

Bridgewater City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2024 7:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room for their regular meeting on Monday 06/10/2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Travis Holthaus. Answering roll call were Luke Burger, Tony Hofer, Travis Holthaus, Alicen Strombeck, and Mark Vondra. Absent Bob Anderson. Others present: Finance Officer-Joan Julson, Maintenance-Todd Letcher, Trent Bruce (DGR), Zach Pearson, and Jerry Paweltzki.

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 Vondra, second by Burger to approve the May 6th 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 Burger, second by Strombeck 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 Strombeck, second by Vondra to approve the May bills for payment. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Input: Zach Pearson asked about the progress on the dust control for the graveled area on 1st & Walnut. Jerry Paweltzki commented on the main street light poles & need for repair, lagoon fence needs repair on the east side, and speed sign for Hwy 262. Each item was discussed or taken under advisement. No more input, President Holthaus moved on.

Storm Sewer: Trent Bruce-DGR went over the Storm Sewer Project Phase 2 progress. Work out in the fields on the outfall line is pretty much done, contractor will not be intown for another week for intown work, and work still in progress at the detention pond along HWY 262. Motion by Strombeck, second by Burger to approve and sign Application 6 for H&W Contracting for \$237,213.00 for payment. All voted aye. Motion carried. This will be sent in for reimbursement.

Maintenance Report by Letcher: 1) new playset up at city park 2) getting city park buildings ready for painting 3) mosquito spraying.

At 7:50 Public Hearing was held for the Conditional Use Permits. Motion by Burger, second by Vondra to recess council and reconvene as Board of Adjustment. Roll call vote – all voted aye. Motion carried.

The following conditional use permits were discussed. A motion was made by Burger, second by Vondra to approve #119 Mary Ann Smith c/o Rhonda Smith–hayng; #120 Sean Luke–hayng. All with the condition that the weeds and trees are kept trimmed and the property kept free from branches & debris. These permits will be good for 5 years but can be revisited at anytime if any complaints are received. All voted aye. Motion carried. A motion by Strombeck, second by Burger to approve permits #121 Jamie Schryvers–ag activities (chickens) and #122 Mike & Kristy McKart-ag activities (chickens). Permit allows up to 10 chickens (no roosters, ducks, or other fowl), clean and enclosed pen, food stored in an enclosed container to not attract any rodents, and any complaint, the permit will be revisited. Permits will be good for only 1 year if these conditions are met. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Burger, second by Vondra to adjourn as the Board of Adjustment and reconvene as Council. Motion carried. Time 8:12 pm

Law Enforcement: May report received & noted.

Parks & Recreation: The surplus wooden playset at the city park was discussed. Motion by Vondra, second by Burger to set sealed bid opening for wooden playset at the city park for July 8, 2024 at the regular council meeting. Bids accepted until noon on July 8th with removal to be done within 2 weeks of bid letting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Strombeck brought up getting a 9-hole disc golf course set up at the city park. Motion by Burger, second by Strombeck to purchase 9-hole disc golf with an estimate of no more than \$4000 for the city park. All voted aye. Motion carried. Also discussed the park bathrooms and pickleball on the old tennis courts.

Code Enforcement: nuisance complaints were discussed and letters will be sent.

Planning & Zoning: Motion by Vondra, second by Burger to pass building permit for Carson Hofer. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Last years fireworks were discussed. Motion by Burger, second by Vondra to go up to \$3000 for fireworks this year. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Vondra, second by Hofer to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 8:37 pm.

Next regular meeting is Monday, July 8, 2024.

Travis Holthaus – Council President

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer

Claims:

Payroll by Dept.: Ambulance 4689.86; Dump 99.93; Finance Office 1852.01; Fire 50.48; Liquor 420.95; Mosquito 206.09; Parks 4776.18; Sewer 1711.80; Storm Sewer 612.00; Streets 1521.86; Water 1474.48; EFTPS-May payroll taxes, 6479.95; SD Retirement System-employee & city match, 1388.62.

Supplies: Anderson Trucking-park sand & gravel for dump road, 967.24; Freeman Lumber-park lumber, 84.66; Hofer, Robin-ambulance gas reimbursement (credit card statement), 148.00; Julson, Joan-shop gas (credit card statement), 418.29; McKesson-amb supply, 351.42; Menards-mostly park supply, 937.77; Sturdevants Auto Value- starter motor for pkup, 135.32.

Repairs & Maintenance: Benders Sewer & Drain-2 storm drains cleaning & camera inspect line, 1008.50; CMC Excavation Inc-repair storm sewer at 3rd & Oak, 2846.55; Hofer Construction-north fire dept commercial door & install, 2059.38; Schultz Electric-Hwy 42 & 262 light repair, 5800.92; Two Way Solutions-radio repair, 224.97; Weber Concrete-playground cement & labor, 2346.00.

Beer and Liquor (paid in May & reimbursed by The North 40): Beal Distributing Inc, 535.10; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands 317.57; Republic National Dist. 318.75.

Miscellaneous: A&B Business Inc-copier lease agreement, 92.67; Bridgewater Development Corp-monthly donation, 500.00; DANR-annual drinking water fee, 220.00; Julson, Joan-internet security reimbursement, 53.09; McCook County-Contracted Law Enforcement monthly payment, 2356.25; Nordwald Rentals-July rent (Payable 07/01/24), 400.00; Public Health Laboratory-wastewater testing for April, 95.00; RBS Sanitation-April garbage pick-up, 3420.00; RBS Sanitation-dumpster fees (Legion Hall, firehall, shop), 195.00; RBS Sanitation-city wide clean-up dumpsters, 1500.00; Rivers Edge Bank-annual safe deposit box rental, 30.00; SD 811-9 faxed locates for May, 10.08; SD State Treasurer-May garbage, etc. sales tax (We received a 1.5% allowance for timely payments - \$3.46), 227.48; The Special/New Century Press-May publishing, 130.15.

Utilities (Paid in May mid-month): Golden West, 300.32; Hanson Rural Water, 5005.03; Xcel Energy, 2097.42.

Insurance: AFLAC-reimbursed by employees, 311.46; Health Pool of SD, 2286.39, Julson, Joan-monthly Medicare, Supplement & Part D reimbursement, 650.66.

Professional: DGR Engineering-professional services through April, 23258.62; Eich Law Office-April thru May billing, 1.43; H&W Contracting LLC – Storm Sewer Project Phase 2-ARPA Payment #4, 557610.28.

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