

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
November 6th, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on November 6th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 1005 W. Elm Avenue, Flandreau, SD.

Present: Aldermen: Curt Ahlers, Brad Bjerke, Mark Ekern, Mike Fargen, Karen Tufty (via phone) and Tim Yeaton. Absent: Mayor Dan Sutton. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist; Finance Officer Lori Kneebone; and John Ulwelling.

Council President, Brad Bjerke, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Fargen and seconded by Yeaton to adopt the proposed agenda. 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 Fargen to approve the minutes of October 16th, 2023. 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 Ahlers to allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll: 10/18/2023: general, 25,693.75; water, 2,185.56; electric, 6,685.10; sewer, 2,185.56; solid waste, 295.31; 11/1/2023; general 27,419.98; water, 1,925.08; electric, 6,385.79; sewer, 1,925.08; solid waste, 192.13; (24909) Adrian Rodriguez, refund, 77.34; Shawn Dahmen, refund, 17.39; Adams Bucket Service, contract service, 5650.00; AFLAC, supplement insurance, 187.59; AM Conservation Group, light bulbs, 367.26; Amelia Knuth, training, 32.05; AT & T Mobility, phones, 212.68; Axon Enterprise, license bundle, 4,972.91; Best Western Ramkota Hotel-Rapid City, conference, 641.94; Betty Von Eye, health insurance, 164.90; Big Sioux Comm Water System, purchase/usage, 18,403.11; Bluepeak, phone/cable/internet, 872.67; Booster Publishing, city minutes, 250.00; Border States Electric Supply, supplies, 2,691.62; Cardmember Services, supplies/repair/conference, 1,674.61; Cenex Fleetcard, gas/oil, 1,623.83; Christiansen Complete Water, supplies, 29.91; Cintas, rentals, 493.81; City of Flandreau-Petty Cash, postage, 51.00; City of Sioux Falls, water test, 29.00; CNA Surety Direct Bill, SD notary public, 50.00; Consolidated Electrical Distributor, repair, 4,443.77; Core & Main LP, meter spuds, 570.53; Crystal Theatre Cultural Assoc., comm sponsorship, 1000.00; Cybercoach, repairs, 394.99; Dustin Lau, reimbursement, 36.32; Dusty's Custom, repair, 650.00; Elm Customs, rental, 200.00; Eng Services, contract, 16,343.04; Fed EX, transportation Charge, 17.68; FSST, Oct. utility taxes collect, 773.83; Fuller Paving, patching, 8,300.00; Graybar Electric Co., repairs, 1,767.95; Great America Financial SVCS, agreement, 210.50; Hansen-Thomas, repair, 32,019.31; Hawkins, supplies, 60.00; Helms & Associates, airport hangar reconstruction design, 2,593.48; Jacob Pulscher, curb and gutter, 1,200.00; Krull's Garage, repairs, 293.69; M & T Fire & Safety, repair, 13,832.58; MidAmerican Energy, gas bill, 498.51; MN Municipal Utilities Assoc., training, 4,126.15; Office Peeps, supplies, 235.19; Patriot Electric, supplies, 54.53; Plunkett's Pest Control, professional fees,

137.00; Principal Life Insurance Co., dental & vision, 1,317.77; Pulscher Brothers, labor/material/concrete, 1,586.68; Ramsdell F&M, supplies, 151.26; SD Retirement System, retirement, 12,186.54; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 200.00; Secretary of State, notary public filing fee, 30.00; Shaykett Appraisal Co., airport land, 5,000.00; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, contract, 206.48; Sioux Valley Energy, electric, 159.00; Standard Insurance Co., life insurance, 490.98; Stuart C Irby Co., repair, 4,00.00; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, repair/supplies, 130.96; TE Underground, install primary & Second wire, 6,070.00; Transunion Risk and Alternative, contract, 120.00; Tyler Lumber Co., supplies, 271.42; Verizon Wireless, phones/cable/ internet, 293.89; Wesco Receivables Corp, 6,247.98; (24970). October EFT'S: Avera Health Plans, health insurance, 9,553.10; City of Flandreau, city bills, 5,162.72; EFTPS, taxes, 22,704.37; Missouri River Energy Services, energy cost, 135,471.02; SD State Treas-Sales Tax, taxes, 11,085.43; US Dept. of Agriculture, 2019 water & sewer payment, 21,487.00. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held for the Assessment of Mowing of the following properties: 112 East 1st Avenue, Flandreau; 902 South Wind Street, Flandreau; 600 South Veterans Street, Flandreau; 310 East Park Avenue, Flandreau. There was no public input.

Visitors to Be Heard: Flandreau resident John Ulwelling expressed concerns about his headstone at the Flandreau Cemetery, which is leaning over due to tree roots. Administrator Turnquist and Public Works Superintendent Tanner Harris will check into this issue and stay in contact with Mr. Ulwelling.

There was no Mayor's report.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist informed Council that a representative from Missouri River Energy Services will be giving a presentation on the electric rate study at the first council meeting in December. Turnquist is pleased with the progress being made at the Fire Station. An engineer from IMEG will also be present at the first council meeting in December to give an update on the planning stages of the water and sewer project. Turnquist informed Council that the City Office will be closed on Friday, November 10th in observance of Veteran's Day and November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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

Old Business: None.

New Business: Motion by Yeaton and seconded by Ahlers to approve the 2024 Liquor License Renewals for: Sioux River Spirits, C2W, LLC; Bar X Bar, Inc.; Knuckleheads, Inc. (Fatboys Bar); DCC, Inc. (Mad Mary's Steakhouse); Maynards of Flandreau; Dolgen Midwest LLC, (Dollar General Store #20289); FSST, (Royal River Casino). 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 Ahlers to approve Payment Request Number Five (No. 5) for Series 2023 Water Improvement Project for professional services for IMEG Engineering for \$47,580.00. 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 Yeaton to approve Payment Request Number Five (No. 5) from WS Construction Management, LLC for the Flandreau Fire Station for \$540,661.55. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Yeaton to approve the Sourcewell Contract for Playground Equipment for the Flandreau City Park. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. The total price for the purchase and installation of the play set is \$68,349.98. Funding sources are \$38,000 from Wellmark Foundation grant, and \$30,500 from Flandreau Development Corporation and the Flandreau Park Days Committee.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Ahlers to approve the proposal from Dakota Playground for ground materials and border for the new City Park Playground set. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. The total purchase for ground materials and border is \$6,285, with funding from Flandreau Park Days Committee, Flandreau Development Corporation, and funds allocated out of the City's General Fund.

Motion by Ekern and seconded by Fargen to approve Resolution 2023-23, which will assess mowing costs. 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 Yeaton to approve Resolution 2023-24, a \$25,000 transfer from the Contingency Fund, which was approved in the 2023 Appropriation Ordinance No. 611. 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 approve the Proposal from Missouri River Energy Services for a Water Rate Study with a fee of \$13,000, which will be allocated out of the Water Enterprise Fund. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty (via phone) and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Yeaton to authorize the Mayor to sign the Moody County Community Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. 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 Ahlers to go into Executive Session on a Legal Matter at 7:11 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 Ahlers to come out of Executive Session on a Legal Matter at 7:48 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 Council President declared the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Brad Bjerke
Council President

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist
City Administrator