

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2022 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on Monday 06/06/2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Travis Holthaus. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, Tony Hofer, Travis Holthaus, Alicen Strombeck, and Mark Vondra. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, Greg Mielke, Jeff Weber, Scott LaVoy (DGR), and Trent Bruce (DGR).

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of last month's meetings were sent to the council for reading prior to the meeting. Motion by Anderson, second by Vondra to approve the May 9th regular meeting minutes. All present voted aye. 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 Hofer, second by Anderson to approve the May Financial Statement. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The bills for the month of May were reviewed. A motion was made by Anderson, second by Vondra to approve the May bills. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report by Letcher. 1) pump at lagoon needs replacing 2) mowing 3) evergreens around detention pond 4) Ascher Strombeck volunteering to help Jerico with clean-up (parental consent form to be signed for volunteer work)

At 7:22, a Public Hearing was held for a variance. Motion by Vondra, second by Hofer to recess council and reconvene as Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote – all voted aye. Motion carried. Public Hearing for variance request for an accessory building on Jeff & Sharon Weber property at 110 E 5th St was opened by President Holthaus. Mr Weber explained that they would like to set a 18' x 24' building on a cement slab on the north side of their property with the possibility of putting a fence connected to the building also. They will be having the property surveyed to find the exact property line and allowing room for mowing & building maintenance. With no other comments or questions for Mr Weber and no one in attendance with any comments or complaints, a motion was made by Vondra, second by Anderson to approve this variance for Jeff & Sharon Weber. All voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Hofer, second by Strombeck to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Motion carried. Time 7:31 pm

Motion by Anderson, second by Vondra to approve Resolution #22-0606. All voted aye. Motion carried.

CITY OF BRIDGEWATER
RESOLUTION #22-0606

WHEREAS, a request has been made by Jeffrey & Sharon Weber, owners of real estate described in Attachment 1 hereto for a variance as to the real property described in Attachment 1, for the purposes therein contained, and good cause appearing,

IT IS HERBY RESOLVED that the Mayor or City Council President is directed to execute the variance contained in Attachment 1 and cause it to be filed with the McCook County Register of Deeds, all at the expense of the owners of the real estate.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2022.

5 Votes in favor 0 Votes opposed 0 Absent

CITY OF BRIDGEWATER

By: Travis Holthaus

Council President

ATTEST:

Joan M Julson

Finance Officer

(SEAL)

At 7:31 pm President Holthaus opened the Public Hearing for the Special Event beer/wine permit for the Fire Dept for the Jaeger Wedding Dance at the Legion Hall on June 18th. No one came to express any comments or concerns. Motion by Hofer, second by Anderson to grant the temporary 2-day Special Event beer/wine permit to the Fire Dept for the Jaeger Wedding Dance at the Legion Hall on June 18, 2022. All voted aye. Motion carried. At 7:32 Public Hearing was declared over.

Public Input: No one here with input. President Holthaus moved on.

Storm Sewer: Council reviewed a letter from DANR with respect to our submitted project cost totaling \$6,570,000 for a Storm Sewer project. The letter stated that based on the funding criteria set forth in Senate Bill 62, the ARPA grant funding for Bridgewater will be based on a total project amount of \$4,599,000. Trent Bruce & Scott LaVoy from DGR Engineering discussed the re-scoping of the project to the amount allowed. This would bring the estimated monthly surcharge down from \$40 to possibly under \$15. These costs are before any CDBG grant money has been applied for. Council was presented with 2 different options with both including replacing the outfall line. A motion was made by Strombeck, second by Vondra to do a revised application for \$4,599,000 using Option 2 that included replacing the outfall line from detention pond area to lagoon area & 6 blocks of drainage improvements & street reconstruction in the area of 5th St to 3rd street from Cherry to Ash Ave. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Water & Sewer: Motion by Hofer, second by Strombeck to purchase a lagoon pump from Dakota Pump for \$8202.23. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement: May report so noted.

Parks & Recreation: Due to the cost & quality of the evergreen trees at the McCook Co Conservation, a motion was made by Strombeck, second by Hofer to purchase 10 extra evergreens at \$30 each for the detention pond area. All voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Anderson, second by Vondra to check into doors & sinks for the city park bathrooms. All voted aye. Motion carried. It was also noted that the Finance Officer did apply for Mosquito Grant money.

Planning & Zoning: Motion by Vondra, second by Anderson to approve building permit for Joanne Stahl. All voted aye. Motion carried. Permit for Edward Domanowski was still tabled for more information.

Options for the Fireworks were gone over. Motion by Strombeck, second by Anderson to spend \$2700.00 from Lew's Fireworks this year. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Vondra, second by Hofer to sign SDML Workers' Compensation Fund documents that needed to be revised to reflect the same coverage provided by the excess reinsurance carrier concerning employees or covered volunteers that travel to foreign countries. All voted aye. Motion carried.

It was noted that June is Pet Licensing month.

It was noted that Finance Office will be closed June 21-24 for vacation.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Hofer, second by Vondra to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:20 pm.

Next regular meeting is Monday, July 11, 2022.

Travis Holthaus – Council President

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 4840.37; Dump 278.79; Durecho Clean-Up 1198.29; Finance Office 1127.73; Liquor 259.35; Parks 1273.53; Sewer 1170.74; Storm Sewer 304.48; Streets 925.88; Water 1044.35; EFTPS-May payroll taxes,4251.54; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 860.70.

Supplies: C&B Operations–JD mower parts, 226.89; CHS/Farmers Alliance-firehall propane, 1343.05; Colonial Research–55 gal drum of Total Kill, 2944.66; Hofer, Robin–amb gas reimbursement, 159.01; Julson, Joan–shop & mowing gas reimbursement, 417.49; Menards–grass seed & lights for parks, shop supply, 328.41; Meyer Motor–microwave for firehall, 251.00; Post Master–water/sewer/garbage bill stamps, 80.00; Runnings–weed killer for parks, 98.97; Stern Oil–Legion Hall propane, 529.00; Total Stop–gas for shop pkups, mowers & fire trucks, 861.38.

Repairs & Maintenance: SD Assoc of Rural Water Systems,Inc-sludge judging equip at lagoon, 150.00.

Beer and Liquor (paid in May & reimbursed by The North 40): Beal Distributing Inc, 983.85; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 279.92; Republic National Dist Co, 386.25.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–copier lease agreement & extra copies, 79.43; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 500.00; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; Nordwald Rentals–July rent (Payable 07/01/22), 400.00; Petty Cash-stamps & laptops internet security, 63.14; RBS Sanitation-May garbage pick-up, 2565.00; RBS Sanitation-dumpster fees (Legion Hall, firehall, shop), 150.36; Rivers Edge Bank-Safe Deposit Box Rental, 30.00;

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SD Dept of Heath-EMS Program- amb service license renewal, 12.00; SD Dept Public Health Laboratory-water testing for May., 15.00; SD Dept of Revenue-Malt Bev License for Bridgewater Café, 150.00; SD Gov FO Assoc-2022 school registration, 75.00; SD State Treasurer-Apr garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.51), 230.16; SD 811-21 faxed locates, 23.52; Thaler, Barb-EMT class instructor & mileage, 133.00; The Special/New Century Press-May publishing, 381.81

Utilities (Paid in May): Golden West, 305.55; Hanson Rural Water, 4897.80; Xcel Energy, 1991.72.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 185.49; American Continental/Aetna-Medicare, 231.66; Cigna-Medicare Part D, 60.40; Health Pool of SD, 2026.70, Julson, Joan-monthly medicare reimbursement, 340.20.

Professional: Eich Law Office-May statement, 180.00

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