

**Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 7, 2022 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on Monday 11/07/2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Travis Holthaus. Answering roll call were Bob Anderson, Luke Burger, Tony Hofer, Travis Holthaus, Alicen Strombeck, and Mark Vondra. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, and Angie Dvorak.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No appointments for Mayor. President Holthaus continued on with meeting.

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 October 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The October 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 October Financial Statement. All voted aye. Motion carried. First reading of 2022 Supplemental Budget Ordinance #116 was done.

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

Maintenance Report by Letcher. 1) winterized parks; 2) 2 blocks on north Poplar graveled; 3) DGR Engineering surveyed alley on Juniper & Cedar by 5<sup>th</sup> St.

Public Input: Angie Dvorak discussed with the council about getting a street light by 5<sup>th</sup> & Poplar as it is a very dark area. Maintenance will look into. Finance Officer brought up that Jerry Paweltzki had asked about whether the duplex he plans on putting up on 5<sup>th</sup> street will need 1 or 2 meters? Council recommends 2. He also asked that area of 5<sup>th</sup> street be flagged for curb & gutter. At this time, Council sees no problem when time is appropriate.

Storm Sewer Phase 2: Nothing has been heard on the application for the CDBG grant.

Government Buildings/Municipal Liquor Store: the repairs to the bar furnace and walk-in cooler compressor were discussed and noted.

Law Enforcement: October report noted.

Parks & Recreation: \$18,000+ Wellmark award has been asked for but no definite decision has been made yet as to what to put it towards. The SD Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant application that is due the end of April 2023 will come out in Feb of 2023. This would be a 50/50 match grant that we would like to use to maximize the Wellmark award and any volunteer labor for our half of the match for whatever is decided to do at the park. Decisions will be made at a later time.

Planning & Zoning: Motion by Hofer, second by Anderson to approve building permit for Ryan & Haley Tieszen. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Vondra, second by Hofer to sign the update for the McCook Co Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. All voted aye. Motion carried.

2022-2023 Council Committees were updated as follows:

Law enforcement: Entire council

Health & Landfill: Entire council

Ambulance: Vondra-chair, Hofer, Burger

Government Buildings/Liquor store: Vondra-chair, Hofer, Holthaus

Parks & Recreation: Strombeck-chair, Holthaus, Anderson

Streets & Alleys: Anderson-chair, Burger, Hofer

Water & Sewer: Anderson-chair, Holthaus, Strombeck

Code Enforcement: Entire council

Other Boards:

Firehall Board: Anderson, Vondra

Planning & Zoning: Strombeck, Vondra

Motion by Strombeck, second by Anderson to continue the employee's health insurance with the SD Health Pool, Medicare and supplements as is. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Strombeck, second by Hofer to go into Executive Session for Employee Reviews & Negotiations (SDCL 1-25-2.4). Motion Carried. Time 7:37 pm. President Holthaus declared Executive Session over at 7:52 pm.

Motion by Strombeck, second by Burger to give a \$1.00 per hour increase for Julson and Letcher effective 1/1/23. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Vondra, second by Strombeck to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 7:55 pm.

Next regular meeting is Monday, December 5, 2022.

Travis Holthaus – Council President

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

**Claims:**

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 5019.82; Council 3666.91; Dump 178.10; Finance Office 1114.66; Fire 22.98; Liquor 657.80; Parks 838.78; Sewer 1008.74; Storm Sewer 40.22; Streets 1574.13; Water 974.29; EFTPS-October payroll taxes,2947.60; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 826.14.

Supplies: Hofer, Robin–amb gas reimbursement, 110.00; Julson, Joan–shop gas reimbursement (credit card statement), 195.29; McLeod’s–Minute book, 263.28; Menards–shop, streets, parks & bar supply, 402.15; Post Master–water/sewer/garbage bill stamps, 132.00; Stern Oil–shop pkup & diesel tank fill, 553.66.

Repairs & Maintenance: Anderson Trucking-710.11 T gravel & hauling to shop, 1<sup>st</sup> St & Poplar Ave, 9930.66; Heiman Inc–fire truck repairs, 3840.63; Krohmer Plumbing–automatic shut off installed for ansul system, 327.63; Mr G’s Tires Inc–skid steer tire repair, 58.00; Paul’s Repair All–bar furnace repair & walk-in cooler condenser install, 2391.84; Two Way Solutions, Inc–amb pager repair, 250.97.

Beer and Liquor (paid in October & reimbursed by The North 40): Beal Distributing Inc, 1223.30; Dakota Beverage Inc, 543.60; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, 1002.23; Republic National Distributing Co, 579.97.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc–copier lease agreement, 81.11; A-OX Welding Supply-Shop S Cylinder lease for 1 year, 50.45; Bridgewater Development Corp–monthly donation, 500.00; Charnel, Robert-water deposit return, 100.00; Fensel’s Flower Shop-funeral flowers/plants for amb, 40.00; Humboldt Fire & Amb. Services-ALS amb assist, 150.00; Julson, Jim-mileage to SDEMSA conference, 49.56; McCook County–Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; McCook Co Register of Deeds-Al Heiman variance filing (reimbursed by Heiman’s), 30.00; McKee, Dylan-balance of water deposit return, 50.97; Nordwald Rentals–December rent (Payable 12/01/22), 400.00; Petty Cash-stamps, 28.80; RBS Sanitation-Oct. garbage pick-up, 2565.00; RBS Sanitation-dumpster fees (Legion Hall, firehall, shop), 150.36; Rosenbauer-firetruck chassis (½ pd by BRFD) 86300.00; SD State Treasurer–Oct. garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$6.06), 398.23; SD 811-3 faxed locates, 3.36; SD Dept of Public Health Laboratory-water testing for Sept & Oct, 196.00; The Special/New Century Press-October publishing, 87.14; US Bank (ACH)-SRF water Loans #1 & #2, SRF Storm Sewer Loan #04 and SRF Sewer Loan #2 & #3, 35154.32.

Utilities (Paid in October): Golden West, 309.15; Hanson Rural Water 5574.00; Xcel Energy, 2041.68.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 185.49; American Continental/Aetna-Medicare, 252.57; Cigna-Medicare Part D, 60.40; Health Pool of SD, 2026.70, Julson, Joan-monthly Medicare reimbursement, 340.20.

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