

## **October 13, 2015 Minutes**

The Howard City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Mayor Dold presided with Aldermen Feldhaus, Spader, Karstens and Dufault. Leary and Thompson were absent. City Attorney David Jencks was also present.

### **Bids for Surplus Lot**

Three bids were received for the real property described as Lots 1 & 2, Block 7, Howard City Original Plat:

Laura Neises: \$601.00

Greg Gross: \$225.00

Eric Rentschler: \$1,150.00

Dufault moved, Feldhaus seconded and carried to accept the high bid from Eric Rentschler.

### **File Amended Assessment Roll**

Feldhaus moved, Karstens seconded and carried to approve the amended special assessment roll for the 2015 Street Project.

### **Discussion of the City Parks**

The City Council acknowledged a letter that was written to the City Board Members and Parks committee expressing disappointment of the maintenance and quality of Howard city parks and broken or outdated equipment. The letter also expressed concern for the safety and cleanliness of our parks for our kids. The Council will consider budgeting money for new equipment for smaller children. Supt. Gross has already fixed broken equipment that was made known to him.

### **Approval of Claims, Minutes and Reports**

Spader moved, Karstens seconded and carried to approve the minutes, reports and following claims: AMG Rural Clinics, other, 287.00; Avera Queen of Peace, other, 109.80; Banyon Data, prof fee, 795.00; Barnes & Noble, books, 346.02; Bierschbach Equip., supplies, 1978.62; Brookings Equip., repairs, 89.23; Campbell Supply, supplies, 457.90; Center Point, books, 40.14; Central Electric, utilities & repairs, 335.54; Cross Repair, repairs, 440.00; Dakota Body Shop, repairs, 372.00; Dawson, sanitation & repairs, 12940.29; Kody Dawson, utilities, 45.00; Dold, repairs, 98.80; East River, energy, 7603.83; Fastenal, supplies, 691.69; Petty Cash, supplies, deposit return & prof fee, 218.31; Greg Gross, utilities, 45.00; Heartland, energy, 28650.92; Jasmine Higgins, deposit return, 107.20; Homestead, supplies, 27.51; HFCA, supplies, 671.13; Ingram, books, 263.62; Jencks Law, prof fee, 575.00; Kingbrook, water, 8183.70; Klinkhammer Plumbing, repairs, 102.04; Madison Daily Leader, publish, 268.80; Merlin Moe Painting, repairs, 2297.32; Miner County Pioneer, publish, 278.75; Miner County Sheriff, contract

law, 7000.00; SD One Call, locates, 16.80; Pronto, supplies, 665.47; Register of Deeds, prof fee, 55.00; SD Federal Property, supplies, 461.75; SD Unemployment, tax, 41.23; SDSRP, supplemental retirement, 75.00; Servall, rental, 16.64; Alliance, utilities, 323.48; State of SD, prof fee, 147.00; Timmer, supplies, 1032.08; Tomø, supplies, 530.83; TrueNorthSteel, supplies, 536.22; WAPA, energy, 27344.30; Wesco, supplies, 15815.94; Winker, repairs, 1478.60; WinWater, supplies, 212.82.

**Other Claims:** Assurant, insurance, 54.95; Avera, insurance, 1785.63; Capital One, 155.81, supplies, 155.81; Steve Erickson, deposit return, 174.27; Petty Cash, deposit return, 75.73; NorthWestern, utilities, 508.22; Pitney Bowes, rental, 165.84; SDSRP, supplemental retirement, 75.00; Aflac, supplemental insurance, 67.80; Miner County Bank, WHSS, 2984.84; SD Retirement, retirement, 1461.68.

**Wages:** Finance Office, 2318.44; Street, 3197.12; Electric, 4081.73; Sewer, Animal Control, 265.90; Parks 458.03; Library, 995.24; Cemetery, 238.44; Council, 1204.73; Custodian, 595.66; Waste, 584.41.

**Parking Policy**

Tabled to the next regular meeting.

**Executive Session**

Spader moved, Dufault seconded and carried to go into executive session with Supt. Gross to discuss personnel matters.

Karstens moved, Dufault seconded to come out of executive session.

**Special Meeting**

A special meeting will be scheduled for October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for interviews.

There being no further business, Feldhaus moved, Spader seconded and carried to adjourn to October 26<sup>th</sup> special meeting at 7:00 pm.

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Andrew Dold, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donna Klinkhammer  
Finance Officer