**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 14, 2022**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on March 14, 2022 in the City Hall meeting room with Finance Officer Emily Bauer and the following council members present: Sheilah Fischer, Chris Geiger, Dave Hadrick, Mark Toennies and Steve Wanner. Absent: Linda Bartholomew. Others present: Jerod Raethz and April Sorensen. Mayor Slade Roseland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all those present reciting the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Open Forum: Nobody spoke.

2022.3.21 Approve the Agenda: Roseland noted the addition of the Replat of the Southeast Addition to old business. Councilman Hadrick moved, seconded by Geiger to approve the agenda. Unanimous.

2022.3.22 Minutes: Councilwoman Fischer made the motion, seconded by Wanner to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022 council meeting. Unanimous.

**2022.3.23 Financial Report:** Motion by Councilman Geiger, seconded by Fischer to approve the finance report. Unanimous.

**2022.3.24 Claims:** The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Geiger, seconded by Wanner. Unanimous. **Payroll Total: $15,799.25** Mayor: $600.00, Finance Officer: $3,690.00, Street Department: $5,655.51, Water & Sewer Department: $5,718.54, Office Help: $135.20

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| AVERA OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE | $76.00 | LAB FEES |
| AVERA ST LUKES BUSINESS CLINIC | $55.00 | DRUG SCREENING |
| BRAD MANNING DIGGING | $500.00 | JET SEWER MAIN |
| CHS INC | $845.53 | COMMUNITY CENTER PROPANE |
| CITY OF FAULKTON | $245.60 | CITY HALL WATER/SEWER |
| CITY OF FAULKTON, PETTY CASH | $77.37 | POSTAGE |
| CNA SURETY DIRECT BILL | $525.00 | FO BOND |
| ELAN - CARDMEMBER SERVICES | $199.10 | ZOOM/community center router |
| Faulk Co Highway Dept | $397.21 | GAS/diesel |
| FAULK COUNTY RECORD | $74.86 | MINUTES |
| FAULK COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS | $30.00 | ANNEXATION RECORDING |
| FAULKTON HRC | $704.00 | METER REFUNDS 4PLEX |
| HANSONS INC. | $642.86 | PUSH DOWN RUBBLE SITE |
| HEALTH POOL OF SD | $5,181.04 | GROUP HEALTH INS. PREMIUM |
| HELMS & ASSOCIATES | $2,253.50 | LAND ACQUISITION |
| INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE | $3,422.74 | 941 Taxes |
| NORTH WESTERN ENERGY | $4,662.00 | electric |
| POSTMASTER | $218.00 | postage |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT | $4,256.00 | water prj debt pymnt |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT - SEWER | $8,944.00 | SEWER PROJECT DEBT PAYMENT |
| SD DEPT. OF HEALTH (LAB) | $15.00 | LAB FEES |
| SD RETIREMENT | $1,765.12 | SD Retirement |
| SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLA | $200.00 | SUPPLEMENTAL RET. PLAN |
| VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOP | $461.03 | FO PHONE, INTERNET FAX, WEB |
| WEB WATER | $7,950.07 | WEB WATER |

**City Maintenance Report:** Raethz stated they started working on the ballpark concession stand and men’s bathroom. They will also start crack sealing this week.

**Mayors Report**: Mayor Roseland thanked Crystal Kopecky and Destry Geist for lighting the elevator orange and taking pictures for SDDOT safety week. These images will be shared by the SDDOT during their annual safety week in April.

OLD BUSINESS

2022.3.25 Airport Land Acquisition Assistance Pay Request: Roseland presented the council with a pay request from Helms and Associates for $2,253.50. Councilman Wanner moved, seconded by Toennies to approve the pay request. Unanimous.

2022.3.26 Replat of Southeast Addition: Councilman Hadrick motioned, seconded by Toennies to approve the replat of the Southeast Addition. Unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

April Sorensen – Pool: April Sorensen was in attendance to discuss lifeguard wages. Sorensen said with minimum wage at $9.95 now she would like to see the lifeguards get more than their usual .25/hour raise. Sorensen also thinks WSI lifeguards who teach swimming lessons should be making more to teach private swimming lessons. The council agreed that raises should be given to the lifeguards. Roseland suggested Sorensen get together with Bauer to discuss. Community Center – Faulkton Area Out of School Program: Sorensen explained to the council that she is currently looking for a larger facility to host the after school program during the school year. She asked the council if they were ok with her renting the community center during the school year to host the after school program. The council informed her there were a few events booked in there after school begins that will still need to be able to use the facility. Sorensen stated she understood. The council was fine with letting the FAOSP rent the facility during the school year.

2022.3.27 Resolution 2022-04 Bridge Reinspection: Councilman Hadrick motioned, seconded by Geiger to approve the following resolution. Unanimous.

RESOLUTION 2022-04

BRIDGE REINSPECTION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

FOR USE WITH SDDOT RETAINER CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 650, Subpart C, requires initial inspection of all bridges and reinspection at intervals not to exceed two years with the exception of reinforced concrete box culverts that meet specific criteria. These culverts are reinspected at intervals not to exceed four years.

THEREFORE, the City of Faulkton is desirous of participating in the Bridge Inspection Program using Bridge Replacement funds.

The City requests SDDOT to hire Infrastructure Design Group (Consulting Engineers) for the inspection work. SDDOT will secure Federal approvals, make payments to the Consulting Engineer for inspection services rendered, and bill the City for 20% of the cost. The City will be responsible for the required 20% matching funds.

Dated this 14TH day of March, 2022, at Faulkton, South Dakota.

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ATTEST: Slade Roseland, Mayor

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer

2022.3.28 Resolution 2022-05 Uncollectible Utility Accounts: Councilman Toennies moved, seconded by Wanner to approve the following resolution. Unanimous.

**Resolution 2022-05**

**RESOLUTION – ASSIGNMENT OF DELINQUENT/UNCOLLECTIBLE UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNTS**

**WHEREAS**, Book 3, Supplemental, Chapter 9-22-4 of the South Dakota Codified Law states “every municipality may assign for collection any or all delinquent accounts receivable. After reasonable collection efforts, the governing body may determine that an account is non-collectible, and by formal action direct that the non-collectible amount be removed from the records and disclosed on that year’s financial report. Evidence of the debt removed from the records by the formal action of the governing body shall be retained by the municipality to support possible subsequent collection of that debt.”

**WHEREAS**, efforts have been made to collect these past due utility billing accounts, and

**WHEREAS**, adequate time has elapsed to consider these utility billing accounts delinquent and past due,

**NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED,** that the following accounts be deemed non-collectible and removed from the records:

**NAME: ACCOUNT #: AMOUNT:**

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| Ronald Donnay | 03-00000001-01-7 | $50.22 |
| Arlyn Wohlleber | 03-00006637-00-5 | $66.85 |
| Jeff & Kayla Stanley | 00-00006687-00-7 | $240.47 |

Signed this 14th day of March 2022.

APPROVED:

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Slade Roseland, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer

2022.3.29 Temporary Liquor License: Councilman Geiger motioned, seconded by Fischer to approve the following temporary liquor license. Unanimous.

* Faulkton Area Arts Council – Legion Hall – April 1, 2, 8, 9, 2022 – Murder Mystery

2022.3.30 CD Renewals: Motion was made by Councilman Hadrick, seconded by Geiger to renew CD 5229285 & 5229175 for 12 months at a rate of .05% at Dacotah Bank. Unanimous.

Consolidated Board of Equalization Meeting: Roseland stated the consolidated board of equalization meeting will be held on April 21st, 2022 at the courthouse at 7pm. A council member will have to attend to represent the city.

Advertise for Lifeguards: The council informed Bauer to advertise for summer lifeguards.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**2022.3.31 Executive Session:** Time: 7:37 p.m. Motion was made by Councilman Hadrick, seconded by Geiger to go into executive session for litigation and/or personnel matters per SDCL 1-25-2. Out of executive session at 7:45p.m.

**2022.3.32 Hire Seasonal Help:** Councilman Toennies moved, seconded by Geiger to hire the following employees at the wages listed below:

* April Sorensen – Pool Manager - $900/month
* April Sorensen – WSI Lifeguard - $15.25/hour
* Don Hahler – Rubble Site - $12.00/hour
* Brice Cunningham – Seasonal Maintenance - $14.25/hour
* Bill Becker – Carousel/Community Center Cleaning - $12.00/hour
* Carmen Brown – Office Help - $12.00/hour

**Other Business:** The council discussed hearing and seeing many property maintenance issues and nuisances around town. In an effort for Faulkton to remain an appealing community to live and visit, property maintenance is a critical element. It is the responsibility of each property owner to maintain their properties in a clean and orderly fashion. The rubble site is now open weekend hours and will be opening to its regular hours soon. Thank you for continuing to make Faulkton a wonderful community!

**2022.3.33 Adjournment.** There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Toennies. Time: 7:47 p.m.

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Slade Roseland, Mayor Emily Bauer, Finance Officer