

City Council Proceedings

The Plankinton City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 3, 2019. Mayor John J Staller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call recorded the following members present: Pam Vissia, Brad Kehn, Susan Steele, Jim Hinckley & Terry Schuldt. City employees present were Darin Cranny, Jeanette Smith & Chance Boyd. Visitors present were Alan Birmeier, Melissa Davis, Jeff & Natalie Briggs. Representing South Dakota Mail was JP Studeny.

No public comments were noted.

Vissia moved to approve the amended agenda, with a second from Kehn. All voted aye, motion carried.

Pool committee member Melissa Davis gave an update on the fundraising efforts. The Queen of Hearts was picked last Friday so a new game will start soon; they will be doing a yard sale during Scavenger's Journey & are asking for donations; they did not receive a grant from WalMart so they will keep looking for other grants that are available; Lindsey Weich is interested in leading water aerobics again this summer & will coordinate this with the head lifeguard.

Vissia moved to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2019 regular meeting, with a second from Kehn. All voted aye, motion carried.

Kehn moved to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2019 special meeting, with a second from Schuldt. All voted aye, motion carried.

Hinckley moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2019 special meeting, with a second from Schuldt. All voted aye, motion carried.

Kehn moved to approve payment of the following: Postalia TDC-postage-500.00; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-144.16; Fernando Flores Venancio-meter dep refund-105.84; AFLAC-employee vol insurance-154.14; East River Electric-April wheeling fees-4088.70; Verizon Wireless-cell phone billing-31.45; The Guardian Life Ins Co-employee life insurance-359.92; ROCS-Senior Meals-671.16; Heartland Consumers Power Dist-April power purchase-32,432.34; Delta Dental of SD-employee dental insurance-274.80; Central Electric-April wheeling fees-1659.24; Avera Health Plan-employee health insurance-6515.64; A&B Business Solution-copier contract-118.81; Dept of Energy-April power purchase-13,413.62; Avera Queen of Peace-drug testing-296.65; SD Dept of Revenue-April sales tax due-5067.52; May Bi-weekly payroll-23,791.74; IRS-May 941 taxes-9039.83; May Supp Ret-6037.24; SDRS-May retirement-4415.71; May Bi-Weekly payroll-parks/cemetery-1449.73; AmeriPride-rug contract-30.98; Avera Occ Med-drug testing-193.10; Banyon Data Systems-utility billing support-590.00; Bender's-sewer rep/maint-1437.00; C&B Operations-rep/maint-189.43; Campbell's-safety clothing-174.78; Central Electric-electric rep/maint-360.41; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-250.00; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-245.25; Sandra Rubio-meter dep refund-4.75; Clay Brouwer-3 cemetery mowings-3600.00; Colonial Research-parks supp/mat-149.22; Core & Main-electrical project-3697.28; DGR Engineering-electrical project-367.50; Dollar General-pool supp/mat-38.00; Horizon Health Care-employee hep B shots-468.00; Ind Viking Glass-rep/maint-211.81; M&T Fire & Safety-fire dept supp/mat-2653.00.; Menards-supp/mat-42.27; Mike's Const-garbage billing-60.00; Plankinton Fire Dept-fire protection services-10,000.00; RESCO-electrical project-1837.00; Roadside 66 Service-supp/mat-639.41; Ron's Market-supp/mat-90.14; SPN & Assoc-water project engineering-321.25; SD Dept of Health-sewer discharge testing-44.00; SD DOT-supp/mat-389.69; SD Federal Prop-supp/mat-156.00; SD One Call-

message fees-11.55; Stitch-N-Time-safety clothing embroidery-60.00. VISA-supp/mat-1002.79; Zach Scott Const-pump meter pits-229.72; South Dakota Mail-May legal publishing-1116.87; Aurora/Brule Rural Water-May water purchase & debt retirement-6913.30; Tech Solutions-June billing-690.00; MC&R Pools-supp/mat-596.53; Stuart C Irby-supp/mat-740.00; Golden West Tele-June billing-416.52; Hawkins, Inc-rep/maint-721.37. Hinckley seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

A draft of a revised garbage ordinance was reviewed. After discussion, it was noted that some revisions still need to be made. No action taken.

At 7:00 pm a public hearing was held for consideration of the following:

Vissia moved to approve the following:

RESOLUTION 6-3-19

WHEREAS, the verified Petition and Consent in writing of Vernon and Mary Niles; Howard and Sharon Weischedel; Michael D. and Erin Thomas; Pleasant Lake Veterinary Clinic, P.C.; Susan R. DeVaney, f/k/a Susan R Klein, and Diane F. Scott in due and proper form, requesting the Governing Body of the City of Plankinton to vacate the 16 foot alley running east and west in Block 8 of East Addition to the Town Site of Plankinton, which runs between Lots 14 through 19 on the north side thereof and Lots 8 through 13 on the south side thereof, the western border of said alley being the extended west lot lines between Lots 13 and 14, and the eastern border thereof between the extended east lot lines of Lots 8 and 19 thereof, were presented to the City Council of Plankinton, South Dakota, in regular meeting assembled on the 6th day of May, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, this Council did thereupon consider said Petition and did find that said Petition and Consent in writing requesting and consenting to the vacation of said alley as aforesaid was signed and verified by all the owners of the property abutting the alley sought to be vacated; and,

WHEREAS, this Council did, by proper motion, made, seconded and carried, in regular meeting assembled on the 6th day of May, 2019, deem it expedient and proper that the matter be proceeded with and did order that the said Petition be filed with the City Finance Officer and did order said City Finance Officer to give notice of a hearing thereon, by publication, as required by law, that said Petition had been filed and that the same would be heard and considered by the Governing Body of said City on the 3rd day of June, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Chambers of the City Council of the City of Plankinton, South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, said council did meet to consider and hear said Petition on the said 3rd day of June, 2019 at the time and place specified in said Notice, and that said Petition was duly heard and considered by this Council, and no one appearing in opposition to said Petition, and there having been no objections presented to the granting of said Petition, in writing or otherwise; and,

WHEREAS, this Council having duly heard and considered said Petition finds:

1. That due notice of the hearing of said Petition was given by the City Finance Officer by publication of a Notice thereof in the form as provided by law in the South Dakota Mail, a newspaper printed and published in the City of Plankinton, South Dakota, for two (2) successive weeks, to-wit: May 16, 2019 and May 23, 2019.
2. That the hearing for the approval of the vacation of the alley as aforesaid is being held on June 3, 2019 which is not less than 10 days from the last publication of the Notice of Hearing said Petition, which said publication occurred on May 23, 2019.

3. That the Petitioners, Vernon and Mary Niles; Howard and Sharon Weischedel; Michael D. and Erin Thomas; Pleasant Lake Veterinary Clinic, P.C.; Susan R. DeVaney, f/k/a Susan R. Klein, and Diane F. Scott are the owners of all of the property abutting the alley requested to be vacated and that they as such owners have requested that the said alley be vacated and filed a Consent in writing to the vacation of said alley and which Consent is attached and made a part of said Petition.
4. That at the hearing there was sufficient evidence to establish that none of the alley, or any part thereof, sought to be vacated has been used, worked, maintained or traveled as a street or alley during the twenty (20) years preceding this meeting and since the recording of the plat thereof, and that the said alley is serving no public need, necessity or purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body, to-wit: the City Council of the City of Plankinton, South Dakota, in regular adjourned meeting on the 3rd day of June, 2019 that all of the 16 foot alley running east and west Block 8 of East Addition to the Town Site of Plankinton, Aurora County, South Dakota, which runs between Lots 14 through 19 on the north side thereof and Lots 8 through 13 on the south side thereof, the western border of said alley being the extended west lot lines between Lots 13 and 14, and the eastern border thereof between the extended east lot lines of Lots 8 and 19 thereof, be and the same is hereby declared vacated.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of June, 2019.

John J Staller
Mayor of the City of Plankinton, South Dakota

ATTEST: _____

Jeanette Smith, Finance Officer of the
City of Plankinton, South Dakota

Steele seconded the motion. Roll call recorded the following: Vissia, Kehn, Steele, Hinckley & Schuldt, aye; naye, none. Motion carried.

Hinckley moved to approve the Heartland Consumers Power District renewal of the Integrated Resource Plan, with a second from Schuldt. All voted aye, motion carried.

After discussion, Steele moved to purchase a security system from On Sight 24/7 for City Hall, with a second from Vissia. All voted aye, motion carried.

At 7:23 pm, a public hearing was held for consideration of the following Retail (on-off) sale Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine. A completed application was received from Dollar General #18575 at 706 Spaans St. Hinckley moved to approve, with a second from Schuldt. All voted aye, motion carried.

Jeff & Natalie Briggs shared information regarding a proposed new development with 16 lot for homes on the North side of town. A time of discussion was held, no action needed.

At 7:40 pm sealed bids were opened for a new electrical bucket truck. ABM Equipment & Supply – Versalift’s quote was \$140,890.00, including the discounted demo & delivery. NESCO Specialty Rentals

quote was \$155,370.00. Hinckley moved to award the bid to ABM Equipment & Supply – Versalift, with a second from Steele. All voted aye, motion carried.

Options were discussed regarding a loan for purchase of the new electrical bucket truck. Hinckley shared information that he had inquired with several area banks & found one that would approve the loan at 4% for either a four or five year loan.

A discussion was held regarding random camper hookup facilities. It was the consensus of the council to not charge for these random hookups due to the fact that the camper would be plugged into services that are already being paid for by the owner.

The finance officer shared information of Governor Noem declaring Friday, July 5, 2019 as an Administrative Holiday. It was the concensus of the council not to permit this as a Holiday for city employees.

The finance officer presented copies of employee evaluation forms from the employee handbook for review. No action needed.

Vissia moved to sign a statement of extension indicating Plankinton's intention to join District III as a member for 2020, with dues of \$1148.00. Kehn seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Building inspector Kehn approved permits for Commerce Street Bar & Grille at 120 S Main St for a storage shed; Zach Scott at 602 N Kimball St for a home/pole shed & Jason Schurz at 309 E 1st for a deck.

The Mayor's report included the Cemetery is being mowed where they are able due to standing water; the pool needs \$10,000 - \$15,000 budgeted next year for maintenance improvements; the streets need attention; several properties needing to be mowed; the loan proceeds from Heartland Consumers Power District was received; sales tax revenue is on track for the year; someone has contacted him with possible interest in the vacant council position.

The Mayor also reported that Jeanette & Eileen once again had to manually read & input the meter readings for the June billing. After discussion, it was the consensus of the council to request that the sales representative from Core & Main attend the next regular council meeting to explain the delay.

The Maintenance Supt reported drainage problems at Curt Guindon's; the west Nile application has been sent in; storm drains were cleaned out & vacuumed at 2nd & Campbell St; weed spraying; getting the pool & ballfields ready; the lagoon pump is still working overtime; lots of time mowing; getting the Cemetery ready for Memorial day traffic; the restricted use facilities were inspected & are in overall good compliance; the water system has received a 2018 award from DENR for satisfactory operations & maintenance of a wastewater treatment facility; water meter replacement project should be completed soon.

The Electric Supt reported he has received most all of the easements needed; the electrical contractor started today; he attended the underground school in Marshall, MN; he would like to put in underground wiring at the ballfields; the panel at the pool needs to be upgraded; maintenance is

needed for the lights at the basketball court; would like to get a roll off dumpster from H&R for metal disposal & would like to put occupancy sensor lights in the ballfield bathrooms.

The finance officer shared the monthly reports & bank holdings; reported that she will attend school in Pierre next week; the office has been busier than usual due to the selling of pool passes & other summer activities.

Steele reported that the Mayor gave his approval to hire Mason Odens as a first year lifeguard at a wage of \$11.00/hour for the 2019 season.

At 9:00 pm, the Mayor asked for a motion to enter executive session, per SDCL 1-25-2(3). Kehn moved, with a second from Steele. All voted aye, motion carried.

At 9:18 pm, the Mayor declared to enter back into regular session, with no action taken.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:19 pm.

Signed: John J Staller, Mayor

Attest: Jeanette Smith, Finance Officer