

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Plankinton city council met in special session on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Members present included Mayor Brad Kehn, councilmembers Jason Schurz, Terry Schuldt, Magdalena Popek-Hurst, Carl Bode and Jim Nielsen. City employees present were Kylee Urban and Darin Cranny. Visitors were JP Studeny, Skyler Kehn and Nathan Kafer (State of SD forester). Mayor Kehn called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Kehn asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of new councilmember and addition of baby pool. Bode made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. All voted aye. Motion carried.

## BILLS TO PAY

Nielsen made a motion to approve the bills to pay. Seconded by Bode. All voted aye. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY-POWER PURCHASE-\$17516.51; AURORA BRULE WATER-WATER PURCHASE-\$7146.70; ROADSIDE-FUEL PURCHASE-\$150.42; SD 811-MESSAGE FEES-\$2.10; TECH SOLUTIONS-IT CONTRACT-\$695.00; BARNES & NOBLE-BOOK PURCHASE-\$22.40; STEVES WELDING-GRAPPLE REPAIR-\$47.72; OVERWEG AUTO-REPAIRS-\$495.97; BORDER STATES-ELECTRICAL SUPPLY-\$67.44; TITAN MACHINERY-EQUIPMENT LEASE-\$1558.48; PLANKINTON LUMBER-FIRE HALL ROOF-\$33130.67; VERIZON WIRELESS-TOWER INT/SURFACE PRO-\$79.12; CENTRAL ELECTRIC-WHEELING FEES/REAMP LIGHTING-\$2775.29;ARAMARK-RUG CONTRACT-\$28.96; PLANKINTON SERVICE CLUB-ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP-\$35.00; IRBY-ELECTRICAL SUPPLY-\$500.00; GOLDENWEST-UTILITIES-\$475.66; PLANKINTON AMBULANCE ASSOC-ANNUAL FUNDING-\$5000.00;

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Schuldt made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. All voted aye. Motion carried.

## WATER RATE INCREASE RESOLUTION

Mayor Kehn asked the council to look this over and we will approve this at the next meeting if there are no changes.

## TREE PLANTING

A SD state forester, Nathan Kafer, came to the meeting to explain a program the state can do to help us with our reforestation. Councilmember Magdalena Popek-Hurst drove around with him and looked at the sites that would be best to start. Nathan suggested we start at the parks and the school. He went on to explain all the benefits of the program and what all is included. The city will decide if they want to start this program and will be in touch with him.

## HYDROLOGY STUDY

Skyler Kehn, Aurora County Emergency Management, attended the meeting to discuss the hydrology study the county has been working on. This study is to reduce flooding in the city to avoid the last flooding the city had. It includes adding culverts where they are needed. This is a project the city,

railroad and county will need to agree on. FEMA is currently doing a cost study analysis as well. Skyler asked for the board's approval to move on with trying for a grant for the project. Approving the cost share will be at a later date. Nielsen made a motion to continue with the project. Seconded by Schuldt. All voted aye. Motion carried.

#### LIFEGUARD HIRING

Lifeguard interviews were held Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Popek-Hurst made a motion to hire Carter Davis at \$14.50, Alexis Hauge at \$12.50, Gage Baker at \$12.50, Vanessa Hoffman at \$13.00, and Paxton Nedved at \$12.00. Seconded by Nielsen. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Schurz also mentioned there will need to be some changes made to the pool handbook, Bode agreed and had a list of certain changes. These changes will be made and approved next meeting.

#### BABY POOL

Darin reported to the council the changes and costs that will need to be made to get the baby pool in working order. He came up with a plan to fix the underground piping and reroute some of the water circulation so it is on its own system and this should be a permanent fix for the baby pool. The estimated cost will be around \$10000.00. Schurz made a motion to move along with the baby pool repair. Seconded by Bode. All voted aye. Motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL

Mayor Kehn made a motion to enter Executive Session Personnel as per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with city employee Kylee Urban joining. Schurz made a motion to enter executive session at 7:46pm. Seconded by Nielsen. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Kehn declared the council out of executive session at 7:50pm. No action taken.

#### MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Kehn reported that we are looking into our IT contracts and seeing if there are better options out there. We are continuing the search for timeclocks as well. We will be getting an IPAD for council use. This will be shared with all council members, Jason will use it most for building inspector and if there are any nuisance photos that need to be taken, please do so with the ipad. He also let the council know that we are looking around to see if there are any type of grants around that could aid in Spanish to English and English to Spanish teaching. Being such a diverse community this would benefit many greatly. Magdalena Popek-Hurst said she would help look into this as well.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm