

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 1005 W. Elm Avenue, Flandreau, SD.

Present: Mayor Dan Sutton. Aldermen: Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Bob Pesall, Karen Tufty, and Jason Unger (6:35 p.m.). Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Pederson; Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson; City Attorney Corey Bruning; Carleen Wild, C2W, LLC; Brittany Ho and Kim Hansen, Flandreau Fridays Committee; and Kyle Haug, Parly Property Trust.

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

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to approve the minutes of April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, and Tufty. Nays: None. Absent: Unger. Motion carried.

Motion by Pesall and seconded by Bjerke to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll 4/21/2021: general, 21,804.72; water, 1,310.88; electric, 4,145.17; sewer, 1,310.88; airport, 159.98; solid waste, 239.99; 5/3/2021: general, 23,948.49; water, 1,341.00; electric, 3,966.43; sewer, 1,341.00; airport, 186.62; solid waste, 540.79; (22220) AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 341.38; Amaril Uniform Co., uniforms, 1,358.50; AT & T Mobility, phones, 215.80; Bauilio Vasquez Sandoval, refund, 67.87; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,744.09; Christiansen Complete Water, supplies, 26.83; City of Flandreau-Petty Cash, postage, 18.33; Cole's Petroleum Inc., aviation gas, 2,425.60; Curt's Collision Center, repairs, 101.00; Elite Business Systems, lease, 341.13; Eng Services, solid waste, 13,832.42; Epoxy Co., kitchen floor/com center, 7,442.00; Evident, supplies, 216.32; Galls, supplies, 330.45; Heiman, supplies, 233.45; Hydro Klean, repairs, 1,090.00; Jaymar, supplies, 416.40; John Deere Financial, supplies, 63.01; Jose Omar Sanchez, refund, 72.93; Krull's Garage, repairs, 100.54; Locators & Supplies, supplies, 305.50; Lodge at Deadwood, conference, 243.00; Metron-Farnier, meters, 5,111.90; Millborn Seeds, supplies, 1,080.00; Nitza Rubenstein, refund, 52.29; Pictometry International Corp., contract, 4,000.00; Principal Life Insurance Co., dental insurance, 2,241.62; Ryan Sherman, conference, 11.00; Salina Neuman, refund, 39.67; SD Dept. of Health Public Lab Services, water samples, 45.00; SD Retirement System, retirement, 10,216.95; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 242.31; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, contract, 225.84; Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric Coop, repairs, 463.27; Standard insurance Co., life insurance, 265.09; T & R Electric Supply Co., transformer, 12,518.00; Taylor White, supplies, 13.83; Treetop Products, supplies, 179.92; Vast Broadband, phone/cable/internet, 887.08; Verizon Wireless, jet packs/phone, 145.36; Vision Service Plan, vision insurance, 216.75; Wesco, box pad, 548.00; Zachary Weber, conference, 33.37 (22262). The

following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, and Tufty. Nays: None. Absent: Unger. Motion carried.

There were no Visitors to be Heard.

A public hearing was held regarding an application for a Retail (off sale) Liquor License for C2W, LLC, dba Sioux River Spirits. There was no public input. Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to approve the Retail (off sale) Liquor License C2W, LLC, dba Sioux River Spirits. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Abstain: Pesall. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Sutton informed Council that he attended the monthly meeting with the City, FDC and FSST; also in attendance were representatives from the Casino marketing department. Ideas to brand and promote the community were shared. FSST continues to move forward with recreational marijuana in a safe and constructive way and will work with the City regarding safety measures. FSST is also working on opportunities for a vehicular or walking bridge to replace the Crescent Street bridge scheduled for demolition. The possibility of placing radar speeding signs as you approach Flandreau was shared. A community meeting at the Community Center has been scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup> to share information regarding the dam study. The Fire Station Design Committee will meet on May 11<sup>th</sup> to finalize the fire station design.

City Administrator Pederson shared information regarding the upcoming community meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>. He emphasized the purpose of the meeting is to provide specific information regarding the dam option currently selected and is an opportunity for feedback regarding fish habitat and upstream water levels concerns. Representatives will be there to provide information and address questions and concerns. He stressed that it is not a meeting designated to decide whether or not to move forward and remove the dam as that will be addressed by Council at a later date. The State will put in place rules in October regarding medical marijuana; Council will need to determine if the City wishes to require permits for dispensing of the drug. The Aquatic Center will open on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

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

Old Business: Brittany Ho and Kim Hansen, on behalf of the Flandreau Fridays Committee, requested approval of an alternate rain date and an extension of time for the Festival of Nations Event that will be held in the downtown area on June 25<sup>th</sup>. The committee had already requested and been approved to close part of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between Center and Crescent Streets and part of Wind Street between Pipestone and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenues for the event. The committee wishes to have approval of an alternate date if there is inclement weather on June 25<sup>th</sup> and the event has to be postponed. In addition, they wish to extend the hours for the event to end at 2:30 a.m. the following day to allow time for cleanup. Motion by Unger and seconded by Pesall to allow closure of the previously requested streets on June 25<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. until June 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 a.m. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Motion by Unger and seconded by Bjerke to allow closure of the previously requested streets on an alternate date of July 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 p.m, until July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30 a.m. should the event be postponed due to inclement

weather. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Review and discussion of the lease of the Japanese Gardens Pavillion to Parly Property Trust was held. City Administrator Pederson highlighted areas that were modified in order to finalize the lease. Kyle Haug, representing Parly Property Trust, shared his opinion regarding the modifications. Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern to approve the Lease Agreement for the Japanese Gardens Pavilion to Parly Property Trust for a term of ninety-nine (99) years. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

New Business: Mayor Sutton called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Mayor Dan Sutton. Aldermen: Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Bob Pesall, Karen Tufty, and Jason Unger. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Pederson; Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson; City Attorney Corey Bruning; and Kyle Haug, Parly Property Trust.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Pesall to appoint Alderman Bjerke as the Council President. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Tufty and seconded by Unger to appoint Alderman Pesall as the Council Vice President. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to appoint Karen Gundvaldson as the City Finance Officer. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. City Administrator Jeff Pederson administered the Oath of Office to Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson.

Motion by Pesall and seconded by Unger to appoint Bruning & Lewis Law Firm Attorney Corey Bruning as the City Attorney. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern to designate the Moody County Enterprise as the official newspaper. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Bjerke to designate the First National Bank of Flandreau as the official depository. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Ekern to approve the 2020 Annual Report. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to authorize the Mayor to sign an Agreement for Transfer of Entitlements to transfer \$ \$150,000 of the City's 2018 FAA Entitlements to the City of Murdo. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Sealed bids for the concession stand at the City Park for the summer season 2021 were due by 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. No bids were received,

however, a sealed bid was received on Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup> and was subsequently opened. The bid received is as follows:

Tom Hansen            \$334.00

Motion by Pesall and seconded by Fargen to award the bid for the City Park Concession Stand for 2021 to Tom Hansen for \$334.00. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Unger to approve the revision of the wage scale for the Aquatic Center employees and Manager, as well as the Summer Rec Director position. The revised wage for the Aquatic Center Manager of \$7,605.00 and the Summer Rec Director of \$4,357.00 replace the wage amounts for the 2021 season that were previously approved at the March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council meeting. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Pesall and seconded by Tufty to approve a pay step increase for Electric Journey Lineman Ryan Sherman, to \$26.86 per hour effective May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Fargen to approve a pay step increase for Water/Wastewater Operator Anthony Ullom, to \$17.41 per hour effective May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Pesall, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: Alderman Unger shared that he has provided answers to Scott Ramsdell regarding questions he had concerning the Crescent Street Bridge. City Administrator Pederson indicated engineers has presented demolition plans for the bridge to SDDOT; it is anticipated the project will be let for bids this fall.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeff Pederson  
City Administrator