

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Plankinton City Council met in regular session Monday, February 7, 2022. Mayor Staller called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council members present: Pam Vissia, Terry Schuldt, Jason Schurz, Jim Hickley. Absent was Brad Kehn. City employees present: Casey Schmidt, Darin Cranny and Chance Boyd. Visitors were J.P. Studeny from SD Mail and Joe Larsen. Jeff Briggs asked to be taken off as they were not ready. Mayor Staller entertained a motion to approve the agenda, with the addition of an executive session. Legal as per SDCL 1-25-2(3). Schuldt motioned to approve revised agenda. Seconded by Schurz. All voted aye. Motion carried.

No Public Comments

MURAL:

Joe Larsen presented his findings on the production of the mural. Joe was informed that they only needed a concept to apply for the grant. The council added that some of the input they got was to add the grain palace in the mural and no balloons. It was mentioned that several communities are starting to do more and more murals and the city could gain tourism and traffic from it. The council decided to put \$5,000.00 towards the arts council grant. Vissia made a motion to apply for funding from the Arts Council. Hinckley seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Staller entertained a motion to approve the January 10, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Vissia made a motion. Seconded by Schurz. All voted aye. Motion carried.

BILL APPROVAL

Mayor Staller entertained a motion to approve the Finance Officer to pay the bills. Hinckley motioned.

EFT BILLS PD. AFTER JAN. 10, 2021

BI-WEEKLY—PAY 2-- \$7,424.62; BI-WEEKLY— Pay 3-- \$7,313.95; F & M BANK—Jan. Bank Fee-- \$28.30; GREAT WESTERN BANK—Bkt Truck Loan-- \$3,186.19; HEARTLAND—Elec. Loan Payment-- \$2,483.36; IRS—PAY 2 & 3 941 Tax-- \$4,622.85; POSTALIA—Postage-- \$500.00; SDDL R—Unemployment-- \$49.86; SDDOR—Dec. Sales Tax-- \$12,031.75; SDRS—Retirement-- \$2,241.38; WEALTH MANAGEMENT TFM—Water/Sewer Loan-- \$19,009.17

BILLS PAID AFTER JAN. 10 ,2021 AUTHORIZATION

AVERA HEALTH PLANS—Empl. Ins.-- \$5,664.90; CORE & MAIN—Water Supp.-- \$529.54; CNH INDUSTRIAL—Mini Exac/Steer Lease-- \$1,346.54; CENTRAL ELECTRIC— Wheeling/Ramp Lighting-- \$2731.67; DELTA DENTAL—Empl. Ins.-- \$350.50; EVERSPRING INN—December Travel-- \$315.48; MENARDS—Elec/Shop Supplies-- \$173.80; SOUTH DAKOTA 811—Message Fees-- \$2.10; VERIZON—Tower Int./Surface Pro-- \$75.16; VISA—Supplies-- \$1,762.58

BILLS TO PAY AFTER FEBRUARY 7, 2022, MEETING

ALAN BIRMEIER—Meter Dep. Reimb.-- \$21.33; A&B BUSINESS—Copier Contract-- \$143.84; AFLAC—Empl. Vol. Ins.-- \$343.27; ARAMARK—Rug Contract-- \$26.33; AURORA-BRULE WATER—January Water Purch.-- \$5,850.70; BORDER STATES—Elec Supplies-- \$843.72; CITY OF PLANKINTON—Meter Dep. Applied to bill-- \$228.67; CITY OF PLANKINTON—Meter Dep. Applied to final bill-- \$250.00; CODY HIGH

ELK—Bill Reimb.-- \$2.98; DGR & ASSOC.—System Conversion Maps-- \$354.00; DSG—Pool Supplies-- \$765.73; EAST RIVER – JANUARY WHEELING FEES-- \$7553.20; GOLDEN WEST—UTL-- \$385.73; MC & R POOLS—Heat Pumps-- \$12,710.00; MCLEODS—Office Supploes-- \$295.90; MENARDS—Pool Supplies-- \$1,420.16; MMUA—Elec Schooling-- \$2,750.00; PLANKINTON LUMBER—Elec/Shop Supplies-- \$326.45; ROADSIDE—Fuel Purchase-- \$200.88; RUNNINGS—Supplies-- \$139.94; SD DOT—Fuel Purchase-- \$902.41; SD MAIL—Publishing-- \$1,009.81; SUNFLOWER ETC.—Bouquet for Retirement party-- \$47.93; WAPA – JANUARY POWER PURCHASE-- \$17,831.30

COUNCIL VACANCIES

Mayor Staller let everybody know that all wards are up. They have until February 24th to get their petitions and until February 25th at 5:00pm to turn the completed forms in.

FIRE HALL ROOF QUOTES

Mayor Staller would like to wait on this until next month. The price on the last quote given was only good for 15 days so we will ask for an extension on that. Mayor Staller asked for the Finance Office to contact our contractor on this. No action taken.

FIRST READING SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ORDINANCE #2022-1

Mayor mentioned we had to take a little money out of the water fund to move to the general fund to make up for where the budget was short in a couple departments for last years expenditures. Vissia motioned. Schuldt seconded. All voted aye. Motion to approve first reading carried.

FIRST READING FLOOD ORDINANCE:

There are no major changes done. Most changes were made to the east side of town due to it being in a flood plain. Mayor said they wanted to do it right this time to avoid past situations. Hinckley motioned. Vissia seconded. All voted aye. Motion to approve first reading carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP:

A 2022 Fire Department membership roll was received by the Fire Dept. The roster includes Jeff Briggs, Rodney Weber, Scott Black, Clint Bultsma, Terry Bush, Cale Westendorf, Brad Kehn, Travis Fink, Steven Nussbaum,, Dan Geiman, Paul Coon, Brian Ries, Skyler Kehn, Jason Schurz, Colin Spinar, Derik Koch, Preston O’Day, Jordan HighElk and Zach Scott. Mayor noted the cities thanks to our firefighters and EMTs.

2021 FINANCEIAL STATEMENTS:

All Financial Statements were received except the Fire Department financial statement. The Finance Officer will get in touch with the Fire Department to get this.

CEMETERY MOWING:

Clay Brouwer sent in the only bid for 2021 cemetery mowing. The bid was \$12,500 for 10 mowing. \$1,250 per mowing. Vissia motioned. Schurz seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.

GRASSLAND MOWING:

Dustin and Darren Hohn sent a bid for \$901.69. Tucker and Trent Greene sent in a bid for \$800.00. Hinckley made a motion to accept the Hohn bid. Seconded by Schuldt. All voted aye. Motion carried.

CROPLAND/FARMLAND:

Rodney Faulhaber sent in a bid for \$2,361.75 per year. Trent Greene bid \$2,000 per year. Justin Krell bid \$2,514.50 per year. Hinckley made a motion to accept the Krell bid. Seconded by Vissia. All voted aye. Motion carried.

LIFEGUARD APPLICATIONS:

Four applications have been received. They will start doing interviews but will still accept applications.

SUMMER HELP:

There are three applications. Darin mentioned that having two would be nice. They will start interviews.

BUILDING PERMITS:

Building Inspector was not present to approve these permits.

STREET SUPT. REPORT:

Darin reported that he got the air tank replaced on the plow truck. He also discussed how rusted out the truck is and that the frame is buckling. He suggested looking at a new plow for the pickup or maybe looking for a plow truck that comes in at surplus. A new plow for the truck would cost as much as the one he is looking into at surplus. He just knows the truck they have now will not be reliable much longer. The plow on the truck is over 20 years old. Darin also reported that he took in a sealed bid to Parkston for a street sweeper. The old street sweeper will take around \$10,000.00 to fix. They will call with information on Wednesday. He spent some time figuring out streets for the street seal bid. He really doesn't want to seal any streets that have a sewer line under them but plans on patching up some of the bad areas. He came up with thirty blocks that need to be done. Darin has spent quite a bit of time planning and shopping for pool supplies. They took the heaters to the pool the day after Barry brought them back from Sioux Falls and started running pipe to them. He spent about a day cleaning up both RU sites in town. The pits were all pushed in and leveled off. They cannot burn the tree pile until we get moisture. Chance and Darin tried to do a little planning for that new elevator bin they want to put up. They are supposed to mark it out soon so they can plan more. There are some things they need to look at before this gets approved.

ELECTRICAL SUPT. REPORT:

Chance reported that there were 3 outages this month. He called to set up a bucket truck inspection. The electrical inventory got done and he updated/organized the list. He got a couple different quotes for some boring he wants to get done this year. John Clem from District 3 emailed about a new round of FEMA money coming and said that it included storm sirens. There will be an estimated 2.7 million available and would pay up to 85% on the project cost. The paperwork will come in later this spring to sign and get sent in. He will have to get new quotes as prices have increased. They would be looking at it for a 2023 project. The storm siren behind TJ's shop got hit by lightning in August and he talked to the insurance company last week and filled out paperwork on it. He also got quotes for this and found it may be beneficial to pull the siren down and have it looked at by somebody in Armour as the motor most likely won't be good anymore. Chance reported that they got a new heater for the shop as one of them hasn't been working since he has been there. Chance has been looking at some used Vac trailers. He would like to go look at a few of them. He says it would be a huge benefit to have their own for the amount of underground they do. They could also use it for other things such as cleaning drains, cleaning main valves, curb stop and cleaning pool in the spring. He reported that he requested a quote for another pad mount switch. Prices have increased greatly on them. We bought five awhile back for \$12,500 each and they are now around \$20,000 and almost a year wait time. We have one spare right

now but have a project that could use it for the summer. It would be nice to always keep at least one in stock in case one fails, or one get run into.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor Staller reported that the yearly audit for the annual report went great. The two-year audit will be in June. He reported that the state is coming up with new funding so we can put in an application for the grant for the west side park bathroom again. The soccer field is about done, and people are excited for it. The Agriculture Natural Resource approved dumpsite for 5 years. Passenger Train on Railroad will be discussed on March 1, 2022 in Mitchell. They would like it to go through and asked for our approval. Nobody applied for the dump site. The District 4 meeting in Plankinton will be March 24th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Legal as per SDCL 1-25-2(3):

Mayor Staller entertained a motion to enter Legal Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2(3). Vissia motioned to enter executive session at 8.08pm. Seconded by Hinckley.

Executive session ended at 8:19pm. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Joe Staller, Mayor _____

Kylee Urban, Finance Officer _____