

FORT PIERRE CITY COUNCIL
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the Fort Pierre City Council was held at the SD Municipal League conference room and called to order by Mayor Hanson at 6:00 pm. Members in attendance for Roll Call were Bernhard (Zoom), L Cronin, R Cronin, Deal, Iversen, and Kenzy. Officials in attendance were Scheibe, Fergen, Heezen, Powell, and Tibbs. Meeting was also held via Zoom.

Approval of Agenda. L Cronin moved and Kenzy seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Conflict of Interest Declarations. No Conflict of Interest was declared.

Reports. 1.) Hanson thanked R Cronin for chairing the last Council meeting in her absence. 2.) Hanson informed council that Representative Weisgram introduced a bill (HB 1050) that would allow municipalities to fund community projects with a temporary 1% sales tax, if approved by a vote of 60% of the residents. It is being supported by the Economic Development Professionals Association of SD and promoted by the SD Municipal League. Hanson has joined a coalition of mayors to support the initiative. She feels it would be a great way to fund needed community capital projects without overburdening the residents. 3.) Hanson reported she met with three engineers of Bartlett & West to discuss water source options for the City. One of the suggestions was to talk to Mid-Dakota, Hanson checked on that option, it would be 10 miles of pipeline at \$1 million/mile. 4.) Hanson visited with Jake Fitzgerald of WR/LJ. He had met with the Bureau of Reclamation staff during the water conference and they will be meeting in February to determine the scope of a project to add capacity to Mni Wiconi. Following that meeting, they will hire an engineering firm to develop the scope/cost and move forward with a study. 5.) Hanson informed council she had also met with Western Dakota Regional Water System staff and AE2S engineers from the WDRWS. They are testifying in front of the Senate AG and Natural Resources Committee in favor of SJR 501 which would allow a Future Use Water Permit for the system. Any allocation greater than 20,000 acre feet per year requires legislative approval. The new Executive Director for the WDRWS is Fort Pierre native Kristin Fischer Conzet. WDRWS has also prioritized locations for intake (Chantier Creek Area) and treatment (20 miles west of Fort Pierre). Hanson and Heezen feel that reviving the water committee for discussions on water sources would be beneficial, if any council member is interested let Hanson know. 6.) Hanson reported she had met with Steve Steele, new CEO of the Boys & Girls Club. The Stanley County Gold program is partnering with them for programming so Hanson has asked him to attend a Council meeting to give an update. 7.) Hanson informed council the PUC hearing was held last week and approved allowing West Central Electric to provide power to the Legion ballfield. Both WCE and the City provided information on comparative costs, and Hanson gave verbal approval of the ten-year service rights exception. 8.) Hanson reported her and Mayor Harding were asked by SD DOT public information to film interviews discussing the historic and economic value of the Missouri River bridges connecting the two communities. This will be part of the demolition stage of the old bridge. 9.) Hanson informed council that she and staff from Central SD Planning District had a phone conference with federal EDA officials to discuss changes to the Tatanka Trail project due to high cost of the pedestrian bridge. They were understanding and encouraging due to increased construction costs in general the last three years. 10.) Hanson let council know the joint City/County meeting regarding the Court House/alley project would be 1/24 at 11 am in the Commissioners Room. 11.) Hanson reported that a new member had joined the Historic Sculpture Committee, and she will need to fill two spots on the Cedar Hill Cemetery Board. 12.) Hanson informed council she took part in the ribbon cutting for Fort Dog Spa. They have been in business for a couple of years. 13.) Hanson reported she welcomed the first Bike Summit to Fort Pierre. It was well attended and the programming was excellent. 14.) Heezen reported that sales tax for November was up 27.4% and YTD 10.13%, the BBB for November was down 15.64% and YTD was up 5.84%, and Occupancy tax for November was down 6.32% and YTD down 5.99%. She also informed them the cash report had been included in the packet. 15.) Fergen reported staff is working on equipment and getting ready for spring projects and the new Parks Maintenance employee, Danny Schmautz had started. 16.) R Cronin commended the Fort Pierre Volunteer Fire Department for their efforts in sub-zero temps during the house fire.

Consent Calendar. Kenzy moved and Bernhard seconded to approve the Consent Calendar: Minutes: 1/6/25 Council Meeting; Raffle Permit: Sick Breed MC-Charitable Fundraiser-3/8/25; Travel: Fergen-SD Asphalt Conference 2/12 & 2/13-Mitchell. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Capital Improvement Plan. Justin Heim, ISG, presented to council the CIP, which is as road map for officials as to what they would like to see accomplished in the next five years and how to implement their vision. Heim asked the council to contact him with any feedback and updates would be made for the final plan.

Authorization to Adv-2025 Street Improvements-2/12 Bid Opening. R Cronin moved and Bernhard seconded to authorize Advertising 2025 Street Improvements with a 2/12/25 Bid Opening. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Authorization to Adv- 2025 Chip & Crack-2/12 Bid Opening. Tabled until the next meeting.

Yellowstone pay request & CCO. R Cronin moved and L Cronin seconded to pay CCO #2 for 2023 Street Improvements to Yellowstone Street to Quality Concrete Construction Inc. in the amount of \$32,027.80. Motion passed on Voice Vote. R Cronin moved

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and Kenzy seconded to approve Pay Application #6 in the amount of \$58,772.96 to Quality Concrete Construction Inc. for 2023 Street Improvements to Yellowstone Street. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Pay App #1 Tatanka Trail-AGE Corp \$338,325.78 (EDA Grant). Bernhard moved and Iversen seconded to approve Pay App #1 for the Tatanka Trail Pedestrian Bridge (EDA Grant) to AGE Corporation in the amount of \$338,325.78. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

CCO #1 City of Fort Pierre-Pipeline Expansion-Morris \$16,556.02. L Cronin moved and Deal seconded to approve CCO #1 for the City of Fort Pierre's Pipeline Expansion in the amount of \$16,556.02 to Morris Inc. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Bids & Award for Fort Pierre Maintenance Yard. The following bids were received for two Cold Storage Buildings: C Eagle Construction \$1,929,000, Sharpe Enterprises \$1,589,000, First Dakota Enterprises \$1,228,000, Anderson \$2,189,900, Midwest Construction \$1,440,000, and Quality Concrete Construction \$1,573,400. L Cronin moved and R Cronin seconded to approve First Dakota Enterprises bid in the amount of \$1,228,000 for two Cold Storage Buildings. Motion passed on Voice Vote. Iversen voted nay.

Property Tax Abatements-BKB, Rural Health, & Telford/Long Fox. L Cronin moved and Deal seconded to abate the City's share of property taxes payable 2025 for BKB Properties, LLC, Parcel #8275 in the amount of \$338.88 due to foundation failure on 4/28/24. Motion passed on Voice Vote. Iversen moved and R Cronin seconded to abate the City's share of property taxes for Rural Health Care Inc, payable 2025 Parcel #9172 as it has a tax exempt status in the amount of \$1079.90. Motion passed on Voice Vote. L Cronin moved and Deal seconded to abate the City's share of 2024 & 2025 property taxes for Lois Telford/Richard Long Fox, Parcel #10629 as it was removed 1/30/24 in the amounts of \$49.50 and \$52.58. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Quotes for Fence around Water Tank for Security Purposes. Montana had requested quotes for a security fence around the Water tank and received one from Ludemann Fencing \$55,910 and one from Ike Construction \$38,262.50. Iversen moved and R Cronin seconded to approve the quote from Ike Construction in the amount of \$38,262.50 for a security fence around the Water Tank. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Intro Ord 1076, 2025 Utility Rate Ordinance. Iversen moved to introduce Ordinance 1076, 2025 Utility Rate Ordinance.

2025 Electrical License-Cronin Electric. R Cronin moved and Kenzy seconded to approve the 2025 Electrical License for Cronin Electric. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

HME Update/PP7 Fort Pierre, LLC Contractual Developers Agreement. Kenzy moved and R Cronin seconded to have a written notice sent to the Whispering Pines developer PP7 Fort Pierre LLC notifying the developer that it is default on the Developers Agreement with the City. Toby Morris was present and provided information on the Developers Agreement. Iversen moved and Deal seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:26 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) to discuss Legal/Contractual Matter with legal counsel. Motion passed on Voice Vote. L Cronin voted nay and removed himself. Hanson declared an end to Executive Session at 8:11 pm. Kenzy rescinded his motion.

Public Comment. Nicole Schwinler was asking about the All Season Fish Cleaning station opening date hoping it would be open by 2/1/25 as there is a fishing tournament that weekend. Hanson informed her that City staff will camera the sewer and schedule a special meeting to accept the donation after everything is in order to accommodate that time frame.

Claims.

A-G-E CORPORATION	TATANKA TRAIL	338,325.78
ANIMAL CLINIC OF PIERRE	ANIMAL CARE - 12/24	236
BARTLETT & WEST	NW RESERVOIR	5,357.25
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL & JN	CUST #1775 - WIPES	166.86
BROSZ ENGINEERING	SURVEY - STANLEY CO COURTHOUSE	675
CENTRAL SD ENHANCEMENT	2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES	3,258.00
CITY OF PIERRE	HISTORIC PRESERVATION 2024	250
DAKOTA SUPPLY COMPANY	CUST #776 - PAINT, TOOLS	163.31
FACTOR 360	WEB HOSTING - 1/25	234
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	CUST #20933	3,127.46
FLOYDS TRUCK CENTER	ACCT #20638 - ICE MELT	286.08
FORT PIERRE BID BOARD	OCC TAX 10/24 DIFFERENCE	983.92
I & S GROUP INC	2025 STREETS	40,334.58
JC OFFICE SUPPLY	ACCT #6124 - PAPER	286.03

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MIDWEST OIL COMPANY	60G HYD OIL - 507	652.2
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS	ACCT #28668 - CEMENT, PRIMER	70.36
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	ACCT #2610162 - SPOTLIGHT, HTR	110.37
SD BUILDING OFFICIALS ASC	2025 DUES - JESS POWELL	50
RIVER CITIES TRANSIT	QTR 1 2025 SUBSIDY	7,500.00
SD ASSOC OF CODE ENF	2025 DUES - JESS POWELL	75
SD GOV FINANCE OFFICERS	2025 DUES - ROXANNE HEEZEN	70
SD MUNICIPAL STREET MAINT	2025 DUES - BRETT FERGEN	35
SD MUNICIPAL ELEC ASSOC	2025 DUES	2,159.00
SANITATION PRODUCTS	HYD FILTER - 507	188.76
SD DEPT OF AG & NAT RES	STORMWATER CONSTRUCTION 2025	100
SD GOVERNMENTAL HR	2025 DUES - CAROLYN DEAL	50
SOUTH DAKOTA ONE CALL	MESSAGE FEES 10/24-12/24	188.16
ZANDER AUTO PARTS	SUPPLIES	733.89
WESCO	CUST #26900-01 - METERS W DMD	1,324.00
MIDCONTINENT COMM	ACCT #375847701	130.42
QUALITY CONCRETE CONST	PAY APP #6 YELLOWSTONE	58,772.96
	CLAIMS TOTAL	465,894.39

L Cronin moved and Deal seconded to pay the claims as presented. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

Other. Deal talked about upcoming plans for celebrating the 100th year of a 4th of July rodeo in 2026. R Cronin gave the Expo Center report for Shane Kramme.

Adjournment. Mayor Hanson adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

Gloria Hanson, Mayor

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

Roxanne Heezen, Finance Officer