

June 10, 2019 Minutes

The Howard City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 10th, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. Mayor Donald Arens presided with Aldermen Greg Dufault, Gerald Adler, Bernard Feldhaus, Lynn Borgers, and Jean Thompson. Colby Tolk was absent as well as Attorney Kristian Ellendorf.

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

Dufault moved, Thompson seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the May 13th regular meeting.

After discussing claims with employees Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to approve the following claims: Aflac, supplemental insurance, 54.00; Alliance, utilities, 349.00; APPEARA, rental, 39.82; Bob's Electric, repairs, 669.56; Border States Elec., supplies, 53.92; Capital One, travel, supplies & other, 1320.92; Central Electric, utilities, 90.00; Michael Clary, training, 120.40; Presley Claussen, training, 225.00; Colonial Life, supplemental insurance, 336.52; Concrete Materials, prof fee, 1072.50; Core & Main, repairs, 80.64; Corner Pantry, other, 81.62; Dakota Pump, repairs, 2503.70; Dawson Construction, sanitation, 12073.09; Kody Dawson, utilities, 245.40; East River, energy, 6425.51; Hunter Eggert, training, 114.40; Kamry Esser, training, 90.00; Kevin Feldhaus, training, 114.40; Petty Cash, deposit return, supplies, other, 413.67; Gessner Welding, repairs, 1365.65; Lexus Haak, training, 225.00; Hafner Electric, repairs, 126.28; Homestead, supplies, 1234.92; HFCA, supplies, 6750.14; Infotech, prof fee, 435.00; K&W Construction, supplies, 1560.00; Kingbrook, water, 8383.50; Klinkhammer Plumbing, supplies, 869.84; Kramer Brothers, repairs, 918.37; Troy Loudenburg, utilities, 45.00; Marc, supplies, 1881.32; Alissa Metter, deposit return, 80.99; MC Dispatch, dispatch, 19250.00; MC Pioneer, publish, 464.73; MC Sheriff, contract law, 7210.00; Protsch Law, prof fee, 730.00; Olson Consulting, prof fee, 313.74; Office Peeps, supplies, 130.88; Omni-Pro, prof fee, 3136.00; SD One Call, locates, 11.20; Pitney Bowes, rental, 191.64; Chad Podhradsky, utilities, 165.40; R&R Drug, supplies, 4.99; Bailey Rudebusch, training, 90.00; Ken Ruml, training, 114.40; Rusty's, supplies, 61.18; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax, 6453.78; SD Federal Property, supplies, 20.00; Brandon Schwader, training, 120.40; SDDENR, dues, 650.00; SD Dept of Health, prof fee, 89.00; SD DMV, supplies, 11.20; SDML, training, 25.00; Rick Senner, training, 114.40; Kyra Shumaker, training, 90.00; Pronto, supplies, 966.39; Tom's Hardware, supplies, 926.65; Ulteig, prof fee, 20650.03; WAPA, energy, 15811.07; Winker Trenching, repairs, 1025.50; Kathy Zulk, supplies, 64.79.

Other Claims: Mid-American Research, supplies, 301.07; SD Housing, TIF payment, 10923.66; SDSRP, supplemental retirement, 150.00; Aflac, supplemental insurance, 54.00; EFTPS, WH&SS, 5236.81; Petty Cash, deposit return, 125.00; Avera, insurance, 2335.35; Child Support, child support, 600.00; Delta Dental, insurance, 220.00; NorthWestern, utilities, 232.03; Purchas Power, postage, 600.00; SD Retirement, retirement, 2111.90; Sun Life, insurance, 169.90.

Wages: Finance Officer, 4298.43; Streets, 2587.60; Water, 1898.32; Electric, 3411.40; Sewer, 915.30; Library, 2589.07 Council, 1267.94; Custodians, 395.98; Parks, 644.41; Animal Control, 159.70; Rubble Site, 492.67.

Feldhaus moved, Borgers seconded and carried to approve the Financial and Water Reports and acknowledge receiving the Sheriff's Report and Past Due accounts.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Miranda Bender with the Insurance Store, discussed liability & property insurance. Lynn Bren with the SDPAA also was present to discuss the City's current liability & property insurance. Renewal credits will be rewarded if renewal packet is received by July 10th.

Kevin Feldhaus, representing the Howard Fire Department, discussed burning a home by the 4-H grounds for the County. The department would like to use as fire training. Adler moved to allow the burning of the house, Feldhaus seconded and carried to approve.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clean up date was discussed for the Eugene Larson property. The Council would like the project to be completed by July 4th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Brad Stango from Ulteig discussed the bid letting from June 4th for the Section Line Project of removing the Asphalt Pavement, PC Concrete Fillets and Sidewalk, Construct PC Fillets and Sidewalk and place Asphalt Pavement. One bid was received from C. Eagle Construction, LLC in the amount of \$136,438.25. Stango recommended accepting the bid to update ADA Ramps. Feldhaus moved, Adler seconded and carried to award the bid to C. Eagle Construction, LLC.

Sheriff Eggert requested that he be notified when Donnerite claim has been settled. Eggert also brought up the burnouts on Main St. from the Car Show.

Avera Health Plans notified the City of a -4.07% premium change for the new premium effective July 1, 2019. Borgers moved, Thompson seconded and carried to renew the current policy again with Avera Health Plans.

Adler discussed the lot at the intersection of Main St. and Hwy 34 owned by Miner County Rural Museum. The City Council requested that the employees no longer mow or spray the lot. Borgers requested that Finance Officer Calmus contact the Museum Board.

Adler discussed the Cemetery Books and their upkeep. He requested that Kim Klinkhammer be hired to maintain the books. Borgers moved, Dufault seconded and carried to hire Kim Klinkhammer to maintain the books at a wage of \$100 per month.

Playground Bids were opened and read as follows:

Riley Schwader - \$573
Loren & Marlene Voeltz - \$562
Mike Reisch - \$427
Scott Stango - \$704
Ron Krempges - \$150

Borgers moved to accept the highest bid of \$704. Thompson seconded and motion carried. The equipment must be removed by June 28th by the bidder.

EMPLOYEES:

Lights on the Municipal Building were discussed. Borgers requested Kody Dawson to speak to Mike Hafner in regards to the lights.

Overtime for seasonal summer help that perform jobs other than a swimming pool was discussed. Anything over 40 hours per week will be paid time and a half.

The Council discussed a city logo. Finance Officer Calmus will work with Taylor Kiehl to come up with a design for the July meeting.

Motion by Adler, seconded by Dufault and carried to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2.

Feldhaus moved, Thompson seconded and carried to come out of executive session.

A special meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 17th at 6:30 pm to discuss personnel matters.

There being no further business, Thompson moved Borgers seconded and carried to adjourn.

Donald M. Arens, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kate Calmus
Finance Officer