

## Dakota City Council Meeting Minutes

The Dakota City City Council met in regular session on Thursday, February 4, 2021. Notice of the meeting had been posted at three separate locations and sent out to various media outlets, as well as, was shared with the Mayor and the City Council. Notices included information that an agenda was available from the Office of the City Clerk.

President Chuck Carson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Carson, Backman, and Haase.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, President Chuck Carson announced the availability of the Open Meetings Act.

Public Comment Period: None.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Haase, to excuse Councilmember Clint Rasmussen from the meeting. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Haase, Carson, Backman. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to excuse Mayor Jerry Yacevich from the meeting. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Haase, Carson, Backman. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Carson, to approve the consent agenda for February 4, 2021. Said motion includes approval of minutes from January 21, 2021, acknowledgement of reception of financial statements, and approval of bills to date as written. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

A & M LAUNDRY - 130.38, 67.38, A&B GOURMET COFFEE - 113.64, 75.76, AFLAC / REMITTANCE/ PROC SERVICES - 102.72, 531.60, Ameritas Life Ins-RP - 359.80, 349.70, 310.54, 361.90, Ameritas-Dent/Vis - 170.40, 113.60, Anthony Walker - 93.99, BARNES & NOBLE - 660.41, BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NE - 1234.37, 2127.58, Beau Barclay - 29.31, BOMGAARS - 106.98, CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS, INC. - 176.85, 59.23, CENTURY LINK - 65.76, 173.50, CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY - 100.00, CRARY HUFF LAW FIRM - 11725.14, CRYSTAL OIL CO. - 295.91, CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT - 44.34, COMBINED UTILITIES FUND - 100.00, 200.00, DAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER - 6193.93, Dakota City Sales Tax Fund - 9723.59, Dakota County Public Safety Services Ag. - 9723.58, FIBERCOMM - 36.75, 29.26, 136.59, Farmer's Pride-Battle Creek - 840.63, GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING - 57.73, 82.48, GILL HAULING, INC - 10751.32, GRAYMONT (WI) LLC. - 5109.68, HAWKINS INC - 367.62, 413.10, JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/MURPHY POWERPLAN - 2172.89, JUSTIN CLAASSEN - 50.00, Jason Allen - 100.00, Jay-Lan Lawn - 167.40, Liliana Gonzalez - 200.00, MATHESON-LINDWELD - 1452.40, MENARDS - 173.94, 47.88, MUNICIPAL CODE CORPORATION - 395.00, MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. OF NE - 2682.35, NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB -15.00, Nebraska Dept of Revenue - 412.31, Nebraska Loess Hills RC & D - 350.00, Northeast Nebraska Clerks Association - 20.00, Principal Financial Group - 29.26, 58.52, STEFFEN TRUCK EQUIPMENT -1152.92, Sargent Drilling - 16.00, Scott Schmidt - 50.00, Sioux City Ford - 3366.41, Sparklight/Cable One -126.44, 132.96, Stacey Janssen - 50.00, STAPLES CREDIT PLAN - 87.61, THOMPSON INNOVATIONS - 1275.00, 196.00, 98.00, 196.00, TORCO - 118.95, 271.90, USA Blue Book - 397.64, VISA-CITY CARD - 377.60, 2100.84, Williams & Company, Inc. - 1770.00, 2655.00, ZIEGLER, INC - 6217.54, Total -\$92,330.00.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Haase, to approve Resolution 2021-07: Appoint members to the Rental Licensing & Inspection Board.: Randall Groetken, Mark J. Dorcey, and Joni Korthuis. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Carson, to approve Resolution 2021-08: Authorize Redemption of Series 2016 Bond. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

No action on Resolution 2021-09. MidAmerican is proposing to add a new service to its Gas Transportation Tariff. MidAmerican has been approached by a customer that is looking to inject renewable gas into MidAmerican's gas distribution system for transport to third-party buyers. MidAmerican's current tariff does not offer this type of service. The proposed Producers of Renewable Gas Transportation Service tariff will allow producers to inject renewable gas into MidAmerican's gas distribution system for use and consumption by Nebraska gas transportation customers served by MidAmerican. Similar tariffs were approved by the Iowa Utilities Board in Docket No. TF-2015-0351 and the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in Docket No. NG16-011 and added to MidAmerican's Iowa and South Dakota tariffs on January 8, 2016 and November 9, 2016, respectively. No action on Resolution 2021-10. MidAmerican is proposing to make a change to the Cost of Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause in its Gas Sales Tariff. Under the current tariff, when there are refunds from gas suppliers, MidAmerican is required to provide refunds to customers by bill credit or check if the resulting refund to the average residential customer will exceed five dollars. The five-dollar trigger for bill credit/check refunds in the current tariff has been in place since at least 1995 and had been consistent with a similar provision in MidAmerican's tariff in Iowa. However, in 2004, as a result of Iowa Docket No. RMU-04-03, MidAmerican changed this trigger amount in the Iowa tariff from five dollars to ten dollars (Docket No. TF-04-260). Since this trigger amount has not been changed for at least 25 years, MidAmerican believes it is appropriate to update it at this time.

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Moved by Carson, seconded by Backman, to suspend the rules and waive the required three readings of Ordinance 978: Issue Limited Tax Supported Public Safety Refunding. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to adopt Ordinance 978: Issue Limited Tax Supported Public Safety Refunding. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Carson, to suspend the rules and waive the required three readings of Ordinance 979: Setting Employee Compensation. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to adopt Ordinance 979: Setting Employee Compensation. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

No action to approve cost-share of adding Phase I power to Parcel Nos. 220274053 (Red Building) & 220013810 (City-Owned) in order to improve properties for future use or sale.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to approve overnight travel for Water/Wastewater Operator to attend the Water Operator Training Course & Individual Examination to be held March 22-25, 2021 in North Platte, NE. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman to approve water & sewer service for new construction between S. 20th/21st at Broadway. Plan includes tapping the water main on South 20th St. to the east of Southside Glass and run the service along the alley to the SE corner of property. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

Discussed camping operations at Cottonwood Cove Park. Recommendations included advertising for a Campground Host, add portable toilets, and possibly hire a contractor to clean bath house regularly.

Discussed Animal Control. Recommendations included contacting 12 Hills Dog Rescue and partnering with surrounding smaller cities to defray cost.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Backman, to accept sealed bid of \$1,220.00 from Garvin's Salvage for 2009 Dodge Ram 2500HD, Regular Cab, 4x4, w/utility box. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

No action on Resolution 2021-11: Placement of stop sign at the intersection Olive St. and Dollar General parking lot.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to approve Resolution 2021-12: Approve 2021 Fire Department Roster. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Absent: Rasmussen Motion carried.

City Staff provided comments concerning City Departments, Current Projects, Ordinances, and Statutes.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Chuck Carson at 7:03 p.m.

/s/ Jason Allen  
City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer