

MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2017 REGULAR SESSION

THE BALTIC CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 12, 2017. Mayor Wendland called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Aldermen Ron Jenks, Scott Grunewaldt and Doug Burns. Also present were City Administrator Fods, Finance Officer Hoefert, Code Enforcement Officer Uhl and City Attorney Hughes. The meeting was held at the Baltic City Hall.

Mayor Wendland asked all present to rise and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Grunewaldt made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 13, 2016 Regular Session and the December 29, 2016 Special Session. Jenks seconded. All ayes.

Disbursements were reviewed. Burns made a motion to approve the following disbursements. Second by Grunewaldt, all ayes.

Claims January 12, 2016

Vendor	Amount	Comments
Alliance Communications	\$ 163.47	Utilities
A-OX WELDING SUPPLY	\$ 206.05	Supplies
Argus Leader Media	\$ 77.80	Legals
BADGER METER, INC	\$ 54.00	Backhaul 10/01 - 12/31/16
CITY OF BALTIC	\$ 71.56	Utilities
Dell Rapids Lumber Company	\$ 3.67	Supplies
Dust-Tex Service, Inc.	\$ 13.73	Rug Service
EFTPS	\$ 3,820.32	Payroll Taxes PR 23
EFTPS	\$ 1,806.03	Payroll Taxes PR 24
FIRST NATIONAL BANK in SF	\$ 34,259.65	SRF Loans
Frank or Lori Mauricio	\$ 83.39	Deposit Refund
Garbage N More	\$ 5,682.50	Service
Huber's Electric	\$ 131.70	Supplies
Hughes Law Offices	\$ 1,351.70	Legal Service
Keep It Safe	\$ 30.00	Computer Backup
Kinetic Leasing	\$ 1,850.00	5th Street Lease
MidAmerican Energy	\$ 203.73	Utilities
Midway Service	\$ 140.06	Gas
Minnehaha Community Water Corp	\$ 3,243.60	Water Purchase
NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	\$ 420.42	Supplies
Quill Corporation	\$ 48.46	Supplies
RDO EQUIPMENT CO	\$ 374.59	Supplies
RevTrak	\$ 44.00	CC User Fees
SD Dept. of Revenue	\$ 0.54	4th Quarter
SD Association of Code Enforce	\$ 40.00	Membership
SD Building Officials' Assoc.	\$ 50.00	Membership
SD City Management Association	\$ 150.00	Membership
SD DENR	\$ 36.00	Membership
SD Dept. of Env. & Nat'l Res.	\$ 650.00	Discharge Permit 2017
SD Dept. of Revenue	\$ 505.74	Sales Tax Dec 2016

SD Gov. Finance Officer Assoc.	\$ 40.00	Membership
SD Municipal League	\$ 1,055.78	Membership
SD WATER & WASTEWATER ASSOC	\$ 10.00	Membership
SDRS	\$ 1,556.08	Retirement
SECOG	\$ 1,680.00	Membership
SSD Municipal Street Maint.	\$ 35.00	Membership
Thomas Reuters - West	\$ 95.25	Books
US Bank	\$ 873.90	Supplies
US Bank Equipment Finance	\$ 852.95	Sweeper
Verizon Wireless	\$ 111.62	Utilities
Xcel Energy	\$ 2,524.05	Utilities
	\$ 64,347.34	

December 2016 Salaries in gross amounts by Department: Council, \$14,115.29; Finance, \$2,366.7; Inspection, \$257.54; Streets, \$2,349.72; Parks, \$2,349.72; Liquor, \$129.26; Water, \$3,642.51; Sewer, \$3,642.18; Total \$28,852.51.

Appointment. Grunewaldt made a motion to approve the appointment of Chris Hotzler as Alderman – Ward 1. Second by Jenks. All Ayes. Hotzler was given the Oath of Office and was seated as Alderman.

Public Time. None present

Police Report. No police report.

Maintenance Update. Fods gave an update on the Rural Water Conference he attended in Pierre.

Code Enforcement Update. Uhl gave an update on some complaints received by the City.

City Hall Update. Financial reports were given. Hoefert is preparing for the Annual Report.

Attorney Remarks. City Attorney Hughes deferred comment at this time.

Business.

2016 Elections – The election date is April 11<sup>th</sup> and the City will be combining with the School Board. There are 2 vacancies this year that complete terms of resigned aldermen: Ward 1 Alderman, 1 year, currently held by Chris Hotzler and Ward 1 Alderman, 3 years currently held by Doug Burns. Petitions may be taken out starting January 27, 2017 at City Hall.

Grunewaldt made a motion to sign the 2017 Sioux Falls Area Humane Society Animal Control Services contract. Second by Burns, all ayes.

Low-Head Dam/Bank Stabilization project: Scot Leddy, Pat Carey and Dave Odens from Banner Associates were present to answer questions presented by City Attorney Hughes. At the request of Attorney Hughes, Attorney David L. Ganje, an environmental lawyer from Rapid City, was present via conference call. Items discussed included the stability of the sewer lagoons, alternative repairs, cost projections, permitting, and City responsibility.

At 7:00 p.m. Grunewaldt made a motion to enter into Executive Session to confer with City Attorney Hughes. Second by Burns. All Ayes.

At 8:10 p.m. Mayor Wendland declared the Council out of Executive Session.

Grunewaldt made a motion that the City of Baltic, acting by and through the City Council, move forward as expeditiously as possible to prepare and submit or cause to be prepared and submitted, all required applications and supporting documents to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (the "USACE"), to obtain Nationwide Permit authority from the USACE as Applicant for the carrying out to completion of the work for riverbank stabilization and low head dam removal, the precise scope of which will be subject to further definition, for the Project generally known as the Big Sioux River Streambank Restoration Project – Baltic, SD (the "Project"). Second by Burns. All Ayes

There was discussion regarding retaining Attorney Ganje as special council on the project. No action was taken at this time pending clarification of proposed agreement.

At 8:40 p.m. Jenks made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Second by Grunewaldt. All Ayes.

At 9:05 p.m. Mayor Wendland declared the Council out of Executive Session.

Pursuant to SDCL 6-1-10, Grunewaldt made a motion to approve and publish the following salaries and wages of the elected and appointed officials and employees being listed as to position, name and amount as noted for the year 2017 unless otherwise changed. Mayor Michael Wendland \$3,532/year, Council Members Ron Jenks, Chris Hotzler, Doug Burns and Scott Grunewaldt \$2,670/year; Maintenance Supervisor Ken Johnson \$50,500/year; Finance Officer Julia Hoefert \$40,000/year; City Administrator/Public Works Director Ryan Fods \$50,500/year; Burns seconded. All Ayes.

With no further business before the Council, at 9:20 p.m. Hotzler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Grunewaldt. All ayes.

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Julia M. Hoefert  
Municipal Finance Officer  
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Mike Wendland  
Mayor, City of Baltic