

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on Monday, June 7<sup>th</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, Karen Tufty, and Jason Unger. Absent: Bob Pesall. Also present were City Administrator Jeff Pederson; Finance Officer Karen Gundvaldson; City Attorney Corey Bruning; and Brenda Wade Schmidt, Moody County Enterprise.

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

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to approve the minutes of May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Unger to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll 5/17/2021: general, 23,086.60; water, 1,387.31; electric, 4,201.97; sewer, 1,387.31; airport, 150.41; solid waste, 404.58; (22314) Aquatic Center-Petty Cash, pool starting cash, 200.00; (22315) A-1 Portable Toilet, rentals, 140.00; AFLAC, supplement insurance, 341.38; Ahlers Automotive, repairs, 643.07; Ashtyn Bertram, summer rec-track, 500.00; AT & T Mobility, phones, 215.80; Big Sioux Comm Water System, water purchase/usage, 16,989.46; Booster Publishing, advertising, 1,170.00; Bruning & Lewis Law Firm, professional fees, 2,612.50; Caley Studsdahl, refund, 19.90; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,254.35; Chesterman Co., supplies, 684.80; City of Flandreau-Petty Cash-postage, 28.00; Construction Products & Consultants, supplies, 30.00; Curt's Collision Center, repairs, 75.50; Cybercoach, repairs, 1,451.19; Daron Christensen, repairs, 1,450.00; Delores Hammer, supplies, 87.96; Ditch Witch of South Dakota, repairs, 235.31; Electrical Engineering & Equipment, generator-Ahlers lift station, 36,680.00; Elite Business System, contract, 508.81; Emergency Apparatus Maintenance, repairs, 2,936.13; Eng Services, contract, 14,055.78; Evident, supplies, 578.75; FSST, utility taxes collected, 644.57; Game Time, repairs, 913.79; Hawkins, repairs/supplies, 2,317.99; Hydraulic World, repairs, 319.89; IMEG, professional fees, 5,400.00; Interstate Power Systems, repairs, 549.00; Kenney Acoustical Tile, repair Com Center, 350.00; King Insurance Agency, summer rec, 187.50; Krull's Garage, repairs, 1,463.99; M & T Fire and Safety, supplies, 540.00; Maynards of Flandreau, supplies, 1,491.44; McClain Barron, refund, 100.00; MidAmerican Energy, gas bill, 3,330.35; Missouri River Energy Services, professional fees, 116.00; Northern Safety Co., uniforms, 57.58; Office Peeps, supplies, 114.52; Ole's Lock & Key, supplies, 799.40; Pitney Bowes-Leasing, qtly charges, 504.63; Principal Life Insurance Co., dental insurance, 14,120.81; Robert Longcrow, refund, 568.95; Sanitation Products, supplies, 983.22; SD Dept. of Health Public Lab Services, test samples, 695.00; SD Retirement System, retirement, 10,403.06; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 242.31; Sioux Valley Energy, electric, 152.00; Sparkle Car Wash,

police, 8.55; Standard Insurance Co., life insurance, 265.09; Tamara L Stenger, deposit refund, 250.00; Tritech Software Systems, annual maintenance fee, 16,413.57; Tyler Lumber Co., supplies, 530.57; Vast Broadband, phone/cable/internet, 891.08; Verizon Wireless, jet packs/phone, 145.32; Vision Service Plan, vision insurance, 216.75; Wesco, supplies, 9,549.35; (22372). The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

There were no Visitors to be Heard.

Mayor Sutton thanked City Administrator Jeff Pederson and Randy Wilts for their efforts in preparing the park next to First National Bank for the summer. A young resident of Flandreau may be present at the next meeting to discuss littering concerns. The rodeo this past weekend was a success despite the extreme heat. The City Park looks great and was very busy this past weekend due to ball tournaments. Complaints have been received regarding dilapidated buildings; discussion will be held later in the meeting.

City Administrator Pederson shared information regarding the Community Meeting held on May 18<sup>th</sup> concerning the City Dam. Representatives from Barr Engineering and Game, Fish and Parks held a presentation and answered questions regarding Option 1B that had previously been selected by Council. A total of 15 written comments were received; most were not in favor of removal of the dam and had concerns regarding a negative impact on fishing or removal or a historical marker. Pederson feels it best to allow time before placing on the Council agenda again. In conversation with Barr Engineering, Ron Koth did address the questions asked at the meeting that required further research. He stated the downstream water level and irrigation will not be impacted; vegetation at the upstream wetlands may change as the land will revert to its natural state. Pederson shared a recent conversation with a representative from Game, Fish and Parks who stated they are able to cover 100% of the cost to take Option 1B to the final design level as it has already been approved by US Fish and Wildlife. In addition, the project has been added to their planning list should funding become available under the upcoming Infrastructure Bill. The project would need to be "shovel ready" and the State of SD can determine which project to fund. City Administrator Pederson informed Council of a Fire Design Committee meeting held last week to work on final design details. There will be a public presentation at a later date to share information, discuss functionality, department needs, and the value of longevity of 50-60 years due to the construction design.

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

Old Business: None

New Business: Motion by Fargen and seconded by Bjerke to approve the Moody County Sportsmen Club Annual Lease. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

Motion by Unger and seconded by Ekern to approve 2021-2022 Malt Beverage License applications for the following:

Powers Oil Co., Inc.  
Retail (On-Off Sale) Malt Beverage

510 E. Pipestone Avenue, Pett, Block 5, Lots 4, 5, 6

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

Motion by Unger and seconded by Tufty to approve the Agreement with Flandreau School District for School Resource Officer. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern to approve the wages for the following 2021 Aquatic Center seasonal hires:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Pay Status</b>	<b>Pay Rate</b>
Assistant Mgr	Brooklyn Hiniker	4 year Asst Mgr/Lifeguard	\$ 12.10
Clerk	Tiffany Taylor	1 year clerk	\$ 9.00
Clerk	Olivia Peters	1 year clerk	\$ 9.00
Clerk	Megan Quarles	1 year clerk	\$ 9.00
Clerk	Julie Pitsenberger	1 year clerk	\$ 9.00
Lifeguard	Elizabeth Pavlis	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
		WSI	\$ 10.25
Lifeguard	Abigail Greenhoff	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Hanna Ten Eyck	2 year lifeguard/WSI	\$ 10.51
Lifeguard	Ethan Ten Eyck	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
		WSI	\$ 10.25
Lifeguard	Maria Parsley	2 year lifeguard	\$ 10.25
Lifeguard	Trey Jaycox	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Kennedy Headrick	5 year lifeguard/WSI	\$ 11.53
Lifeguard	Hayden Neises	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Breyana Ramirez	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Merritt Kvigne	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Brayden Wiese	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Kaiden Goehring	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Karissa Nolan	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Isabella Pavlis	2 year lifeguard/WSI	\$ 10.51
Lifeguard	Charles Scotting	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Hannah Parsley	2 year lifeguard/WSI	\$ 10.51
Lifeguard	Karlie Ten Eyck	2 year lifeguard/WSI	\$ 10.51
Lifeguard	Lanz Dailey	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Sergio Morales	1 year lifeguard	\$ 10.00
Lifeguard	Lurick Dailey	2 year lifeguard	\$ 10.25
Lifeguard	Tessa Ryan	3 year lifeguard	\$ 10.76

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

Motion by Tufty and seconded by Unger to approve a temporary liquor license for Bar X Bar for the Ashley Stenger Wedding Dance at the William J. Janklow Community Center on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Tufty to approve temporary liquor licenses for Bar X Bar, Fajita's Bar and Grill, Fat Boys Bar, and Hunkake Café, for the Festival of Nations Event to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between Center and Crescent Streets, and Wind Street between Pipestone and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021, with an alternate date of July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 should there be a cancellation due to weather. The following members voted aye: Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty, and Unger. Nays: None. Absent: Pesall. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding enforcement of the Property Code as it applies to dilapidated structures and those requiring maintenance. City Administrator Pederson shared photos of examples of structures that are in violation. Options discussed were hiring an inspector to do a comprehensive study of the City; utilizing an impartial Code Enforcement Officer; remedies for non-compliance such as fines; adopting the International Property Maintenance Code; and mitigation/demolition of violations. City Attorney Corey Bruning recommends using the court system for non-compliant structures after adoption of the International Property Maintenance Code. The matter will be brought forth again at a future meeting.

City Administrator Pederson shared information regarding available sources of funding and prospective sources of financing for the Fire Station Project. Also provided were several scenarios to consider. At this time, application for a Community Block Grant is not a viable option due to a determination that the area served by the Fire Department does not meet the income eligibility requirements. Pederson suggested that a meeting between Council and Tom Grimmond, Colliers Securities, could provide more information for those scenarios that pertain to bonding.

Council Comments: Alderman Bjerke felt the opportunity for those interested to visit one-on-one with presenters at the Community Meeting regarding the dam was helpful. However, at this time, he is skeptical regarding numbers provided and has concerns about the projected level of impact and sub soil moisture. He feels there are other options that could be pursued to resolve the safety issue at the dam. Alderman Ekern stated his agreement with Bjerke and is concerned about the water level reductions at the City Park.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeff Pederson  
City Administrator