

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Plankinton city council met in special session on Monday, April 22nd, 2024. Members present included Mayor Brad Kehn, councilmembers Jason Schurz, Carl Bode, Terry Schuldt, Magdalena Popek-Hurst and Jack Marette (via zoom). City employees were Kylee Urban, Cindy Geiman and Darin Cranny. Visitors were Ashley Olsen, JP Studeny, Brent Jones, and Jim Nielsen. Mayor Kehn called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

BILLS TO PAY

Popek-Hurst made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Schurz. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A&B BUSINESS-EQUIP LEASING-\$306.34; A&B BUSINESS IT-IT CONTRACT-\$495.96; A-OX WELDING-SUPPLIES-\$210.95; AFLAC-EMP. VOL. INS.-\$363.10; ARAMARK-RUG CONTRACT-\$35.97; AVERA HEALTH PLANS-EMP. HEALTH INS.-\$5435.00; BARNES & NOBLE-BOOK PURCHASES-\$143.33; BARRY GEIMAN-MEAL REIMB-\$42.00; BELL BANK-SKID STEER LEASE-\$867.73; BULTSMA AGENCY-2024 PICKUP INS-\$490.00; C&B OPERATIONS-SWEEPER REPAIR-\$654.67; CENTRAL ELECTRIC-WHEELING FEES-\$1987.78; CORE&MAIN-ELEC METERS-\$50.00; DARIN CRANNY-MEAL REIMB-\$37.00; DELTA DENTAL-EMP. DENTAL INS-\$378.20; DEPT OF ENERGY-POWER PURCHASE-\$17624.55; EAST RIVER ELEC-WHEELING FEES-\$5758.56; F&M BANK-BANK FEES-\$7.55; GERRITT OVERWEG GRAVEL-GRAVEL-\$1879.32; HEARTLAND ENERGY-POWER PURCHASE-\$39480.56; IRBY-ELEC SUPPLIES-\$4456.75; J HARLEN CO.-ELEC SUPPLIES-\$304.15; L&L SANITATION-GARBAGE SERVICES-\$60.00; MENARDS-SHOP BATHROOM REMODEL-\$118.52; OVERWEG AUTO-REPAIRS-\$160.92; RONS MARKET-SUPPLIES-\$105.64; SD 811-MESSAGE FEES-\$10.50; SD DEPT OF HEALTH-WATER TESTING-\$164.00; SD DOT-FUEL PURCHASES-\$617.25; SD FIN. OFFICER ASSOC.-F.O. SCHOOL REGISTRATION-\$200.00; SD HUMAN RES. ASSOC.-HR SCHOOL REGISTRATION-\$200.00; SDRS SUPPLEMENTAL-EMP. SUPP. RETIREMENT-\$160.00; VERIZON WIRELESS-TOWER INT/SURFACE PRO-\$79.12; VISION SERVICE PLAN-EMP. VISION INS.-\$334.52; WEALTH MANAGEMENT-WATER LOAN-\$7818.59; WEALTH MANAGEMENT-SEWER LOAN-\$11190.58; WINTER-CARBIDE CUTTING KIT-\$1433.25

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bode made a motion to approve the April 2nd, 2024, meeting minutes. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. All voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-NONE

SUMMER REC

Ashley Olsen came in to discuss with the council all that they are doing at the ballfield. She explained that they have purchased the playground equipment and are working to make an enclosure on this as well to keep kids safe from foul balls. She informed the council that Chris Hill has purchase over \$1500.00 worth of equipment for the summer rec program. She let the council

know they also still would like to get some other things that include another Chalker. Mayor Kehn suggested to the council that the city gives the summer rec committee \$20,000 of funds from ARPA. Also go ahead with construction of a picnic shelter at around \$8,300.00 and reimburse the school for \$4,000.00 for the fence they are purchasing. Ashley Olsen informed the council that they are trying to beef up the facilities, so they can host more tournaments in the future. Popek-Hurst made a motion to fund the rec committee with \$20,000, build the picnic shelter for around \$8,300.00 and reimburse the school for the \$4,000.00. Seconded by Bode. All voted aye. Motion carried.

COACH HIRING

Finance officer, Kylee Urban, went through the list of suggested coaches for summer rec. Ireland Clemens, 10U softball; Travis Olsen, Teeners assistant; Andy Tipton, 8U softball; Rachel Pata, 12U softball; Michael Salgado, 8U baseball; Kyle Bruinsma, 10U-12U baseball; Chris Hill, Teeners coach.

Popek-Hurst made a motion to hire all listed coaches at \$1250.00 per coach per team. Seconded by Bode. All voted aye. Motion carried.

GF&P CONTRACT

Brent Jones started off by informing the council they are working on the jail pond trying to get everything ready for the fishery and the dock to be installed. They are receiving help from Zach Scott Construction to get things ready as well. Jones let the council know there will be some muck on the roads due to digging it out of the bottom. Mayor Kehn informed the council the GF&P contract was sent to our attorney, and he was okay with us signing it as it is a standard GF&P contract. Schurz was concerned with some wording of the city being held responsible after the life of the dock. Brent Jones and Jim Nielsen explained the life is usually around 5-10 years and after that the VFW would help raise money to make the necessary updates to the dock.

Schurz made a motion to sign the GF&P contract. Seconded by Murette. All voted aye. Motion carried.

SEWER PROJECT-STREETS

Darin Cranny, Maint. Supt., informed the council that there was a pre-construction meeting the Monday before. He let the council know a question from the engineer is which type of streets we would like to do. The two options are a courser stronger street or a weaker fine finish road. The council agreed it is best to make the courser stronger road as it will not be noticeable once chip seal is done in the upcoming years. Mayor Kehn also informed the council he hopes to get the contractor involved and have a public meeting to explain to citizens what is going on with the project.

PACKER PURCHASE

Darin explained to the council that we could really use this packer before the sewer project starts so Chance can lay pipes for electrical, so he doesn't have to go back and tear up the road in the future. Also explained it would be split between multiple departments as it takes them about 4-5 times of filling each hole on the road because they are not able to pack anything down when doing

them. The Packer is \$6,000.00. Schurz made a motion to purchase the packer. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. All voted aye. Motion carried.

SUMMER HELP

Finance Officer Kylee informed the council there was one interview conducted but the candidate backed out. There will be another interview with an individual who has worked in this position before on Tuesday night.

LIFEGUARD HIRES

Popek-Hurst made a motion to hire Celina Trisco and Macayla Gerlach as first year lifeguards at \$14.00/hr, Jacey Kemp as second year lifeguard at \$15.00/hr and Vanessa Hoffman as fourth year part time lifeguard at \$18.00/hr. Seconded by Schuldt. All voted aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-PERSONNEL

Mayor Kehn entertained a motion to enter executive session-personnel as pers SDCL 1-25-2(1). Schuldt made a motion to enter executive session. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. All voted aye. Motion carried. The council entered executive session at 7:38pm

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

CITY HALL FLOORING

Finance officer, Kylee Urban explained to the council that some of the city workers tore out an old oven in the kitchen and this led to the discovery of suspected asbestos flooring. After looking around it was determined that there could be asbestos flooring widely throughout the building. Mayor Kehn explained he's been trained on this type of flooring, and it needs to be removed if it is exposed and chipped in any way and we will have to have somebody come in.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-LEGAL

Mayor Kehn entertained a motion to enter executive session legal as per SDCL 1-25-2(3). Bode made a motion to enter the executive session. Seconded by Popek-Hurst. The council entered executive session at 7:58pm.

Mayor Kehn declared the council out of executive session at 8:26pm with no action taken.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT

Mayor Kehn said the council has decided it will not renew the Contract of law for next year until we reach an amount that reflects the services we require. JP Studeny asked what specific needs? Mayor Kehn said we will let you know once we get it together. Bode mentioned there is no issue with level of services, just an issue with funding.

BUILDING PERMIT

Magdalena & Jeremy Hurst-304 E 1ST ST-DRIVEWAY/SIDEWALK-APPROVED

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Kehn informed the council that he would like all of them to start thinking about ideas on what to do for Spring clean up because the guys are going to be very busy with all the other projects going on. Nothing is set in stone; we just need suggestions.

ADDITIONAL CONVERSATION

Marette informed the council and mayor he was concerned with the lack of information given to the public about all projects going on. He would like to see updates being given out in the newspaper somehow. Mayor Kehn asked JP Studeny, SD Mail, if it is possible to do an article every once in awhile like this. JP Studeny will get in touch on how we can go about the articles.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38pm