

City Council Proceedings

The Plankinton City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 2, 2018. Mayor John J Staller called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. at 7th & Sanborn. Roll call recorded the following members present: Pam Vissia, Brad Kehn, Susan Steele, Jim Hinckley & Tom Madrigal. Member Terry Schuldt was absent. City employees present were: Vern Hill, Jeanette Smith & Darin Cranny. Representing South Dakota Mail was JP Studeny. Visitors present were: Klayton Miller, Natalie Briggs, Lyle Sutherland & Amy Boyd.

Vern led a presentation regarding the installation of sewer lines in the above mentioned area. After discussion, Hinckley moved to approve, with a second from Kehn. All voted aye, motion carried.

At 7:00 p.m., the Council reconvened at City Hall for the remainder of the meeting. Visitors Clint Bultsma, Lindsey Weich, Jill Grohs & Diana Spinar joined the meeting at this time.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A conflict of interest was noted from member Brad Kehn, who would abstain from voting on bill approval. This was due to having a bill for his business, Kehn's Carpet Cleaning.

Diana Spinar, representing the Plankinton Volunteer Ambulance, thanked the Council for a generous donation of \$1250.00 that will aid in the purchase of a stair chair. She also shared information that they will be applying for grants to raise funds for an ambulance replacement.

Sealed bids from Lindsey Weich, representing Krohmer Agency & Clint Bultsma, representing Bultsma Insurance Agency, for liability insurance, were reviewed at this time. After a time of discussion, it was decided that a special meeting would be needed to allow more time for a decision. The special meeting was set for Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

No one appeared for the public comments.

After discussion, Kehn moved to purchase employee's life, short-term & long-term disability insurance from Met Life, through Bultsma Insurance Agency. Steele seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

At 8 p.m., Ivy Haines, Head Lifeguard & visitor Jim Nielsen arrived.

Jim Nielsen introduced himself as the new Aurora County Emergency Mgmt Director. He shared some information regarding tornado shelters & FEMA tests for council members.

Ivy gave a pool update of an average of 30 kids are attending every day & 25 kids have just concluded the first session of swim lessons. Other concerns were discussed. A tentative closing date is set for August 17, 2018.

Brad Kehn, Bulding Inspector, approved the following building permits: #62718 to Tammy Meidinger for a 10'x10' storage shed at 211 E Road; #62818 to Ron & Carol Berens for a 30'x30'

garage at 405 N Duff & #7218 to Howard Weischedel for a 15'5"x22' storage building to be moved from 410 E 2nd St to 203 E 3rd St.

Kehn left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Vissia moved to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2018 regular meeting, with a second from Hinckley. All voted aye, motion carried.

Hinckley moved to approve payment of the following bills:

Heartland Cons Power Dist-May power purchase-9404.20; Avera Health Plans-employee health ins-4604.70; Verizon Wireless-cell phone billing-113.02; Avera Queen of Peace-4 lifeguards drug screens-376.00; SD One Call-May message fees-13.65; Central Electric-May wheeling fees-1361.52; East River Electric-May wheeling fees-2762.83; Dept of Energy-May power purchase-13,353.36; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-250.00; AFLAC-emp voluntary ins-32.20; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-250.00; Tammy Meidinger-meter dep refunded-250.00; SD Dept of Revenue-May state sales tax-3353.01; Delta Dental of SD-emp dental ins-274.80; A&B Bus Solutions-copier contract-112.75; The Guardian Life Ins Co-emp life & disability ins-534.21; June Bi-weekly employee-payroll 11, 12 & 13-21,393.92; Parks/Rec payroll-pay 2,3 & 4-4124.20; Summer Rec Coaches pay-8311.50; Pool Lifeguards-pay 1 & 2-5516.58; Mayor & Council-2nd qtr pay-1831.56; IRS-June 941 payroll taxes-10,101.70; SD Supp Retirement-employee sup-1186.03; South Dakota Mail-May legal publishing-650.43; Clay Brouwer-Cemetery mowings 5 & 6-2400.00; AmeriPride-rug contract-28.61; A/B Rural Water-June water purchase & debt ret-9167.20; Avera Occ Medicine-2 lifeguard drug testing-188.00; Barnes & Noble-library books-711.75; Barry Geiman-meals reimb-21.24; Core & Main-Flexnet system-51,971.30; Dakota AGrow-supp/mat-118.84; Dakota Supply Group-rep/maint-191.29; SD DENR-certification exam-10.00; SD DENR-annual drinking water fee-260.00; FP Mailing Sol-postage meter-89.85; Hawkins Inc-pool sup/mat-142.50; Holiday Inn-F.O. travel/conf-210.00; Jeanette Smith-travel/meal reimb-127.80; Menards-supp/mat-91.31; Mike's Const-garbage billing-60.00; Ron's Market-supp/mat-81.72; Schoenfish & Co-2016-17 Audit-9500.00; SD Dept of Health-water sample testing-15.00; SD Dept of Revenue-license plate fees-87.75; SD DOT-supp/mat-504.70; SD Federal Property Agency-sup/mat-33.50; SE SD Tourism Ass'n-annual dues-240.00; Stitch-n-Time-safety clothing embroidery-40.00; TrueNorth Steel-streets supp/mat-2038.20; VISA-May billing-27.64; VSP Vision Care-6 mo employee eye ins-746.82; Kehn's Carpet Cleaning-clean city hall-272.00; City of Plankinton-meter dep applied-250.00; City of Plankinton-meter deposit applied-250.00; Golden West Tele-June billing-423.62; MC&R Pools, Inc-slide & pool imp-10,412.62; City of Plankinton-meter deposit applied-250.00; Plankinton Volunteer Ambulance Committee-stair chair donation-1250.00.

Madrigal seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

The Mayor & council reviewed proposed employee handbook changes & a proposed a 5-year plan.

Resolution 7-2-18 was reviewed by the Council. The finance officer was instructed to have the resolution reviewed again by City Attorney Taylor.

A request for \$671.16 in matching funds from Rural Office of Comm Services, Inc was read to the Council. It was the concensus of the council to add this item to the 2019 budget.

The Mayor's report included: garbage being dumped by the jail pond; the Cemetery being well kept; he has received garbage ordinances from White Lake & Kimball to compare with ours; Russ, Steve & Peityn from Heartland Cons Power District visited last week & toured the town; the computer turnover to Tech Solutions is going good; more new trees will be put in the Cemetery; a dish is needed to serve for Pheasant Fest; there will be a manhole added to take care of the sewer line issues by the Lutheran Church; lots of people came to town during the Scavenger's Journey weekend. He also shared pictures of a nuisance property at 107 S Duff St.

The Maintenance Supt's report included: fogging for mosquitoes; helping dig in electrical to two houses & set a new pole; finishing the concession stand; weed spraying; he will be placing a pad for safety by the new pool slide & the new pool blanket is here.

The Utility Supt's report included: the crow's nest at the ballfield should be removed soon; there is a FEMA meeting on July 19 that he & Darin should attend.

The Finance Officer's report included: revenue & expenditure guidelines; attending Human Resources & Finance Officer's school; reviewing the 2016-17 audit report; SBS CyberSecurity will be here on Friday to scan computers & then there will be a meeting to discuss their findings; there have been some issues with the computer transition, but this was to be expected; Heartland Cons Power District will hold their Summer Conference on Tuesday, July 10.

At 9:34 p.m., the Mayor asked for a motion to enter executive session, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel Hinckley moved, with a second from Madrigal. All voted aye, motion carried.

At 9:38 p.m., Vern Hill entered executive session.

At 9:52 p.m., Vern Hill exited executive session.

At 10:04 p.m., the Mayor declared to return to regular session, with no action taken.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

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Signed: John J Staller, Mayor

Attest: Jeanette Smith, Finance Officer

