

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 6th, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on May 6th, 2024 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; Finance Officer Lori Kneebone; Stuart Zephier, Kayla Gullickson and Carleen Wild.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers 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 April 15, 2024. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ahlers to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll: 4/17/2024: general, 30,269.69; water, 1,818.12; electric, 7,080.29; sewer, 1,818.12; Payroll: 5/1/2024: general, 26,396.91; water, 1,813.07; electric, 6,980.88; sewer, 1,813.10; (25516) Marilyn Allen, refund, 39.53; (25517) Andres A Davis, refund, 23.15; (25518) AFLAC, supplement insurance, 107.12; Altec Industries, repair, 3,773.17; Amaril Uniform Co., uniforms, 305.72; American Legal Publishing, professional fees, 588.53; Austreim Landscaping, supplies, 159.25; Avera Occupational Medicine, drug & alcohol testing, 100.16; Bender Sewer and Drain, repairs, 2,532.00; Betty Von Eye, medical insurance, 174.70; Big Sioux Comm Water System, water purchases/usage, 20,401.35; Bluepeak, phone/cable/internet, 872.58; Booster Publishing, minutes/lifeguard, 400.00; Border States Electric Supply, street lights/supplies, 4,951.04; BSN Sports, supplies, 2,454.29; Buffalo Ridge Concrete, fire hall concrete, 655.50; Cardmember Services, 1,670.57; Catalis, email services, 120.00; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,574.77; City of Sioux Falls, test samples, 29.00; CNA Surety Direct Bill, contract, 100.00; Core & Main, supplies, 1,756.03; Curt's Collision Center, repairs, 3,720.38; Cybercoach, repairs, 5,528.43; D & D Small Engine Repairs & Sales, mower/supplies, 25,631.25; Dakota Playground, wood fiber surfacing, 2,048.00; Dakota Supply Group, supplies, 147.99; DGR Engineering, professional fees, 4,099.10; Ekern Home Equipment, repairs/supplies, 1,046.12; ELM Customs, repairs/supplies, 2,161.14; Eng Services, contract, 16,457.34; First Savings Bank, professional fees, 3,966.74; Foerster Testing Limited, chip seal, 125.00; FSST, utility taxes, 638.83; Graybar Electric Co., repairs/supplies, 1,706.44; Hawkins, supplies, 60.00; Helms & Associates, professional fees, 1,185.00; IMEG, professional fees, 6,120.00; Jaymar, checks, 488.40; Krull's Garage, repairs, 511.20; Lodge at Deadwood, conference, 255.00; Metron-Farnier, meters, 1,988.76; MidAmerican Energy, gas, 21.25; Moody Conservation District, supplies, 416.80, Moody County Enterprise, advertising, 941.15; Office Peeps, supplies, 67.21; Ole's Lock & Key,

repairs/supplies, 310.00; Principal Life Insurance Co., dental/vision insurance, 1,088.10; Pulscher Brothers, repairs, 9,826.93; Ramsdell F&M, propane/supplies, 714.45; SD Dept of Health Public Lab Services, test samples, 426.00; SD Municipal League, conference, 105.00; SD Retirement System, retirement, 11,992.67; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 100.00; Secretary of State, contract, 60.00; Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation, training, 625.00; Standard Insurance Co., life insurance, 397.02; Stuart C Irby Co., supplies, 48.00; Sturdevant's repairs/supplies, 786.60; T & R Service Co., disposal of assets, 2,942.00; TE Underground, street repair, 2,387.00; Trittech Software Systems, annual software fee, 21,602.99; Tyler Lumber Co., supplies, 12,247.78; Tyler Wallert, training, 36.84; Wesco Receivables Corp., equip, 1,574.00; (25580). April EFT'S: Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 11,104.18; City of Flandreau, city bills, 6,545.65; EFTPS, taxes, 22,796.09; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 123,488.61; Postmaster, postage for utility bills, 424.27; SD State Treas-Sales Tax, taxes, 13,566.07; 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 to the Council that a punch list walk through took place at the new Fire Hall on April 23rd. A final walk through of the building will take place before the City takes over possession of the building on or around May 15th, 2024. An Open House Event will take place, so community members can tour the new building. The Boys and Girls Club Expansion project will begin on May 15th, with the construction expected to take approximately a year. Sutton, along with Administrator Turnquist and Electric Superintendent Sherman, will be attending the annual meeting for Missouri River Energy Services in Sioux Falls. Sutton and Turnquist also plan to meet with the FAA to discuss airport projects. Mayor Sutton and Administrator Turnquist will also meet with Todd Meierhenry about possible funding options for housing development in Flandreau.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist reported that the new playground equipment at the City Park has been installed. Rubber chips will soon be installed to complete the project. The yard waste site will be opening on Wednesday, May 8th, with hours of 3:00-7:00 pm and Saturday hours are 9:00 am-5:00 pm. Testing has been completed at the Duncan Elevator and some asbestos has been found, but will be removed and disposed of properly. Turnquist is working on a Capital Improvement Plan and will hold a workshop with Council members to discuss a 5-year project plan for the City. Updates are happening at the pocket park on main street and there are tentative plans to build a stage in the area to be used for various community events. Public Works Staff will be filling the swimming pool this week, with a tentative opening date set for the end of May.

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

Old Business: None.

New Business: Mayor Dan Sutton was sworn in by Administrator Turnquist, with his term as mayor expiring 5-1-2028.

Aldermen Mark Ekern, Michael Fargen, and Brad Bjerke were sworn in by Administrator Turnquist, with their terms expiring 5-1-2028.

Alderman Yeaton was also sworn in by Administrator Turnquist, with his term expiring 5-1-2026.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Yeaton to appoint Alderman Brad Bjerke as the City Council President. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstention: Bjerke. Motion carried.

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

Finance Officer Lori Kneebone was sworn in by Administrator Cohl Turnquist.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to appoint Corey Bruning as the City of Flandreau's Attorney upon his agreement. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Tufty and seconded by Ekern to designate The Moody County Enterprise as the Official Newspaper for the City of Flandreau. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to designate the First National Bank of Sioux Falls as the Official Depository for the City of Flandreau. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Kayla Gullickson, representative from the Boys and Girls Club, presented information to the Council about the Boys and Girls Club annual shed raffle. Tickets can be purchased for \$30 for the chance to win a 10' x 20' Old Hickory Utility Shed. Raffle tickets can be purchased online at greatfuturesd.org or at the following locations: First National Bank, Maynards, The Spot or River's Edge Cooperative. The drawing for the shed will be held at the Flandreau Friday's Event.

Stuart Zephier, Executive Director for the Flandreau Athletic Hall of Fame, presented information to the Council about an upcoming fundraising event. Zephier is proposing to hold a sports carnival and street dance in downtown Flandreau on Saturday, July 6th. The Flandreau Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet will be held Sunday, July 7th at the Royal Room at the Royal River Casino.

There was no one present to speak about the upcoming Flandreau Rodeo. Administrator Turnquist informed Council that Ethan Hill, owner of Grizzly Meats Locker, is planning to host a rodeo on the grounds by the locker on Saturday, June 1st.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern to approve a temporary alcoholic beverage license to C2W, LLC for an event June 1st, 2024. The license will be valid from 8:00 am June 1st through 2:00 am on June 2nd at the location of Grizzly Meats Locker. 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 pay request number eleven from WS Construction for the new fire station for \$122,185.11. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Bjerke to approve Change Order number six from WS Construction for the new fire station for \$7,459.40. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Tufty to approve the 2024 Flandreau Aquatic Center Seasonal Hires. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Grace Krull	\$12.42	Jazalynn Kampeska	\$11.39
Abby Schoeberl	\$12.42	Cameron Flute	\$11.39
Josie Hamilton	\$12.07	Hannah Krull	\$11.39
Sadie Iott	\$12.07	Micah Otto	\$11.39
Hailieanne Schepel	\$12.07	Nora Hamilton	\$11.39
Ella Hoffman	\$11.73	Lily Williams	\$11.51
Madison Bushkofsky	\$11.73	Paisley Rentschler	\$11.51
Aly Schepel	\$11.73	Xavier Bien	\$11.20
Olivia Peters	\$11.73	Holden Rentschler	\$11.20
Breyana Ramirez	\$11.73	Bret Poitra	\$11.20
Hailey Lahr	\$11.39	Bailey Bergjord	\$11.20
Grace Ehrichs	\$11.20		

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to table the proposal for services with IMEG Engineering for Impact Review of 2024 FEMA Floodplain Risk Map. Administrator Turnquist plans to reach out to IMEG's Engineer to get more information on their proposal. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ekern to accept the bid from Astech Corporation for the chip seal project for \$37,027, with engineering fees from Banner Associates of \$7,750 for a project total of \$44,877. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Tufty to approve the advertisement for bid for the water and sewer improvement project to be published in the City's official newspaper on May 15th and May 22nd, 2024. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to table the 2025 Dispatching Agreement with Moody County for \$73,501.80. Council Members would like to hear from County Officials on how the agreement fee was determined. 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 authorize the mayor to sign the Transportation Alternates Grant Agreement with the South Dakota Department of Transportation. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Tufty to approve the 2023 Annual Report prepared by Schoenfish & Company. 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 go into Executive Session for Personnel at 8:19 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to come out of Executive Session for Personnel at 8:20 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Due to a tornado warning for the area, there was a motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to go into recess at 8:25 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Sutton reconvened the City Council Meeting at 9:43 p.m. with the following present: Mayor Dan Sutton, Aldermen: Curt Ahlers, Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Karen Tufty (via phone), and Tim Yeaton. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist and Finance Officer Lori Kneebone.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to go into Executive Session for Personnel at 9:44 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Ekern to come out of Executive Session for Personnel at 10:13 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Bjerke to go into Executive Session for Legal at 10:14 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Fargen to come out of Executive Session for Legal at 10:37 p.m. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: None

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator