

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
June 1st, 2020**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Monday, June 1st, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Conference.

Present: Mayor Mark Bonrud. Aldermen: Brad Bjerke, Bob Pesall, Dan Sutton, Karen Tufty, Jason Unger, and Donald Whitman. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Pederson; Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson; and Brenda Wade Schmidt, Moody County Enterprise.

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

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Unger to approve the minutes of May 11th, 2020. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Unger, and Whitman. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Whitman and seconded by Unger to approve the minutes of May 18th, 2020. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Unger, and Whitman. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Sutton and seconded by Tufty to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll 5/20/2020: general, 14,950.38; 3rd penny, 237.80; water, 3,682.65; electric, 5,636.13; sewer, 3,296.39; airport, 143.83; solid waste, 410.91; Void (21308). (21309) AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 252.46; Ahlers Automotive, repairs, 20.00; Bobcat of Brookings, repairs, 555.44; Booster Publishing, advertising, 900.00; Border States Electric Supply, supplies, 551.50; Bruning & Lewis Law Firm, professional fees, 1,012.50; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 928.88; City of Flandreau-Petty Cash, supplies, 30.00; Dakota Pump & Control Co., repairs, 1,085.00; DGR Engineering, electric distribution improvements, 1,259.28; Ekern Home Equipment, repairs, 1,729.00; Elite Business Systems, contract, 360.76; Eng Services, contract, 13,602.07; Farmers Implement & Irrigation, supplies, 202.65; Fastenal Company, supplies, 1,954.80; Flandreau Flower Shoppe, flowers/planters, 100.00; Hansen-Thomas, curb & gutter, 1,020.41; Heiman, supplies, 1,108.45; Jonathan Popowski, refund, 45.14; Julie Brustad, refund, 81.87; Kittie Wade, refund, 28.91; Krull's Garage, repairs, 2,961.91; Mike or Jackie Skroch, refund, 216.00; Millborn Seeds, supplies, 68.75; Nina Good Shield, refund, 20.15; Office Peeps, supplies, 50.16; OnSolve, contract, 1,500.00; Patriot Electric, repairs/supplies, 2,238.90; Pitney Bowes-Purchase Powers, postage, 500.00; Principal Life Insurance Co., 1,167.73; Pulscher Brothers, remodel/bathroom/com center, 22,542.83; SD Dept. of Health Public Lab Services, test samples, 287.00; SD Retirement System, retirement, 9,586.74; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 322.31; Standard Insurance Co., life insurance, 276.59; Tyler Lumber Co., supplies, 370.32; Vast Broadband, phone/cable/internet, 909.18; Vision Service Plan, vision insurance, 242.97; (21346). Void (21347). The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Unger, and Whitman. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

There were no Visitors to be Heard.

Mayor Bonrud stated he is pleased with the commitment made within the community and businesses to follow CDC guidelines and continue to social distance in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

City Administrator Jeff Pederson informed Council that work continues intermittently on the Zandt building; he will continue to monitor. Work has begun at Duncan Park for the concrete that will be poured soon for the skate park; a sign listing rules will be ordered and placed at the park as well. He is also investigating potential grant opportunities through a small private foundation that may provide funding for other amenities associated with the skate park. Remodeling of the women's restroom at the William J. Janklow Community Center is complete and is ADA compliant. Nuisance letters were mailed last week by Dave Miller, Code Enforcement Officer. Pederson asked Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson to briefly update Council regarding safety measures that will be in place for the upcoming municipal election on June 9th. The summer recreation program began today with soccer camp; attendance was encouraging.

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

Old Business: Prospective Resolution to Adjust Ordinance 596, An Emergency Ordinance to Address a Public Health Crisis by Implementing Certain Measures Which Have Been Deemed Necessary to Slow the Community Spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) was discussed. Since the Ordinance has expired, the general consensus was that residents and businesses should follow guidelines regarding safety and social distancing themselves and that a second emergency ordinance is not needed at this time. City Administrator Pederson indicated playgrounds will be reopened and camping will once again be allowed at the City Park. The William J. Janklow Community Center will remain closed for now; potential reopening will be discussed at the June 15th Council meeting.

Resolution 2020-03, A Resolution Approving Application for Local Bridge Removal Funds was presented. Numerous public comments, both for and against the demolition of the bridge, were heard. Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Whitman to approve Resolution 2020-03, A Resolution Approving Application for Local Bridge Removal Funds. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, and Whitman. Nays: Unger. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Pesall, that in consideration of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the assessment of late fees will be eliminated and utility services will not be disconnected for utility bills due during the month of June, with review to take place at the first meeting in July to determine whether the temporary policy should be extended for an additional period of time. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Unger, and Whitman. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Unger authorizing the Mayor to sign Emergency Solutions Grant Program Certification for The Wholeness Center's proposed project. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Unger, and Whitman. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

A bid opening was held on Wednesday, May 29th, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. for the concession stand at the City Park for the summer season 2020. One bid was received as follows:

Vonda Crow and Tom Hansen \$100.00

Motion by Unger and seconded by Sutton to award the bid for the City Park Concession Stand for 2020 to Vonda Crow and Tom Hansen for \$100.00. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Pesall, Sutton, Tufty, Whitman, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Council Comments: Alderman Pesall indicated he feels the placement of a pedestrian bridge will demonstrate Council's resolve to refute any belief that institutional racism is harming the City. Alderman Unger stated he realizes the Crescent Street bridge issue that has been ongoing for ten years is a difficult one and he feels Council is trying to be opportunistic with funds that are currently available as they are not available on an annual basis; conversations will be ongoing and he encouraged those with questions contact him personally.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Mark Bonrud
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeff Pederson
City Administrator