

April 9, 2019 Minutes

The Howard City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 9th at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Mayor Donald Arens presided with Aldermen Greg Dufault, Gerald Adler, Bernard Feldhaus and Lynn Borgers.

Also present were Attorney Kristian Ellendorf and Assistant Attorney Kelly Kanaan.

Mayor Arens called the meeting to order. Motion by Borgers, seconded by Dufault and carried to approve the agenda.

Borgers moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the March 11th regular meeting.

Borgers moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve the following claims: Gerald Adler, professional fees and travel, 570.16; Alliance, utilities, 346.00; A-OX, supplies, 17.43; Don Arens, travel, 136.96; Bender's Sewer, repairs, 2151.00; Kate Calmus, travel, 70.16; Capital One, other expenses; 214.97; Clarke Machine, supplies, 24.00; Craig's Welding, repairs, 550.00; Dakota Pump, repairs, 53.88; Dan's Heating & Cooling, repairs, 679.69; Kody Dawson, utilities, 45.00; Dold Implement, repairs, 2355.08; Greg Dufault, travel, 70.16; Heartland Environmental, supplies, 180.31; Homestead, repairs, 38.49; Howard Auto Clinic, repairs, 132.50; Howard Farmers Coop, supplies, 2811.63; Infotech, professional fees, 485.00; Kingbrook Rural Water, utilities, 9666.90; Klinkhammer Plumbing, repairs, 302.98; Kramer Brothers, repairs, 315.18; Troy Loudenburg, utilities, 45.00; Miner County Recreation Assoc., baseball program, 3000.00; Midwest Fire Equipment, repairs, 109.32; Miner County Sheriff, contract law, 7210.00; Mumford & Protsch Law, professional fees, 1706.95; Office Peeps, supplies, 45.76; Olson's Pest, professional fees, 85.00; Omni-Pro Software, professional fees, 13484.00; SD One Call, locate services, 1.12; Reserve Account, postage, 600.00; Chad Podhradsky, utilities, 45.00; Presto-X, professional services, 556.86; Puthoff, repairs, 40.00; Rafferty Robbins, supplies, 13.06; RESCO, supplies, 1141.30; Sanitation Products, repairs, 2031.51; Schmit Pumping, repairs, 588.41; SD Dept. of Health, water of samples, 60.00; SDSRP, supplemental retirement, 150.00; Sturdevant's, supplies, 511.44; Sun Life Financial, insurance, 84.95; Jean Thompson, travel, 70.16; Tom's Hardware Hank, supplies, 174.65; WAPA, utilities, 14402.25; SD Unemployment, taxes, 15.27; **Other Claims:** Colonial, supplemental insurance, 336.52; EFPTS, WHSS, 1462.30; Avera, insurance, 2335.35; SD Child Support, child support, 600.00; Delta Dental, insurance, 220.00; Northwestern Energy, utilities, 900.31; Readers Den, books, 62.38; SDRS, retirement, 2457.14; Heartland, utilities, 78397.75; Miner County Pioneer, advertising, professional fees, 267.98; Central Electric, utilities, 91.00.

Wages: Finance Officer, 4663.50; Streets, 2554.06; Water, 1881.87; Electric, 3549.12; Sewer, 956.05; Library, 2302.81; Council, 1402.63; Custodians, 465.25; Snow, 1075.21; Animal Control, 159.70; Cemetery, 71.35.

Adler moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve the Financial, Electric and Water Reports and acknowledge receiving the Sheriff's Report. The Council reviewed the past due accounts report, Dufault moved, Adler seconded and carried to approve.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Representatives from Core & Main met with the Council to discuss water and electric meters.

Barb Young with the Women's Civic League met with the Council to discuss the possibility of donating a bench to the city on behalf of the league dismembering and dispersing

remaining funds to the community. Barb recommended putting the bench by the library, council agreed and advised Barb to get in contact with Streets Supervisor Chad Podhradsky to set up a time to deliver.

Mary Leary met with the Council to discuss RV Parking ordinance. Attorney Ellendorf and Council will look into amending ordinance 7-3-7 of the Municipal Code.

OLD BUSINESS:

A second reading of Ordinance #711 was heard. Borgers moved, Adler seconded and carried to approve the second reading.

The snow ordinance was discussed, Attorney Ellendorf asked for clarification on what specifically the council members want in the ordinance. Ellendorf will present in May.

Code Enforcement Officer Olson submitted an updated report as of 3/22/19. Ellendorf spoke to Olson and will continue to work with him.

Website redesign was brought up, Barb Young met with Council and offered her services and discussed helping us redo our website. Finance Officer Calmus is still looking into options for website and will revisit in May.

Alderman Adler advised the Council he spoke to Curt Eliason regarding the maintaining of the city wind turbines. Curt stated we should fix them rather than sell them, he would like the opportunity to work on them. Borgers moved to fix and Dufault seconded, and carried to approve Curt to fix the turbines.

NEW BUSINESS:

Aldermen requested that Sheriff Eggert could provide the City with their reports by the Thursday before Council Meeting, Eggert agreed to the request.

Street Supervisor Chad Podhradsky presented three bids that were received for the Sealed Chip Sealing project as follows:

The Road Guy Const., Inc., Cheap Seal \$1.30, Spot Seal \$2.00, Fog Seal \$1.50

Bituminous Paving, Cheap Seal \$1.84, Spot Seal \$1.84, Fog Seal \$.80

Topkote, Inc., Chip Seal \$1.21, Spot Seal \$2.00, Fog Seal \$.85

Chad recommended to accept the bid from Topkote Inc. Adler moved, Borgers seconded to approve bid acceptance.

Chad also noted Section Line had some coring done and Brad Stangohr will attend May's meeting with updates on the results. Chad also advised that he would like to paint double solid yellow lines on Main St after repairs are completed. Aldermen Borgers advised he would like to see signs put up in conjunction with the double yellow lines, Chad will look into it.

The following 2019 summer personnel will be hired as follows:

Austin Barnhart	Electric Dept.	9.60
Macey Erickson	Parks/Streets	9.85
Tisyn Spader	Parks/Streets	9.10
Colton Spader	Water/Sewer	9.60
Bruce Johnson	Rubble Site	12.00

Adler moved, Borgers seconded and carried to approve 2019 summer personnel.

The Following 2019 swimming pool personnel will be hired as follows:

Shelby Thompson	Head Lifeguard	12.10
Kamry Esser	Lifeguard	10.60
Bailey Rudebusch	Lifeguard	10.60
Austyn Smit	Lifeguard	10.10
Kyra Shumaker	Lifeguard	10.10
Casi Eliason	Lifeguard	9.35
Lexus Haak	Lifeguard	9.35
Presley Claussen	Lifeguard	9.35

Borgers moved, Default seconded and carried to hire swimming pool personnel.

The Council received a written notice from The Good Samaritan Society in regards to a 30 days' notice for intent to conduct a raffle.

The Council received email from ICap Transit Manager Scott Finck in regards to Transit Coordination Plan requesting that the city assist in paying for the coordination plan as in years past. Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve payment.

Council discussed holiday time off and advised to follow policy.

Attorney Ellendorf will look into Bankruptcy Filing for Dalmatian Fire Equipment in regards to city having personal interest. Chad Podhradsky will also follow up with the fire department in regards to this matter. Will review at next meeting.

There being no further business, Dufault moved, Borgers seconded and carried to adjourn to the May 13th meeting at 7:00 pm.

Donald M. Arens, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Calmus
Finance Officer