

CITY HALL, CITY OF ARLINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

January 4, 2021

The City Council met as the Zoning Commission. There was no business. Meeting adjourned.

The City Council met in regular session in the Municipal Building. Present on Roll Call were Mayor Curt Lundquist and Council Members: Terry Mutziger, Terry Rowbotham, Garth Johnson, and Jesse Steffensen. Absent: Rob Achterberg and Cory Falconer.

Additions to the Agenda: Letter from Cook's regarding garbage rate and Abatement request received from Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization.

Motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Mutziger to approve the minutes of the December 7th & 28th meetings. All in favor—Carried.

Bills on file were submitted for consideration and on Motion by Rowbotham, seconded by Steffensen, the Finance Officer was instructed to issue payment for same. All in favor on Roll Call Vote—Carried.

Bills approved as follows:

29355	Amazon Credit Plan	Books/Library	37.19
29356	Banner Associates Inc	Design—S 3 rd Street Project	9000.00
29357	Banyon Data Systems Inc	Annual Support	2780.00
29358	Board of Operator Cert	Renew Water & WW Cert-Marshal & Chad	42.00
29359	Citizens State Bank	January Service Chge	20.00
29360	Cook's Wastepaper	November garbage	5274.07
29361	Electric Fund	Meter Deposits app to RO Bills	327.56
29362	Glacial Lakes & Prairies Tourism	2021 Membership dues	200.00
29363	Infotech Solutions	Hosting/backups/firewall/Office 365/maintenance	
0			781.0
29364	Kingbrook Rural Water System	December Water & Lease	9138.63
29365	MMUA	2021 Associate member dues	375.00
29366	Sherwin Olaes	Refund bal meter deposit	56.68

29367	Omni-Pro Software	Substation Scada Software License	2800.00
29368	Platinum Temporary Housing	Refund bal meter deposit	63.46
29369	Genesee & Wyoming RR	Annual power line crossing fee	100.00
29370	SD Assn of Code Enforcement	2021 Annual Dues	40.00
29371	SD Building Officials Assn	2021 Annual Dues	50.00
29372	SD City Management Assn	2021 Annual Dues	75.00
29373	SD Govt Finance Officers Assn	2021 Annual Dues	40.00
29374	SD Human Resource Assn	2021 Annual Dues	25.00
29375	SD Municipal Airport Mgmt	2021 Annual Dues	25.00
29376	SD Municipal Electric Assn	2021 Annual Dues	759.00
29377	SD Municipal League	2021 Annual Dues	1180.16
29378	SD Municipal Street Main	2021 Annual Dues	35.00
29379	SD DENR	Annual Wastewater fee	950.00
29380	SDML Worker's Comp Fund	2021 Renewal Premiums	8437.00
29381	Sioux Valley Energy	Electricity/Airport	81.00
29382	Hannah Tucker	Refund bal meter deposit	102.30
29383	U S Post Office	Postcard postage stamps	350.00
29384	WW Tire Service	Service call-ambulance	245.10
Auto Debit	Rural Development	Water Improvement Loan	1343.00
Auto Debit	Rural Development	Wastewater Improvement Loan	2859.00

The council was advised that two of the property owners along the proposed South 3rd Street project had already voiced their opinion that they would be voting against the curb and gutter assessment at their property. So, there was no need to proceed with the resolution, hearings, etc. for that portion of the project. The new pavement will end where the current gravel surface begins.

Time for Public Comments--None

Electric Report—None

ACDC Report—The group is in the process of gathering bids for the proposed building in the Industrial Park for Trans-Canada.

Motion was made by Steffensen, seconded by Johnson to approve the Police Report. All in favor—Carried.

The council reviewed the Revenue/Expense, Cash and Utility Report. The water loss is up again, however; Marshal feels that there was probably some difference in meter readings due to the holiday.

Motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Steffensen to have the Finance Officer send out renewal leases to the Chamber of Commerce, Pheasant Motel, Handi Mart and Dakota Ram—1481 Grille for their billboards at the Municipal Airport with the annual fee of \$150.00/year; the fee being waived for the Chamber of Commerce. All in favor—Carried.

The finance office has received notification from PCC that the ambulance rates for 2021 for Medicare and Medicaid are below what the Arlington Ambulance is charging. Todd Wilkinson advised that there should still be a cost-of-living increase on the rates. Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Mutziger to increase the ambulance rates by 3%. All in favor—Carried.

City Election will be held April 13, 2021 and petitions can be circulated starting January 29th. There is one council position open in each Ward 1, Ward 2, and Ward 3.

Motion was made by Steffensen, seconded by Rowbotham to authorize the Mayor to sign the tax abatement request for Valley Communications since their company is changed to Centrally Assessed and the county was not made aware of the change prior to this time. All in favor—Carried.

The finance office just received a request from Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling requesting a residential trash price increase in the amount of 2.25%. Since the item did not appear on the agenda—the first reading of the change to the current ordinance will take place at the February meeting.

Motion was made by Steffensen seconded by Mutziger to enter into executive session at 7:55 P.M. for personnel and contract matters. All in favor—Carried.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Steffensen to come out of executive session at 8:45 P.M. All in favor—Carried.

After council discussion—all full-time employees are being given a 70-cent raise and part-time employees a 35-cent raise. Tom Bacon is being given an additional \$1.00 to comply with prior negotiations and Sue Falconer an additional 55 cents to bring her wages up to pay scale.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Steffensen to adopt Resolution #2608 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2608

BE IT RESOLVED, that all salary increases will be retroactive to January 1, 2021. Salaried positions will be based on a 44 Hr week. All other seasonal salary rates will be addressed at the time that the individuals are hired. All in favor—Carried.

As per SDCL6-1-10 all salaries for all officers and employees shall be published the first meeting of the fiscal year and are as follows:

The following receive \$275 per quarter—

Cory Falconer	Terry Rowbotham
Garth Johnson	Curt Lundquist
Jesse Steffensen	Rob Achterberg

Council Members and the Mayor receive \$20.00 for each meeting, which is not the regular monthly meeting. Marshal Mix, Chad Mohr, Thomas Bacon and Sue Falconer receive a monthly allowance of \$45.00 for using their personal cell phones to conduct city business.

The following receive monthly salaries—

Curt Lundquist	333.33	Marshal Mix	5376.80	
Sue Falconer	5005.00	Steven Carlson	14.35/Hr	
Bacon	Jodie Henry	20.00/Hr	Thomas	
Mix	6838.00	Lonnie Johnson	14.40/Hr	Sharleen
	13.00/Hr			
Cheryl Anderson	14.25/Hr	Jay DeVries	500/Yr	
Sara Sheeley	250/Yr	Eric Erstad	500/Yr	
Amanda Doren	125/Yr	Martin Murphy	13.65/Hr	
Joey Sheeley	125/Yr	Larry Stamer	12.75/Hr	
Steve Monteith	14.40/Hr	David Wingle	13.90/Hr	
Chad Mohr	3934.67	Les Rowen	13.40/Hr	

Motion to adjourn was made by Mutziger, seconded by Johnson. All in favor—Carried.

Sue Falconer, Finance Officer

Curt Lundquist, Mayor

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