

**CITY OF FLANDREAU
1005 W. Elm Avenue
Flandreau, SD 57028-1404**

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
January 3rd, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on January 3rd, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 1005 W. Elm Avenue, Flandreau, SD.

Present: Mayor Dan Sutton. Aldermen: Curt Ahlers, Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Karen Tufty, and Tim Yeaton. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist and Finance Officer Lori Kneebone.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Tufty and seconded by Fargen to adopt the proposed agenda. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Tufty to approve the minutes of December 19th, 2022. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll 12/28/2022; general, 25,416.10; water, 981.97; electric, 8,95.93; sewer, 981.97; (23973) Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield, insurance, 681.90; (23974) AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 373.03; American Water Works Assn., contract, 79.00; Andrea Solem, refund, 8.64; Angel Willard, refund, 39.63; AT & T Mobility, phones, 252.72; Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 10,940.12; Bluepeak, phone/cable/internet, 874.13; Bruning & Lewis Law Firm, professional fees, 2,375.00; Cardmember supplies/training, 874.85; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,147.11; Cintas, rentals, 484.33; City of Flandreau-Petty Cash, postage, 121.96; City of Sioux Falls, test samples, 58.00; Curt's Collision Center, repairs, 397.50; David Ekern, refund, 1.76; DGR Engineering, professional fees, 198.00; Ditch Witch Undercon, repairs/supplies, 157.99; Ekern Home Equipment, supplies/repairs, 225.68; Eng Services, contract, 15,890.84; Flandreau Volunteer Fire Dept., 4th qtr. for training/meeting/fire calls, 1648.00; Great America Financial SVCS, contract, 227.00; Hillyard/Sioux Falls, repairs, 1,136.39; M & H Communications, supplies/training, 3,150.00; M & T Fire and Safety, supplies, 870.00; Maynards of Flandreau, supplies, 104.60; MidAmerican Energy, lift station, 26.97; Moody County Auditor, serving document, 68.00; Patriot Electric, repairs/supplies, 1,102.54; Pitney Bowes-Purchase powers, postage, 500.00; Productivity Plus Account, repairs/supplies, 259.26; Ramsdell F&M, propane, 216.15; SD Retirement System, retirement, 11766.33; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 100.00; SDRS-SPP, Attn: Zane Pirner, retirement participation fees, 17,931.07; Sioux Valley Energy, electric, 129.00; Standard Insurance Cp., life insurance, 593.73; Sturdevants Auto Supply, repairs/supplies, 427.79; Tyler Lumber, supplies, 1,200.99; USA Bluebook, supplies, 48.89; Wesco, supplies, 279.00; December EFT'S: EFTPS, taxes, 23229.53; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 105673.37; SD State Treas-Sales Tax, taxes, 9,230.23; US Dept. of Agriculture, 2019 water & sewer payment, 21,487.00. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Visitors to be Heard. None.

Mayor Sutton reported that he and Administrator Cohl Turnquist will be attending several upcoming meetings, including the Fire Station Task Force,

Housing Authority Board, and the Boys and Girls Club Town Hall. Mayor Sutton thanked City Crews for their hard work in snow removal after the recent storms.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist stated that the scheduled pipeline meeting with the County Commissioners has been moved to Thursday January 5th. Turnquist also informed Council he will be advertising for another Apprentice Lineman to join the Electric Department. Turnquist also praised the Public Works Department for their efforts in snow removal. He is encouraging residents to keep their vehicles off the street, if possible, which will assist City Crews with the snow cleanup.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ahlers to approve the Administrative Reports. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussion was had on the Fire Station Loan Closing Date and Documents. First Savings Bank will be providing construction financing of \$1,550,750, which will then be converted to permanent financing of approximately \$775,000 from each First Savings Bank and Rural Development. The interest rates on the permanent financing will be 3.77% from First Savings Bank and 2.5% from Rural Development. Turnquist noted that no interest payments will occur until the loan has been drawn down. No Council Action is needed at this time.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ahlers to approve Resolution 2023-01. Establishing Salaries for City Employees for 2023. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Tufty to approve Resolution 2023-02. Amend Camping Pad Fees to \$20 per Day for Camping Pad Rentals. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern to approve the final plat of Lot 1 of Farmers Union Oil Company Addition. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ahlers to approve the Flandreau Volunteer Fire Department Personnel Applications for Wyatt Resmen and Ryan Sherman. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Tufty. Nays: None. Absent: Yeaton. Motion carried.

Council Comments. Mayor Sutton mentioned updating the technology capabilities in the City Council Chamber and asked Administrator Turnquist to check into some different options.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator