

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
January 21st, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 21st, 2025 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, Mike Fargen, and Tim Yeaton. Absent: Mark Ekern, Karen Tufty. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist; Deputy Finance Officer Crystal Hanson; Police Officers Raleigh Burk, and Zachary Deal; and Charlie Rosheim.

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

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ahlers to approve the minutes of January 6th, 2025. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Yeaton to approve the minutes of the special meeting on January 10th, 2025. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Bjerke to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll: 1/8/25: general, \$26,793.08; water, \$2,369.52; electric, \$5,784.64; sewer, \$2,369.52; (26451) Access Systems Leasing, contract, 366.82; AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 277.44; Ahlers Automotive, repairs, 41.50; Big Sioux Comm Water System, purchase/usage, 17,369.00; Border States Electric, supplies, 3,258.04; Cannon Technologies, contract/meters, 10,124.00; Century Business Products, contract, 372.45; Christiansen Complete Water, supplies, 29.91; Cintas, rentals, 494.11; City of Sioux Falls, test samples, 29.00; Colliers Securities, professional fees, 300.00; Cybercoach, repairs, 663.75; DGR Engineering, professional fees, 114.00; Ditch Witch Undercon, repairs, 502.90; First District Assoc of Local Govt., dues, 3,023.57; First Savings Bank, fire station interest, 4,390.96; Galls, uniforms, 894.90; Greatamerica Financial SVCS, contract, 171.21; Guardian Alliance Technologies, contract, 226.00; Humane Service Agency, evaluation, 100.00; JLG Architects, professional fees, 4,773.16; Krull's Garage, repairs, 341.95; Maynards of Flandreau, supplies, 68.23; MidAmerican Energy, gas bill, 2,065.69; Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center, dues, 100.00; Missouri River Energy Services, contract, 386.20; Moody County Enterprise, publishing/advertising, 428.95; Northeast Area Appraisals, professional fees, 1,650.00; Ole's Lock & Key, repairs, 111.00; Onsolve, LLC, contract, 1,914.42; Ottertail Power Co., airport electric, 325.97; Plunkett's Pest Control, professional fees, 142.40; Quality Oil, supplies, 340.00; Ramsdell F&M, propane, 750.78; River's Edge Cooperative, gas/oil, 1,218.98; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 150.00; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, contract, 48.00; Sioux Valley Energy, utilities, 175.00; South Dakota 811, local fees, 86.24; Stan Houston, supplies, 1,456.54; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, repairs, 282.92; Syn-Tech Systems, professional fees, 42.00; Titan Machinery-Sioux Falls, repairs, 5,159.99; Transunion Risk and Alternative, dues, 120.00; Tyler Lumber Co.,

supplies, 840.15; Valley Fibercom, phone/internet, 763.32; Verizon Wireless, phones, 145.49; Waxdahl Napa Plus, repairs/supplies, 2,654.13; (26499). The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Visitors to Be Heard: None.

Mayor Sutton introduced new hire Police Officer Zachary Deal. City Council Members gave him a warm welcome to the community.

Mayor's Report: Ambulance task force held meeting last Thursday and the main focus was going over budget and billing. They meet again this Thursday January 23rd along with Housing Authority having a meeting on Thursday also. Mayor Sutton, with input from Alderman Bjerke, gave updates on the Municipal Airport and the airport expansion project. Mayor Sutton informed council that an appraisal of the old fire station has been completed and is valued at around \$280,000.

City Administrator Report: Turnquist spoke with Bret Severtson about zoning questions for a possible new athletic facility. Further information about the new facility will be shared at an upcoming council meeting.

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

Old Business: None.

New Business: Discussion on Flandreau Golf Course-Charlie Rosheim addressed council asking for them to purchase a mower for the greens.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Bjerke to deny request for purchasing a greens mower for the golf course. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Presentation Housing Survey- City Administrator Cohl Turnquist went over the results from the housing survey that was done. Survey had 152 responses; and provided a breakdown for what community members are interested in for housing in Flandreau.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ahlers to approve the step increase for police officer Tyler Wallert, placing him on Step 3 of the certified police officer wage scale at \$26.25/hourly. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve the 2025 Code Enforcement Contract with Code Enforcement Specialists. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to approve the Sourcewell Contract #032824, for the purchase of a Freightliner snow truck for \$149,179, which includes a \$40,493 dump box. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ahlers to go into Executive Session on Personnel at 7:26 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to come out of Executive Session on Personnel at 7:43 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern and Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve the step increase for City Administrator Cohl Turnquist, placing him at Step 4 of the City Administrator Wage Scale at \$98,311.13/annually. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Fargen, and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Ekern, and Tufty. Motion carried.
Council Comments: None.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator