

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

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Flandreau, South Dakota, met in regular session on November 18<sup>th</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, Karen Tufty, and Tim Yeaton. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Cohl Turnquist and Finance Officer Lori Kneebone.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. Motion by Yeaton 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 Fargen and seconded by Tufty to approve the minutes of November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. 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 allow the following claims for the City and to pay them: Payroll: 11/13/24: general, \$23,102.14; water, \$2,215.01; electric, \$5,157.63; sewer, \$2,215.05. (26265) Access Systems Leasing, contract, 514.41; AFLAC, supplemental insurance, 277.44; Altec Industries, repair, 374.63; Banner Associates, contract, 287.01; Big Sioux Comm Water System, water purchase/utilities, 17,856.90; Booster Publishing, minutes, 349.00; Border States Electric Supply, repairs/supplies, 525.02; Bruning & Lewis Law Firm, professional fees, 8,100.00; Christiansen Complete Water, supplies, 29.91; City of Brookings, contract, 640.20; Code Enforcement Specialists, professional fees; 249.00; Consolidated Ready Mix, concrete pads, 4,912.88; Core & Main, repairs, 1,185.20; East River Electric Power, supplies, 2,532.01; Einspahr Auto Plaza, repairs, 269.90; Ekern Home Equipment, repairs, 377.75; Eng Services, contract, 725.00; Great America Financial SVCS, contract, 187.11; Helms & Associates, hanger taxilane, 3,241.84; Maynards of Flandreau, supplies, 329.87; MidAmerican Energy, utilities, 292.81; Missouri River Energy Services, contract, 386.20; Moody County Enterprise, publishing/advertising, 1,190.46; Office Peeps, supplies, 111.28; Ottertail Power Co., utilities, 197.29; Outlaw Graphics, stickers/recycling bins, 223.60; Paul Cline, stone wall repair/park, 500.00; Pitney Bowes-Purchase Powers, postage, 719.74; Ramsdell F&M, rentals, 425.00; River's Edge Cooperative, gas/oil, 1,443.21; Schoenfish & Co., professional fees, 500.00; SD Municipal League, conference, 65.00; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan, retirement, 50.00; Silverado Franklin Historic Hotel & Gaming Complex, conference, 357.00; Sioux Falls Area Human Society, professional fees, 312.60; Sioux Valley Energy, utilities, 205.00; Steves Tire & Service, 310.00; Sturdevant's Auto Supply, supplies, 22.62; Transunion Risk and Alternative, dues, 120.00; Valley Fibercom, phone/internet, 773.04; Von Corporation, fault finder, 15,065.00; Waxdahl Napa Plus, repairs, 28.92; (26306). The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held for the vacation of a portion of Lindsay Street between Block 17 and 18 of Pettigrew's First Addition to the City of Flandreau, Moody County, South Dakota.

No public input was heard.

Visitors to Be Heard: None.

Mayor Dan Sutton thanked the City for supporting the Crystal Theatre's production of The Little Mermaid. Sutton is also encouraging residents to attend the Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., which is sponsored by the Flandreau Parade Committee, and includes a lighting ceremony at the courthouse.

City Administrator Cohl Turnquist reported that there will be a special joint public hearing with city council members and Moody County Commissioners on Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 at the William Janklow Community Center to discuss the future of the ambulance. The Boys and Girls Club has decided to postpone the acceptance of the bid for the Early Childhood Learning Center until the spring of 2025. Turnquist is still receiving housing surveys and will update the council on the results at an upcoming meeting. The contract with Eng Services will expire at the end of the year and City officials are working with Eng Services on a 3-year agreement extension. Turnquist reported that the final day for the Yard Waste Site will be Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Motion by Fargen and seconded by Ekern 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: Motion by Bjerke and seconded by Yeaton to approve Resolution 2024-19, a \$25,000 transfer from the Contingency Fund, which was approved in Ordinance No. 615: 2024 Appropriation Ordinance. 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 approve Resolution 2024-20: Vacation of a portion of Lindsay Street between Block 17 and 18 of Pettigrew's First Addition to the City of Flandreau, Moody County, South Dakota. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Tufty and seconded by Yeaton to approve the Pay Application to Astech Surface Treatment for \$36,762 for application of a seal coat to a portion of the City's asphalt surface. The following members voted aye: Ahlers, Bjerke, Ekern, Fargen, Tufty and Yeaton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the City's current sick leave policy. Turnquist is proposing allowing employees who have accumulated more than 40 hours of sick leave to donate up to 40 hours to another employee through a donation policy. More information will be shared at an upcoming meeting. No council action was taken.

Council Comments: None.

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Daniel D. Sutton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cohl Turnquist  
City Administrator