

MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2020 REGULAR SESSION

THE BALTIC CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 9, 2020 at City Hall. Mayor Grunewaldt called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Aldermen Tracy Petersen, Chris Hotzler and Brendan Tidemann. Also present were Maintenance Supervisor Johnson, Maintenance Assistant Hotzler, City Administrator Wendland, Finance Officer Hoefert.

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

Petersen made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Tidemann. All ayes, motion passed.

Hotzler made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 9, 2020 Regular Session. Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion passed.

Disbursements were reviewed. Hotzler made a motion to approve the following disbursements. Second by Tidemann. All ayes, motion passed.

June 2020 Claims

Vendor	Amount	Comments
EFTPS	\$ 2,550.63	Payroll Taxes
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SD Dept. of Revenue	\$ 689.77	Sales Tax
US Post Master	\$ 144.55	UB Mailing
Alliance Communications	\$ 167.63	Utilities
Argus Leader Media	\$ 79.90	Legals
CHS Eastern Farmers	\$ 667.80	Herbicide Lagoon
City of Baltic	\$ 73.00	Utilities
Classic Corner	\$ 185.04	Gas
Dell Rapids Lumber Company	\$ 161.50	Gazebo Repair
Dust-Tex Service, Inc.	\$ 14.85	Rug Service
FIRST RATE EXCAVATE	\$ 2,116.65	Gravel for Campground
Garbage N More	\$ 7,125.00	Service
Gillespie	\$ 59.99	Supplies
Hughes Law Offices	\$ 1,521.41	Legal Service
Interstate PowerSystems	\$ 366.00	Generator Maint
JD's House of Trophies	\$ 59.00	Supplies
Kibble Equipment LLC	\$ 549.11	Mower Repair
Kinetic Leasing	\$ 2,773.00	Oak/Douglas
Minnehaha Community Water Corp	\$ 4,531.80	Water Purchase
Menard's	\$ 193.33	Supplies
Metering & Technology Solution	\$ 9,245.74	Beacon Software/meters
MidAmerican Energy	\$ 60.44	Utilities
Mid-American Research Chem	\$ 1,608.19	Lagoon Chemicals
Karrie Johnson	\$ 90.00	Refund Camping
Danielle Selken	\$ 133.68	Deposit Refund
SD DENR	\$ 260.00	Permit Fee
SDRS	\$ 2,375.16	Retirement

Sverdrup Township	\$ 60.00	Road Grading
US Bank	\$ 1,071.67	Mower Repair/supplies
US Bank Equipment Finance	\$ 721.59	Truck
Verizon Wireless	\$ 114.62	Utilities
VIRG'S SERVICE	\$ 378.44	Trimmer
Xcel Energy	\$ 2,092.23	Utilities
	\$ 44,709.29	

May 2020 Salaries in gross amounts by Department: Finance, \$5,598.22; Inspection, \$1,343.47; Streets, \$2,575.32; Parks, \$2,575.32; Econ Dev \$3,603.62; Water, \$4,071.20; Sewer, \$4,071.12; Total \$23,838.27.

Public Time. A number of Residents attended. Among the topics discussed were water pressure, a city pool or other city amenity, animal ordinances and traffic codes. The Council and City Staff provided information on finances, property tax distribution to City and School, what other towns currently do, etc. There was a suggestion that a citizen-lead feasibility committee be created to do further investigation into what residents want/need and, with the help of the City, help determine what direction to focus on. The City will; have Minnehaha Community Water Corp check the water system; prepare and distribute a survey to the residents regarding city amenities; discuss ordinance questions for the next meeting.

Police Report. No police report.

Maintenance Update. Hotzler reported that monthly water samples were taken, some trees were trimmed, the playgrounds and campground have been re-opened and normal maintenance done.

Building Inspector Update: Inspector Pearson is working on nuisance properties as well as looking into accessory building codes. There have been 49 new building permits valued at \$1,426,840 thus far in 2020 with approximately \$700,000 - \$900,000 in permits expected in the next month.

City Administrator/Economic Development Director Update. Wendland reported progress on many projects. He introduced the new Director of Minnehaha and Lincoln Economic Development Associations, Jesse Fonkert. The City will be applying for the Alternative Transportation Grant in 2020. The Council directed Wendland to proceed with the Resolution of Intent for the next meeting.

City Hall Update. Financials were presented. Hoefert reported on City website updates that include information on elections and property taxes. The City also acquired a new free campground reservation software as well a purchased a new water meter reading software. The City's 2-year audit for 2018 & 2019 will take place the week of July 20, 2020. Hoefert informed the Council that the 2020 Finance Officer School had been cancelled. It is hoped that the Southeast Area Finance Officers Group can start meeting again in July. There were 5 new residents to Baltic in May 2020.

Attorney Remarks. City Attorney Hughes was unavailable.

Business.

- a. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance 276 Water Rates has been tabled until the July 2020 meeting.
- b. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance 277 Sewer Rates has been tabled until the July 2020 meeting.

- c. Per the recommendation of Baltic Planning & Zoning Board, Hotzler made motion to accept the Plat of Lots 13-15 Inclusive, Block 10, and Lot 5 Block 11 of Baltic Heights. Second by Petersen. All ayes, motion passed.
- d. Tidemann made a motion to approve the following abatements representing the disabled veterans tax exemption under SDCL 10-4-40: Second by Hotzler. All ayes, motion passed: Parcel ID 83902, 2019 Property Taxes \$524.31; Parcel ID 69718, 2018 Property Taxes \$913.23; Parcel ID 69718, 2019 Property Taxes \$1,581.63.
- e. Hotzler made a motion to approve the renewal of Liquor License RB-23883 Classic Corner Malt Beverage. Second by Petersen. All ayes, motion passed.
- f. Petersen made a motion to approve the renewal of Liquor License RB-26497 Someday Café Malt Beverage. Second by Tidemann. All ayes, motion passed.
- g. Petersen made a motion to approve a Temporary Event Beer License to Classic Corner for Sunday, June 21, 2020.

With no further business before the Council, at 9:35 p.m. Hotzler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Petersen. All ayes, motion passed.

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Municipal Finance Officer

Scott Grunewaldt
Mayor, City of Baltic

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