

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2023 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on Monday 06/05/2023. 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 (phone). Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, Steve & Deana Prater, and Jerry Paweltzki.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No appointments for Mayor. President Holthaus continued 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 Burger to approve the May 8th regular meeting minutes. All 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 Vondra 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 Hofer, second by Burger to approve the May bills. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At 7:10 Public Hearing was held for the Conditional Use Permits. Motion by Strombeck, second by Hofer to recess council and reconvene as Board of Adjustment. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The following conditional use permit was discussed. No one in attendance had any comments or concerns. A motion was made by Strombeck, second by Burger to approve #105 Sean Luke – haying permit with the condition that the weeds are sprayed and trees are kept trimmed and the property kept free from branches & debris. Permits will be good for only 1 year if these conditions are met. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, second by Hofer to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Motion carried. Time 7:12 pm

Maintenance Report by Letcher. 1) mowing & weed spraying, 2) mosquito spraying.

Public Input: Jerry Paweltzki commented on the water pressure at his home and getting town cleaned up for the Alumni Banquet and school concerns. No further input, Council President Holthaus moved on.

Storm Sewer: DGR Engineering is still working on outfall line easements with landowners.

Streets & Alleys: Letcher reported that they should be starting to make the patch mix to be able to get potholes repaired.

Health & Landfill: The \$4.50 increase in garbage cost to the city was discussed, but no decision was made as to the customers increase yet. Tabled for July meeting. Finance Officer will check with other area towns on their charge for garbage.

Problems with the City Clean-up and what to do differently next year were discussed.

Law Enforcement: May report noted.

Ambulance: Motion by Hofer, second by Burger to sign the EMS Telemedicine Services Agreement with Avel eCare Medical Group. All voted aye. Motion carried. Avel contracts with other providers and affiliate health care facilities to provide remote telemedicine & telemedicine services.

Parks & Recreation: Strombeck heard today that we did not receive the grant thru AARP for the park project, but we are still waiting to hear on the LWCF grant application.

Code Enforcement: Vondra brought up the mowing, trimming and clean-up issues around town.

Planning & Zoning: Motion by Hofer, second by Burger to approve building permits for Schroeder Inc, Cody Craft, and Chad Addy. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Burger, second by Anderson to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:10 pm.

Next regular meeting is Monday, July 10, 2023.

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 4418.71; Dump 323.73; Finance Office 1175.33; Fire 71.94; Gov't Bldg 153.93; Liquor 273.93; Parks 1538.98; Sewer 1010.94; Storm Sewer 95.92; Streets 1705.59; Water 885.05; EFTPS-May payroll taxes, 5234.96; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 884.52.

Supplies: Anderson Trucking-2 loads of gravel & delivery, 751.37; Hofer, Robin-ambulance gas reimbursement (credit card statement), 125.00; Julson, Joan-shop gas reimbursement (credit card statement), 567.03; McKesson-amb supply, 233.22; Menards-shop supply, Legion Hall frig, fire dept supply, 1123.11; Office Max-paper & shop ink, 110.98; Post Master-WSG billing stamps, 144.00; Runnings-park supply, 189.98; Total Stop-fire truck gas, 58.83; Zabel Steel-shop supply, 16.50.

Repair & Maintenance: CMC-4th & Juniper sewer repair, 1391.62; Frontline Warning Systems-repair outdoor warning siren, 775.95.

Beer and Liquor (paid in May & reimbursed by The North 40): Beal Distributing Inc, 1004.00; Dakota Beverage, 489.50; Johnson Brothers Famous Brand, 368.00; Republic National Dist Co, 480.30

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc-copier lease agreement & extra copies, 88.37; Bridgewater Development Corp-monthly donation, 500.00; DANR-drinking water annual fee, 220.00; Julson, Joan-internet security renewal reimbursement, 53.24; McCook County-Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2112.50; McCook County Conservation District-14 trees, 588.00; Nordwald Rentals-July rent (Payable 07/01/23), 400.00; Petty Cash-shop printer ink, 80.99; RBS Sanitation-May garbage pick-up, 2565.00; RBS Sanitation-dumpster fees (Legion Hall, firehall, shop), 150.36; RBS Sanitation Inc-city wide clean-up roll-off dumpsters, 1100.00; Rivers Edge Bank-safe deposit box annual rental, 30.00; SD State Treasurer-May garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.24), 212.98; SD Gov't Finance Officers Assoc.-FO school registration, 75.00; SD 811-19 faxed locates for May, 21.28; Southeast Enterprise Facilitation Project (SEFP)-2023 Contribution, 2299.50; Speer, Greg- balance of water deposit return, 137.69; The Special/New Century Press-May publishing, 158.42.

Utilities (Paid in May): Golden West, 301.17; Hanson Rural Water 5141.40; Xcel Energy, 2813.94.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 311.46; American Continental/Aetna-Medicare, 252.57; Health Pool of SD, 2107.60, Julson, Joan-monthly Medicare & Part D reimbursement, 344.80; SD Public Assurance Alliance-adding 2023 Tanker Fire Truck until renewal, 515.56.

Professional: DGR Engineering-Professional Services thru 3/31/23, 36000.00.

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