

December 14, 2015 Minutes

The Howard City Council met in regular session on December 14, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Mayor Dold presided with Aldermen Feldhaus, Dufault, Leary and Karstens. Spader and Thompson were absent. City Attorney David Jencks was also present.

American Legion – John Esser & Jerry Adler

John Esser and Jerry Adler representing the American Legion met with the Council to discuss putting about 50 flags in Taschner's Park instead of putting them on the poles on Main Street. Before they pursue doing this, the City will contact DOT to make sure it would be permitted.

Easements – Tim Reisch Property

The Council reviewed the easements prepared by Jencks for electrical and water easements between Tim and Anne Reisch and the City. Next week when Tim Reisch is home Councilman Feldhaus and Supt. Gross will meet with Reisch and measure the area so all will be in agreement.

Revised Golf Course Lease

Kevin Shumaker was present to review the revised golf course lease with the Council. Karstens moved, Leary seconded and carried to authorize Mayor Dold to sign the lease.

Debris Management Plan

Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to adopt the debris management plan drafted by Emergency Director Calmus designating the debris site as burnable debris at the rubble site and rest of debris out by the lagoons.

Ordinance #692 – Water Rates

Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve the second reading of Ordinance #692, which will increase the water rates .30 per thousand gallons to cover Kingbrook's increase.

Quit Claim Deed

Miner County quit claims to the City of Howard lot four (4) of replat of lots seven (7) and eight (8) of the SE Qtr. (SE ¼) of section three (3), Township One Hundred Six (106) North, Range Fifty-six (56), West of the 5th P.M., Miner County, South Dakota. Dufault moved, Feldhaus seconded and carried to declare this property surplus. Mayor Dold appointed Alex Protsch, Tim Clarke and Tom Dold to appraise the property.

Electric Rates

The Council reviewed Heartland's estimated cost of the City's total power supply. Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded to raise the electric rates by 2% to cover the increase.

Voting aye were Feldhaus, Dufault and Karstens. Voting nay was Leary. The first reading of Ordinance #693 was read and approved.

Approval of Minutes, Reports and Claims

Dufault moved, Karstens seconded and carried to approve the minutes, reports and the following claims: A & B Business, repairs, 143.33; Avenet, prof fee, 450.00; Banyon, prof fee, 1590.00; Bobø Electric, repairs, 476.36; Central Electric, utilities, 40.00; County of Miner, warranty labor, 76.53; Cross Repair, repairs, 985.00; Dakotagas, supplies, 38.00; Dakota Pump, repairs, 9690.15; Danko, supplies, 573.76; Dawsonø, rental & sanitation, 12853.40; Kody Dawson, utilities, 45.00; East River, energy, 2722.44; Broadwinds, repairs, 306.14; Fastenal, supplies, 18.79; Petty Cash, deposit return, 173.21; Greg Gross, utilities, 45.00; Heartland, energy, 49876.64; Diane Hegarty, deposit return, 200.00; Homestead, supplies, 340.83; HFCA, supplies, 247.62; Jencks Law, prof fee, 575.00; Kingbrook, water, 6714.90; Lyle Signs, supplies, 396.78; Madison Daily Leader, publish, 268.80; Michael Todd, supplies, 527.59; Miner County Pioneer, publish, 273.15; Miner County Sheriff, contract law, 7000.00; Leon Neises, deposit return, 100.00; Office Peeps, supplies, 110.51; SD One Call, locates, 23.52; Pronto, supplies, 786.00; Ronø Bicycle, supplies, 150.00; S&S Contracting, repairs, 113.10; Signature Salon, deposit return, 151.79; Alliance, utilities, 341.00; Tomø Hardware, supplies, 360.68; WAPA, energy, 18197.63; Rheem Sales, supplies, 13315.47; Wesco, supplies, 3960.60; Winwater, repairs, 31.47.

Other Claims: Miner County Bank, WHSS, 4483.74; Avera, insurance, 1785.63; Cross Repair, repairs, 285.00; SD Housing, TIF payment, 10923.66; SDSRP, supplemental retirement, 150.00; Aflac, supplemental insurance, 67.80; Assurant, insurance, 54.95; Capital One, utilities & supplies, 190.39; SD Retirement, retirement, 1461.68.

Wages: Finance Office, 2318.44; electric, 3130.51; animal control, 159.70; library, 1131.20; cemetery, 280.98; council, 1204.73; custodian, 397.10; rubble site, 427.86; Streets, 3197.12.

Special Meeting

A special meeting will be held December 28th at 7:00 pm to approve all 2015 claims.

Employees

Supt. Gross hired Dave Cross for snow removal for a wage of \$15 per hour.

Finance Officer Klinkhammer informed the Council that Tom Poncellet plans on retiring at the end of the year.

Executive Session

Leary moved, Feldhaus seconded and carried to go into executive session to discuss wages and personnel matters.

Feldhaus moved, Leary seconded and carried to return to regular session.

There being no further business Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to adjourn to the December 28th special meeting at 7:00 pm.

Andrew Dold, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donna Klinkhammer
Finance Officer