren Golder as part-time bartender at \$9.50 per hour. Motion carried.

Parks & Rec: Grant info was discussed.

Council noted a proposed tower construction notice for BNSF Railway.

Motion by Weber, second by Furgeson to go into Executive Session for Employee Reviews & Negotiations (SDCL 1-25-2.4) and pricing strategies for the liquor store (SDCL 1-25-2.5). Motion Carried. Time 8:10 pm Mayor Damm declared Executive Session over at 8:55 pm.

Motion by Strombeck, second by Liesinger to pay a rate of 10% of the profits to Jackie Luikens, bar manager, in the liquor store. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Liesinger to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:57 pm.

Next regular meeting is March 11, 2019.

Michael Damm – Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 3836.02; Dump 30.20; Finance Office 1047.70; Fire 103.93; Govt Bldg 80.52; Liquor 9659.00; Parks 214.00; Sewer 1397.11; Streets 2191.67; Water 1477.70; EFTPS-Jan payroll taxes, 5102.79; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 1539.64.

Supplies: A-OX Welding Supply–gas & wire for welder, 225.69; Bob’s Candy Service–bar items, 2226.70; Campbell’s–18V battery & bits, 128.99; CHS Farmers Alliance–shop & firehall propane, 1963.69; Chesterman Company–Coke products for bar, 147.00; Country Pride–bar fuel oil, 308.74; Fensel’s Electrical Supply–shop supply for Dec & Jan,237.03; Heritage–shop & firehall supply, 17.87; Kaylor Locker–bar chislic, 312.50; Luikens, Jackie–bar supply, 180.95; McKesson/Moore Medical–amb supply, 459.94; MD Engraving-plaque, 67.50; Menards–bar & shop supply, 163.24; Meyer Motor–amb battery, skidsteer switch, shop keys, 153.63; SD Municipal League–Utility billing software without extra modules, 3196.00; Office Depot–timecards & shop ink, 82.18; Potter Tire & Service–Jan gas, diesel & supply, 364.56; Quill–copy paper, printer ink for FO & amb, amb billing forms, 287.91; Stern Oil–Legion Hall propane & tank lease, 452.50; Sturdevants–shop supply, 95.03; Walts Homestyle Foods Inc–bar pizza etc, 84.75; Zabel Steel–mostly aluminum for Sparky’s, 204.77.

Dues & Fees: SD Amb Assoc–2019 membership, 75.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking–1/19-20 snow removal, 825.00; Justice Fire & Safety-annual fire extinguisher inspection for shop, fire dept & Legion Hall, 474.00.

Beer and Liquor: (paid in January) Beal Distributing, Inc., 1632.60; Dakota Beverage, 1120.70; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 1153.49; Republic National Dist, 788.10; Southern Glazers of SD, 232.15.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–Maintenance contract, 68.78; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 200.00; Bridgewater Tribune (Salem Special)–January publishing, 590.71; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; Nordwald Rentals–March rent (Payable 3/1/19), 350.00; Petty Cash–bar supply, stamps, 94.03; RBS Sanitation-January garbage pick-up for 190 households 2565.00; RBS Sanitation-January dumpster fees (Legion Hall, bar, firehall, shop), 224.18; SD Dept of Revenue-water testing, 15.00; SD Ambulance Assoc-conference registration for 2 people, 240.00; SD One Call-8 faxed locate for Dec, 8.96; SD State Treasurer–Jan garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$4.03), 264.78; SD State Treasurer–Jan bar sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$14.74), 967.74; Solem American Legion Post-2018 yearly donation& donation for 2 Girls/Boys Staters, 700.00;US Bank–water SRF loan payments, 1389.37.

Utilities (Paid in January): Golden West, 423.81; Hanson Rural Water, 4841.40; Xcel Energy, 2522.03.

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

Professional: Eich Law Office–Jan Statement, 220.00.

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