

Dakota City Council Meeting Minutes

The Dakota City City Council met in a regular session on April 1, 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.

Mayor Jerry Yacevich called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Jerry Yacevich announced the availability of the Open Meetings Act.

Public Comment Period: Doyle Parrish, 405 River Road, discussed need of better enforcement of speed limit near Cottonwood Cove Park as ATV/UTV operators do not obey posted sign.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Carson, to approve the consent agenda for April 1, 2021. Said motion includes approval of minutes from March 4, 2021, acknowledgement of reception of financial statements, and approval of bills to date as written. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase, Rasmussen. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A & M LAUNDRY - 130.38, 67.38, AFLAC / REMITTANCE/ PROC SERVICES - 531.60, 102.72, AMERICAN UNDERGROUND SUPPLY - 47.44, ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING SERVICES - 163.00, Ameritas Life Ins-RP - 367.95, 291.36, 284.94, 404.73, Ameritas-Dent/Vis - 76.80, 76.80, BALL INSURANCE - 3451.00, BARNES & NOBLE - 185.34, BEKINS FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES - 501.90, BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NE - 2127.58, 1234.39, BOK Financial - \$14,157.50, BOMGAARS - 155.46, CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES - 62.32, CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS, INC. - 210.33, 193.65, CENTURY LINK - 156.15, 69.42, CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY - 100.00, CRARY HUFF LAW FIRM - 13251.75, CRYSTAL OIL CO. - 436.37, CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT - 44.34, City of Sioux City - 2412.53, COMBINED UTILITIES FUND - 1200.00, DAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER - 1385.60, 6193.93, 6193.93, DEMCO - 30.80, Dakota City Sales Tax Fund - 10695.48, 15610.68, Dakota County Public Safety Services Ag. - 10695.48, 15610.67, EMC INSURANCE COMPANY - 8636.39, 718.44, 5029.16, Equipment Blades INC - 298.40, Farmer's Pride-Battle Creek - 1857.87, GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING - 154.46, GRAYMONT (WI) LLC. - 5131.12, HAWKINS INC - 135.00, JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/MURPHY POWERPLAN - 2172.89, JORGE PEREZ NUNEZ - 840.00, JUSTIN CLAASSEN - 50.00, Jason Allen - 100.00, KNIFE RIVER -892.50, L.G. EVERIST, INC. - 5574.34, MATHESON-LINDWELD - 1464.65, MENARDS - 71.21, MIDAMERICAN ENERGY - 213.16, 880.85, 310.43, MIDWEST ALARM COMPANY-SIOUX CITY - 66.00, MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO, INC - 58.14, NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB - 61.00, Nebraska Public Power Dist. - 3881.57, 66.13, 4482.13, 2049.86, Principal Financial Group - 29.26, 29.26, S. Jans Contracting - 2238.17, SSC Police-Animal Control - 100.00, Sargent Drilling - 600.00, Scott Schmidt - 50.00, Signs by Tomorrow - 30.00, Sioux City Ford - 287.06, Sparklight/Cable One - 126.44, 126.48, 126.72, Speedy Rooter - 650.00, Stacey Janssen - 50.00, STAPLES CREDIT PLAN - 137.47, Steve's Roofing Co. - 225.00, Stryker Flex Financial - 18253.41, Stryker Medical - 602.79, Sturek Media, Inc. - 345.28, THOMPSON INNOVATIONS - 196.00, 98.00, 196.00, 550.00, 700.00, Verizon Wireless - 40.03, 40.03, Wigman Company - 116.55, Williams & Company, Inc. - 2397.00, 1598.00, Wilmes Hardware Hank - 75.30, ZIEGLER, INC - 916.49, Total - \$185,038.14

ACH Payments: F&M Bank-\$725.83; QuickMed Claims-\$655.03

Moved by Backman, seconded by Rasmussen, to approve fiscal year 2020 audit. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Carson, to approve Tri-City Rummage Sale to be held Friday, May 28 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. & Saturday, May 29 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to rebid replacement panels and catch basins including bid specifications. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Backman, to postpone Resolution 2021-16: Establish Full-Time Administrative Assistant Position. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Abstain: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Carson, to approve Resolution 2021-17: Appointment of Tammy Cahill-Lane to Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

No action on Resolution 2021-18: Authorize Set Values To Be Expended at Siouxland Cities Lunch.

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Backman, to approve amended Resolution 2021-19: Extending Coronavirus Sick & Family Leave Policies. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson. Nay: Haase. Motion carried. Amended resolution does not include recovering from any illness or condition related to the COVID-19 vaccine.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to approve Resolution 2021-20: New Business Hours & Holidays. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Haase. Nay: Rasmussen, Carson, Yacevich. Motion did not carry. City Hall business hours will remain Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. City holidays were not discussed and will remain unchanged.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Backman, to approve Resolution 2021-21: Authorize Rental of Small Dumpster at Boat Ramp. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. Dumpster size is 2-yard and will be emptied weekly.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Rasmussen, to postpone Resolution 2021-22: Hire J & S Professional Cleaning To Clean Bath House at Cottonwood Cove Park. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Carson, to approve Resolution 2021-24: Establish Camping Rates at Cottonwood Cove Park. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. Spots with electric/water/cable are \$30.00 per night or \$180.00 weekly. Spot with electric/water/cable/sewer is \$33.00 per night or \$198.00 weekly.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Carson, to postpone Resolution 2021-25: Authorize Purchase of Bobcat Street Sweeper Bucket & Gutter Brush Kit. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. More information is needed about cost of repair of current street sweeper. Inquire dealer about City getting a loaner to better evaluate need.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Backman, to approve Resolution 2021-26: Capital Improvements at Dakota City Fire Hall. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. City will cover \$5,000.00 of capital improvement expenditures.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to postpone Resolution 2021-27: Authorize 3-Year Maintenance Agreement. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. Agreement to be paid annually with Ziegler Power Systems is for standby generators at the Water & Wastewater Treatment Plants.

Moved by Carson, seconded by Rasmussen, to approve amended Resolution 2021-28: Approve Additional Funds for ADA Project at City Hall. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried. City will scale down the scope of the project to fit available funds.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Backman, to approve irrevocably assigning and transferring all of City's right, title, and interest to National Account Systems of Omaha (NAS) in order to pursue litigation for delinquent utility bills. All collection methods have been attempted on these delinquent accounts. The City will recoup 50% of litigation award from NAS. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Rasmussen to postpone discussion about legal costs through fiscal year 2021. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Rasmussen, Backman, Carson, Haase. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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

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

Moved by Carson, seconded by Haase, to enter closed session at 8:29 p.m. to discuss Water/Wastewater Operator's annual performance review. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Rasmussen, Haase. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Backman, seconded by Rasmussen, to end closed session at 8:46 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Backman, Carson, Rasmussen, Haase, Backman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Haase, seconded by Carson, to authorize a three percent (3%) pay increase effective on their work anniversary for Water/Wastewater Operator. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Carson, Haase, Backman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussed increasing pay of employees who obtain certifications in their field. More discussion is needed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Jerry Yacevich at 8:52 p.m.

/s/ Jason Allen
City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer