

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 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, and Tim Yeaton. Absent: Alderman Tufty and Administrator Turnquist. Also present were City Finance Officer Lori Kneebone; and Shane Waterman, IMEG Engineer.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Mayor Sutton asked for an addition to the proposed agenda to add the authorization to pay off interim construction loan with First Savings Bank for the new fire station in the amount of \$659,017.13. Motion by Fargen and seconded by Yeaton to accept the proposed change to the agenda. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to approve the minutes of June 17, 2024. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll: 6/26/2024: general, 37,095.05; water, 2,281.10; electric, 6,460.44; sewer, 2,281.12; (25796) SD Dept of Revenue & Regulation, malt beverage license, 150.00; (25797) Karina Veraly Silva Lopez, refund, 71.00; (25798) Marcos Tolio Angulo, refund, 78.59; (25799) Yellie Jardines, refund, 49.85; (25800) A-1 Portable Toilets, rental, 890.00; Adam Feste, training, 160.00; AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 194.12; Althoff Crane Service, Inc., rental, 1,500.00; Avera Heart Hospital of South Dakota, and machines, 5,118.00; Betty Von Eye, medical insurance, 174.70; BLS Enterprises, stripe/fire dept/floor, 698.80; Bluepeak, phone/cable/internet, 805.50; Border States Electric Supply, 1,589.15; BX Civil & Construction, repair, 3,000.00; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,694.60; City of Sioux Falls, test samples, 29.00; Core & Main, supplies, 3,396.13; Crystal Theatre Cultural Assoc., summer rec, 370.00; Curt's Collision Center, repairs, 505.02; D & D Small Engine Repairs & Sales, supplies, 654.91; DGR Engineering, professional fees, 405.00; Dusty's Custom, conference, 12.57; Ekern Home Equipment, repairs/supplies, 1,533.75; Eng Services, contract, 15,504.00; Flandreau Volunteer Fire Dept., meetings/calls, 4,792.00; FSST, utility taxes collected, 633.45; Graybar Electric Co., supplies, 1,516.02; Hansen-Thomas Inc., sidewalk, 1,836.74; Hawkins, supplies, 813.00; Helms & Associates, professional, 310.00; Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, conference, 266.85; Jaymes Zollner, training, 11.17; Jesus Hernandez, com center refund, 250.00; Jill Fedders-Ellefson, summer rec/art camp/supplies, 567.66; Joselyn C Silva, com center refund, 250.00; Josh Edlund, summer rec/football, 400.00; Kerry Zephier, refund/summer rec/track, 45.00; Krull's Garage, repairs,

807.10; Lori Kneebone, conference, 45.90; MidAmerican Energy, gas bills, 32.41; Northern Truck Equip, repairs, 871.00; Patriot Electric, repairs, 2,888.54; Plunkett's Pest Control, professional fees, 137.00, Principal Life Insurance Co., dental & Vision insurance, 1,193.98; Ramsdell F&M, repairs/supplies, 1,115.00; River Thru AG Services, supplies, 440.00; SD Retirement System, retirement, 12,709.49; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 100.00; Siteone Landscape Supply, repairs, 659.18; Standard Insurance Co., life insurance, 497.12; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies, 114.38; The Spot Drive-In, safety, 75.00; Wesco Receivables Corp., supplies/meters, 7,622.97; (25847) June EFT'S: Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 11,808.09; City of Flandreau, city bills, 7,859.08; EFTPS, taxes, 27,693.40; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 119,032.42; Postmaster, postage for utility bills, 426.71; SD State Treas-Sales Tax, taxes, 10,709.17; US Dept. of Agriculture, 2019 water & sewer payment, 21,487.00. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Visitors to Be Heard: None.

Mayor Dan Sutton reported that he and Finance Officer Kneebone signed final loan papers with Rural Development for their portion of the fire station financing. Sutton thanked everyone involved in the successful open house event held at the new fire station; approximately 400 people attended. Sutton also expressed thanks to the Flandreau Fridays committee members for hosting another successful event. The City Campground is still closed, due to flooding. Please call the city office to inquire if the city campground is open before traveling to camp. Sutton congratulated Administrator Turnquist and his wife Dacey on the birth of their son, Audie Jon, who was born on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

City Administrator's Report: None.

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

Old Business: Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Ekern to reject Ordinance No. 621: Establishing City Park Hours. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried. More information is needed and a new ordinance may be developed and brought to the council for review at an upcoming meeting.

New Business: Shane Waterman, engineer for IMEG, presented information to Council about the proposal for construction administration services for the Utility Improvement Project. IMEG will provide full-time construction observation, construction staking, coordinate the construction material testing, process all construction documents and administer the contact between H & W Contracting and the City. The total amount of the proposed services is \$781,000.

Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ekern to approve the proposal for construction administration services with IMEG Engineering for \$781,000 to be split between the water and sewer enterprise funds for the upcoming utility improvement project. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve Pay Request #14 to WS Construction for Partial Retainage of the new fire station for \$123,156.26. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Ahlers and seconded by Bjerke to approve Change Order #7 to WS Construction to add signage to the north side of the fire station building for \$22,530.65. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Fargen to approve the authorization of \$527,020 to be paid to First Savings Bank, using funds from Rural Development, to pay off the interim construction loan associated with the new fire station. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Finance Office Lori Kneebone provided council with a second quarter sales tax revenue report. The numbers are slightly below the 2024 budget projections, but Kneebone will continue to monitor the revenues and will report to council with any concerns.

A list of City property that is no longer in use was provided to Council requesting they declare all items as surplus property to be sold at a joint auction with Flandreau Public Schools and Moody County to be held on July 30, 2024.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Yeaton to declare all listed property as surplus to be sold at auction. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve Resolution 2024-07, a resolution regarding the rendering of mutual aid assistance with Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association (MMUA). The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to approve Resolution 2024-08, the final plat of Lot 8A and Lot 9A in Block 5 of Wilson's Addition. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to approve the placement of Josie Hamilton on Step 1 of the Aquatic Center Assistant Manager Wage Scale at \$12.42/hourly. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ahlers to approve the temporary on-sale special alcoholic beverage license to The Filling Station for the Flandreau Athletic Hall of Fame Street Dance to be held on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. on July 6<sup>th</sup> to 2:00 a.m. on July 7<sup>th</sup>. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: Tufty. Motion carried.

Council Comments: Alderman Yeaton had questions about the placement of the band for the upcoming street dance. Mayor Sutton said city staff would reach out to the event coordinator to inquire about the setup for the dance.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist  
City Administrator