

CITY OF BIG STONE CITY

Big Stone City, South Dakota

July 2, 2018

7:00 p.m.

The Big Stone City council met in regular session on Monday July 2, 2018 meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Wiik presiding. Roll Call: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, and Baerwaldt. Others present: William E. Coester, Donna Van Hout, Bryan Austin, Scott Stecker, Earl Lundin, Dewane Stoddard, Ann Grabow, Matt Grabow, Arvene Van Hout, Roger Thiele and Joe Wiik.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the South Dakota State Pledge were recited. Motion to accept the minutes from the June meeting was made by Gulley and seconded by Henderson. All in favor, motion carried.

A public hearing was held for an application for a one-day special event license for the Big Stone City Fire Department. Dates of the event will be July 7, 2018. Motion to approve a one day Malt Beverage/Liquor license for the Big Stone City Fire Department was made by Gulley and seconded by Baerwaldt. Voting in favor: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, Henderson and Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment.

Republic National	\$ 1,722.50	On/Off Sale Liquor
SD Dept. of Revenue	\$ 5,979.34	Sales Tax
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Dept. of Energy	\$ 19,637.61	Charges for Services
MRES	\$ 10,616.78	Charges for Services
MRES	\$ 10,431.00	Charges for Services
WorldPay	\$ 225.27	Credit Card Fees
Border States Coop	\$ 519.03	Fuel
Hartman's	\$ 31.42	Supplies
MacDaddy's	\$ 1,020.02	Fuel
Midco	\$ 457.08	Charges for Services
City of Big Stone City	\$ 300.00	Customer Deposits
SD Supplemental Retirement	\$ 500.00	retirement
SD Retirement	\$ 2,829.42	retirement
SDCS	\$ 353.08	Payroll Withholding
IRS	\$ 3,571.86	Payroll Taxes
Banyon Data Systems	\$ 35.00	Report Writer Session
Postmaster	\$ 114.80	Utility Bills
Midco	\$ 103.55	Utilities
Verizon	\$ 172.27	Internet/Cell phones
Frito Lay	\$ 167.56	Snacks
SD GFP	\$ 496.00	Hunting/Fishing
Wesco	\$ 1,623.75	Street Lighting
Midwest Irrigation	\$ 428.35	Liquor/Shop
Quill	\$ 269.75	Misc. Supplies
Rural Development	\$ 4,108.00	Sewer Loan
Main Street Service	\$ 848.95	Police/Streets
Cintas	\$ 402.57	Cleaning Supplies

Lori Seidell	\$	38.24	Summer Rec Supplies
SD One Call	\$	32.48	Locates
Donna Van Hout	\$	327.40	Finance Officers School
Cenex	\$	195.91	Fire Dept.
Valley Office Products	\$	25.47	Electric
KDIO	\$	250.00	Advertising
Big Stone Area Hardware	\$	65.88	Parks
Street Graphix	\$	1,211.66	Summer Rec T-Shirts
SD DENR	\$	260.00	Drinking Water Fee
Ronglien	\$	6,393.47	Water/Streets/Misc.
Donna Van Hout	\$	90.00	Report Writers Class
Interstate's Power	\$	1,312.49	Sewer Lift Station
Wildung Implement	\$	69.95	Lawn Mower
Progressive	\$	374.10	Parks
Sturdevant	\$	564.51	Misc. Supplies
Aflac	\$	216.74	Supplemental Health Insurance
Republic	\$	558.74	On/Off Sale Liquor
Bank of America	\$	268.42	Liquor/Police
Clay House	\$	240.00	Summer Rec
City of Big Stone City	\$	4,420.39	Utilities
HPSD	\$	8,685.84	Health Insurance
City of Big Stone City	\$	75.00	KF-Apply to acct
Gary Berry	\$	75.00	Customer Deposit
Heather LaMee	\$	75.00	Customer Deposit
Aaron Quinn	\$	75.00	Customer Deposit
Republic	\$	2,037.30	On/Off Sale Liquor
Johnson Bros	\$	3,472.11	On/Off Sale Liquor
Granite Ice	\$	223.00	Liquor Store
Pepsi	\$	107.13	Soda Pop
Coca-Cola	\$	79.25	Soda Pop
Bernatello's	\$	262.00	Pizza
Harry's Frozen Food	\$	326.00	Pizza
Ellwein Brothers	\$	11,618.80	On/Off Sale Beer
Porter Dist.	\$	1,649.50	On/Off Sale Beer
Southern Glazer's	\$	745.49	On/Off Sale Liquor
Farner Bocken	\$	895.33	Liquor Store
Runnings	\$	73.90	Liquor/Park
Milbank Winwater	\$	46.68	Water Dept.
Northwestern Energy	\$	41.29	Utilities
Border States Supply	\$	257.91	Street Lights
Pro Action	\$	119.99	Police
Travis Sherod	\$	150.00	Repairs
MRES	\$	2,376.00	Misc. Services
Resco	\$	274.80	Electric Dept.
Principle Life	\$	142.66	Life Insurance
Waste Mgr.	\$	3,956.77	Charges for Services
Coester	\$	800.00	Legal
Grant County Review	\$	65.42	Publishing
IRS	\$	3,348.82	Payroll Taxes
SDCS	\$	353.08	Payroll Withholding
Postmaster	\$	24.70	Water Sample
Petty Cash	\$	55.71	Misc. Supplies
Postmaster	\$	70.00	Postcard Stamps
MacDaddy's	\$	1,115.05	Fuel
Wesco	\$	3,168.99	Street lights/Electric

Maintenance	\$ 11,579.53	June Payroll
Public Safety	\$ 5,042.99	June Payroll
Finance	\$ 3,065.92	June Payroll
Liquor Store	\$ 6,715.67	June Payroll
Summer Rec	\$ 1,000.00	June Payroll
	\$ 27,404.11	

Motion to pay the presented claims was made by Henderson and seconded by Hanson. Voting in favor: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, Henderson and Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

Earl Lundin attended the council meeting representing the BSC Developmental Corp. At the last EDA meeting, the board discussed paying for ½ of Matt Grabow's engineering fees. Matt would turn everything he has from the engineer over to the EDA. Earl recommended the council pay half and the EDA would pay the other half. The Mayor asked for feedback from the council. And Mr. Coester reminded the Mayor that he didn't think the council could just give the money to Matt. Ann Grabow reminded them that the city or the EDA would receive all of the engineers work. The council did not have any feedback at this time. A lengthy discussion was held on whether this was something the council wanted to do. Scott Stecker asked if it could be worded differently saying it was to purchase the plans. The Mayor asked Dewane Stoddard if the Planning & Zoning had talked to Don Haukos about first right of refusal and if Don had signed off on it. Dewane said that Don said he would not sign off on it but he did not say if he wanted to develop the land. There was a discussion on whether Don even has the first right of refusal. From the information Doug received, he thinks the law says the city can only put the land up for public bid. The Mayor thinks, from the information she received, that the land can be given to the EDA to sell to a business. The city attorney agrees that the council could give the money to the EDA and they would be able to do with the money has the EDA see fit.

Hanson made a motion to give the Big Stone EDA \$5,000. Rabe seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Hanson, Baerwaldt, & Rabe. Voting against: McMahon, Henderson, & Gulley. With the motion being a tie, Mayor cast the deciding vote by voting in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Joe Wiik attended the meeting representing the Big Stone City Fire Department. He was there to discuss the license plates for the fire dept. Some of the trucks are under the city, some are under BSC Fire Dept. and still others are under Big Stone City Volunteer Fire Dept. He would like to have them all under one name and off of the city's account. A motion was made by Gulley and seconded by Hanson to sign off on the 2 titles under the city's account. Mr. Coester recommended the FD call the SD Secretary of State to get the correct name for the fire dept. Joe also wanted to inform the city that they are looking at doing a scheduled burn in city limits. They have not talked to the neighbors yet but would do that before they would burn the house. Mr. Coester remarked it was a good training. The Mayor asked Joe if they had ever had issues any time they have done a scheduled burn. Joe replied that they have not had issues. The Mayor said it sounded like it would be ok with the council.

Arvene Van Hout attended the meeting to express her disappointment on the dirt and grass work that was done in her yard for the water project. She is very upset with the grass that was planted. She had grass before and now she has weeds. The Mayor will have Utility Manager Athey look into the matter.

The council discussed the ordinance they received at the June meeting. Mayor Wiik had asked them to go thru the ordinance and make notes. Hanson would like to see the whole thing thrown out. Gulley thought this ordinance went into a lot more detail then was needed. Scott Stecker had gone thru the ordinance and gave his thoughts. Dewane Stoddard discussed what the P&Z thought of the ordinance. No action was taken.

Roger Thiele attended the meeting. He owns property in the Big Stone City limits and he would like to have to snow removal changed. The council recommended he talk to Utility Manager Athey about this issue. Roger would like the city to plow the alleys. Scott Stecker reminded Roger that the city does not plow alleys. Roger asked Bryan Austin, the Electric Superintendent what he could do. Bryan would not do anything because he is not in charge of streets. Next, Roger would like to have a water stop put in at his property at 815 Lake Street. His water line froze in February and when it thawed in March, the city could not shut off his water and a plumber had to be called. Mayor Wiik texted Utility Manager Athey and received a text back stating that he has someone lined up to do the work the week of July 16th. Roger also was upset because the water is shut off at the 102 Lake Street address and will not be turned on until delinquent bills from his past renters have been paid. He then questioned the council about what they are paying for their electric rates because he feels he is paying twice the normal rate. He was reminded that there is an \$8.00 base fee included in the electric and must be deducted first. No action was taken.

The finance officer discussed delinquent bills. Mr. Coester stated that any bills over seven years old should be written off. The finance officer asked if the finance committee could look over the list and make a recommendation to the council. She will update the list with dates of the final bills for these accounts email them a copy.

For workers comp purposes, the city covers the volunteer fireman and summer rec volunteers. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Gulley to approve this action. All in favor, motion carried. A complete list of volunteers for the city is available upon request at the city office.

Mayor Wiik updated the council on the 2nd Avenue Bridge that goes over the railroad track. The railroad wants the city to prove that the RR owns the bridge. The city has found nothing saying that the city owns it and would like to see the RR prove that the city owns it. It needs to be replaced.

The city received a letter from Big Stone Therapies asking for a reimbursement for engineering fees. They had attended a council meeting last summer and discussed having the city pay for the engineering fees to have the water and sewer plans. The plans needed to be done before BST would commit to building in Big Stone. Because of this, the council wanted BST to pay for the fees and if BST did build in the city, the council would reimbursement them for the fees. A motion was made by Gulley to table any decision on this matter. Motion was seconded by Hanson. All in favor, motion carried.

Being no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Henderson and seconded by Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Deb Wiik, Mayor

Donna Van Hout, Finance Officer