

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
BALTIC CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 11, 2024 7:00 PM BALTIC CITY HALL
130 ST. OLAF AVENUE BALTIC, SOUTH DAKOTA

Mayor Deborah Mclsaac called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM in the Baltic City Hall, 130 St. Olaf Avenue. Answering roll call were Aldermen Nikki Oien, Ryan Sinding, Brian McGreevy, and joining via Team is Steve Boeve. Also, in attendance City Attorney John Hughes, ISG Engineers Justin Heim and Parker Hamann, Public Works Supervisor Ryan Fods, and Community Relations Manager Lacey Harrington. Finance Officer Lacey Branham was absent.

Mayor Mclsaac led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

While reviewing May 14th minutes, Brian McGreevy mentioned spelling error of “tables” instead of “tabled” in Fines and Fees and City Hall File Destruction, McGreevy made a motion to approve the May 14th minutes as amended. Seconded by Nikki Oien. All ayes.

While reviewing Claims Payable, Lacey Harrington mentioned two missing amounts as we are not sure what those will be yet. The SD Department of Re-Employment which would not exceed \$90.00 and the sales tax on garbage to the Department of Revenue which would not exceed \$890.00. Oien motioned to approve claims as presented. Seconded by Sinding. All ayes.

During public time, Deb Qualseth congratulated City Attorney Hughes on his successful campaign. She also wanted to make us aware she reached out to the Minnehaha Sheriff’s Office regarding the speeding on lovely as well as two construction companies and Dr. Bass from the school regarding the speeding. Justin with ISG said he will look into this and ask that his people discuss this with the contractors. There was discussion on possibly putting a “No Jake Brake” sign up on both ends of town. Ryan Fods will get pricing on the signs.

Old Business

Veteran’s Memorial stone placement was discussed. Mayor Mclsaac asked for updated schematic. Mclsaac and Commander Branham agreed to get together to agree on feature placement.

Mayor Mclsaac recommended the City Hall Destruction and Fines and Fees Review to be tables as the project is not complete.

Mayor Mclsaac discussed the proposal from The Dakota Scout to be our designated newspaper. Mclsaac presented the associated benefits and cost. Dakota Scout is widely distributed and is free to citizens. Nikki Oien made a motion to designate The Dakota Scout as our legal newspaper effective July 1st, 2024, 2nd by Brian McGreevy. All ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Mclsaac presented the council with the Monkey Business peddler’s permit and payment. Sinding made a motion to approve the Monkey Business permit, 2nd by Brian McGreevy. All ayes.

Justin Heim gave an update on the Community Access Grant with Lovely Avenue improvements. Regarding Oak and Ash, Justin Heim said it would likely be next week before the contractors are back and will start on the corner of 2nd and Ash. The watermain looping is going well and started now with Phase 2. Heim presented the change order that will need to be accepted and approved. Oien made a motion to approve the change order of \$45,508.25 and Sinding 2nd. All Ayes. Heim also gave updates on the Main Lift Station and timeline.

Ryan Fods explained importance about completing the copper/lead survey. They want 100% participation and if residents don't do the survey, Ryan Fods will have to go to those that do not complete the survey and do it.

Fods discussed issues with batters box dirt issues. Mayor Mclsaac and Nikki Oien thanked Fods on the compliments they have been getting on how good the ball fields are looking.

Lacey Harrington presented with the Beacon Badger price increase. It was \$143.33/month and will now be \$158.22/month.

Lacey Harrington advised the driveway carnival is postponed until further notice. Dog Days update was given regarding the pre-sale shirts, car show and donations. Harrington announced there will be a meeting for Dog Days planning on Wednesday, June 26th at 6:00 pm. This meeting will also be provided via teams.

Sinding motioned to go into executive session at 7:50 pm. Seconded by McGreevy. All ayes.

Sinding motioned to return from executive session at 8:22 pm. Seconded by McGreevy. All ayes.

Nikki Oien made a motion to appoint Lacey Harrington as Finance Officer at \$60,000 per year and all benefits available with an increase to \$65,000 when her Finance Officer training is complete, Sinding 2nd. All ayes.

Mclsaac requested permission to post the CRM role at \$50,000 per year allowing either part-time or full-time depending on experience and availability. All agreed.

With no further business to discuss, Sinding motioned to adjourn at 8:24 pm. Seconded by McGreevy.

Respectfully submitted,

Lacey Harrington
Finance Officer

Deborah Mclsaac
Mayor