

FORT PIERRE CITY COUNCIL  
APPROVED MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 1, 2024

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, L Cronin, R Cronin, Deal, Iversen, and Kenzy. Officials in attendance were Cromwell, Heezen, Montana, Powell, and Tibbs. Meeting was also held via Zoom.

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

**Conflict of Interest Declarations.** Deal declared a Conflict of Interest Declaration and will abstain from the Silver Spur Temporary Liquor License item.

**Reports.** 1.) Hanson reported she had attended the ribbon cutting for River Walk Marina on 6/23/24 and reminded council of the ribbon cutting on 7/2/24 at the First Fidelity Bank at 12:30 pm with an open house from 11 am – 2 pm. 2.) Hanson welcomed two groups to the community on 6/22/24, including the American Legion Convention celebrating their 101<sup>st</sup> year. 3.) Hanson informed council of the events happening for the Fourth: Rodeos at 7 pm Wednesday and Thursday; fireworks to follow Thursday's performance; 4 on the 4<sup>th</sup> walk/run starting at 8 am at the intersection of Deadwood/Main; Parade at 10 am on the Fourth, with Robbie Calkins as the honorary Parade Marshall and the B1 flyover scheduled for 12:15 pm. 4.) Hanson told council that there were copies of the Peaceful Pines newsletter on the back table for anyone interested. 5.) Heezen reported that there were five firework vendors this year and they had been inspected and were open for business. 6.) Montana informed council that the super lift pump had been installed. 7.) Justin Heim gave an updated street construction report to council.

**Consent Calendar.** Bernhard moved and Kenzy seconded to approve the Consent Calendar: Minutes: 6/17/24 Council meeting; Raffle Permit: Fort Pierre Fire Department Fundraising/Fireman's Ball. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

**Public Hearing.** Mayor Hanson called a public hearing to get public input on the Drinking Water Improvement Project. Dennis Odens, Engineer with Bartlett & West presented a power point outlining the time line of the Drinking Water Improvement Project that council has approved thus far. L Cronin stated there is plenty of pressure at the ball field and questions why spend \$7.5 million when it can be done for \$2 million. R Cronin is in favor of storage as he felt needed more storage than a day's storage. Bernhard concerns were in changes being made it would result in paying higher interest rate that would amount to \$80,000/year along with losing the ARPA grant funding costing the City almost \$2 million. He also stated that the City is in the bottom 1/3 of the state in water charges. Kenzy stated that Interstate's study stated that the City didn't need more storage capacity and this is just a "pet" project. Deal wanted to secure in writing a water source for the City. Hanson said that is everyone's ultimate goal, unfortunately options are limited and that is why a membership has been paid to the Western Dakota Regional Water System. Paul Mehlhaff, Central SD Enhancement District, explained with the additional funding request there would be a higher interest rate. He stated it is better to have extra funding in place to fund the project and return to DANR what isn't used. Mehlhaff said the added cost would be approximately \$9.44/user if not tiered by different user types. Montana explained the pressure drops at the City shop to 36% when Morris is pulling water for the cement plant. He said the design of the water storage location was to enhance fire protection, improve the quality of water, and improve the reliability of the system. Hanson declared an end to the public hearing at 6:49 pm.

**Public Comment.** 1.) Taylor Hughes, resident, expressed he felt harassed by the Mobile Home Court inspections that are done from the public ROW by the Public Works staff as part of the Mobile Home Licensing done by the City to ensure the courts are in compliance with City Ordinances. 2.) Rebecca Whidby, resident, is frustrated with unorganized construction projects and council for removing the Public Works Director during the peak of construction. 3.) John Simpson, Pierre/Fort Pierre Rotary club, would like to donate materials for 6 combo bench/bike racks to the City for installation at determined locations.

**Bids & Award-Tatanka Trail Pedestrian Bridge.** Justin Heim, ISG engineer, completed the review and evaluation of the bids for the Tatanka Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project. The following bids were received: AGE Corporation

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\$1,101,375, Sharpe Enterprises \$1,594,538.26. Both bids are above estimated project cost, Heim recommended AGE Corporation as low bidder. L Cronin suggested waiting and rebidding in January. R Cronin asked about Midwest Construction being responsible for the bridge. Hanson explained that Midwest's plans were to reroute the path that would take it away from the river. Nicole Gordon, Central SD Enhancement District, overseer of the EDA grant guidelines informed council that in order to be in compliance with the grant guidelines a contract had to be in place by 7/15/24. Rhea Waldman, Executive Director of the Discovery Center, explained to council, this is a two phase project, but if phase 1 doesn't meet the guidelines then phase two is voided. She was also concerned that if this grant wasn't used the Pierre/Fort Pierre communities wouldn't ever qualify again. Bernhard moved and Iversen seconded to approve AGE Corporation bid in the amount of \$1,101,375. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

**Pay App #1 Fort Pierre 2024 Street Improvements-Creager Crt-Morris.** R Cronin moved and Kenzy seconded to approve Pay Application #1 Fort Pierre 2024 Street Improvements on Creager Court to Morris in the amount of \$112,230.86. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

**Pay App #3 Fort Pierre 2023 Street Improvements-W Main Ave-Morris.** L Cronin moved and Deal seconded to approve Pay Application #3 Fort Pierre Street Improvements on W Main Avenue to Morris in the amount of \$95,473.91. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

**Temp Liquor License-Silver Spur-Pat Duffy Community Center 8/31, 9/28, 10/12, 12/14.** Bernhard moved and Kenzy seconded to approve Temporary Liquor Licenses for the Silver Spur on 8/31, 9/28, 10/12, and 12/14 at the Pat Duffy Community Center. Motion passed on Voice Vote. Deal abstained.

**Personnel-Parks Maintenance/Street Maintenance.** Heezen recommended to council Joe Uecker at \$23/hour with a \$.50 raise after 90 day probationary period and sign on bonus of \$1000 to be paid after six months and \$1000 paid after a year of employment for the Street Maintenance position. Motion passed on Voice Vote.

#### Claims.

CITY OF FORT PIERRE	OCC TAX - 5/24	177
AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE	MONTHLY SUBSIDY - 6/24	4,630.70
BARTLETT & WEST	NW RESERVOIR	4,141.25
AVERA OCC MED MITCHELL	DRUG, ALCOHOL TESTING	1,170.00
BOTTOMLINE WELDING LLC	WELD POCKETS ZIPPER - 240	136.1
BOHLMANN INC	PUSH BUTTON ASSEMBLY	82.45
CENTURY BUSINESS PROD	ACCT #PR0062 - LEASE, COPIES	299.14
CHRISTY LUMBER INC	CONCRETE MIX	22.75
CENTURYLINK INC	ACCT #605-223-7690 B008195	134.56
COMMTECH INC	WIFI ROUTER	65
COCA-COLA BOTTLING	ACCT #1311810 - POP	268.8
CORE & MAIN LP	ACCT #181667 - SUPPLIES	6,555.34
DAKOTA SUPPLY COMPANY	CUST #71298 - PADDLEMOUNT CTS	591.66
DGR ENGINEERING	GEN ADDITION	456
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT CTR	ACCT #29300947 - PAINT	1,065.76
EDM INTERNATIONAL INC	PHASETRAKKER	290
FLOYDS TRUCK CENTER	ACCT #20638 - DET TRANS FLD	95.56
FRIMAN OIL & GAS INC	PROPANE TANK	45
FORT PIERRE BID BOARD	OCC TAX - 5/24	8,673.00
I & S GROUP INC	2023 STREETS	24,753.83
GROSSENBURG IMPLEMENT INC	FILTERS - 341, 342	177.9
HAWKINS INC	ALGIMYCIN	1,176.56

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INLAND TRUCK PARTS	SUPPLIES - 232	1,260.06
JC OFFICE SUPPLY	ACCT #6124 - PAPER, REFILLS	421.18
OLD DUTCH FOODS INC	CUST #76144 - CHIPS	128.76
MORRIS INC	PAY APP #1 2024 STREETS	224,834.97
PEITZ SERVICE EXPERTS	MRES REBATE - WALTER	100
PHEASANTLAND INDUSTRIES	SAFETY TSHIRTS	165.86
RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC	ACCT #2610162 - JUG,TORCH,HOSE	144.94
RITEWAY BUSINESS FORMS	UTILITY BILL CARDS	2,186.35
SD DEPT OF HEALTH	WASTEWATER TESTING	645
TIESZEN LAW OFF PROF LLC	LEGAL SERV 5/16/24-6/13/24	4,258.35
TOPKOTE INC	ASPHALT SURFACE TREATMENT	192,015.06
VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO	CUST #27972000 - ANVIL 2+2	2,531.25
ZANDER AUTO PARTS	ACCT #14500131 - SUPPLIES	901.14
WW TIRE SERVICE INC	CUST #52620 - NEW TIRES	899.83
DAVID VOGEL	MONTHLY MAINT - 5/24 & 6/24	600
DAKOTAMART	ICE CREAM, FLAVOR ICE	368.42
TIGER'S FIRE EXTINGUISHER	SERVICE, REPAIR, NEW FIRE EXTS	1,776.00
C3 STONEMWORK	BLOCK REPAIR - CT BATHROOM	620
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	DRINKING WATER PROJ	48.64
SMALL ENGINE HOUSE.	WEED EATERS	601.84
KARBERS PLUMBING	CAMERA 8TH AVE LIFT	204.08
VERMEER EQUIPMENT	GASKET, NOZZLE, FILTER - 540	622.89
RED RIVER CONSTRUCTION	RECONSTRUCTION OF FORT	12,908.19
	CLAIMS TOTAL	503,251.17

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

**Adjournment.** Mayor Hanson adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.

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Gloria Hanson, Mayor

ATTEST:  
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Roxanne Heezen, Finance Officer