

CITY OF BIG STONE CITY

Big Stone City, South Dakota

January 6, 2025
5:30 p.m.

The Big Stone City council met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2025, meeting began at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Brown presiding. Before roll call was taken Mayor Brown read a letter from TJ Rabe resigning his position as City of Big Stone City Councilmember effective immediately. Roll Call: Roscoe, Stoddard, Redfield, Goergen, and Hughes. Others present: Attorney Stock, Nancy Lee, Bryan Austin, Redgey Rademacher, Amanda Lee, Kathy Rabe, Geven Rabe, Dewane Stoddard, Teresa Goergen, Kris Redfield, ShaRaye Redfield, Scott Stecker and Henry Gimmestadt.

Mayor Brown requested the time clock discussion be removed from the agenda.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the South Dakota State Pledge were recited.

Motion to accept the minutes from the December 30, 2024 year end meeting was made by Hughes and seconded by Goergen. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Motion to pay the presented claims was made by Redfield and seconded by Hughes. Upon roll call Ayes: Hughes, Stoddard, Roscoe, Redfield, and Goergen. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Big Stone Lake Area Chamber \$200.00, Brewsters Building Center \$75.06, CHS \$513.09, Cintas \$240.94, Grant County Review \$104.89, Harry's \$200.50, Health Pool of SD \$6,594.57, KDIO \$200.00, Johnson Brothers \$2,809.60, Otrex Repair \$115.01, Northwestern \$157.53, Ortonville Independent \$303.00, Pepsi \$178.23, Plunkett's \$50.85, Republic Beverage \$813.37, SD Retailers \$195.00, SDML Workers Comp. \$7,467.00, SD Dept. of Revenue \$1,834.17, Irby Co. \$16,607.74, The Valley Shopper \$115.30

Committee report: Roscoe stated two interviews took place and questioned if two full time positions should be hired now or start with one fulltime and one parttime. Discussed doing a Fulltime Interim Manager position for TJ Rabe and Larry Benkowski Parttime bartender.

Stoddard made a motion to hire TJ Rabe as the Full time Interim Manager for the Municipal Liquor Store at \$18.50 hour Redfield seconded. Upon roll call the Ayes: Roscoe, Hughes, Goergen, Stoddard and Redfield. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Stoddard made a motion to hire Larry Benkowski as part time bartender for the Municipal Liquor Store at \$14.50 hour with Hughes seconded. Upon roll call Ayes: Redfield, Stoddard, Goergen, Roscoe and Hughes. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Sheriff report for December: Hours worked 97. Activity report: Responded to Scam calls, suspicious activity, driving complaint and minor vehicle accident.

Public Comments: Questions arose regarding ordering flowers for past councilmembers and or retired employees.

With no comments on the Public Hearing. Hughes made a motion to approve the Big Stone City Fire Departments Temporary Alcoholic License for February 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 2025. Redfield seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Caried.

Stoddard made a motion to approve the Big Stone City Fire Departments Temporary Alcoholic License for July 4th, 5th and 6th, 2025. Roscoe seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Bryan Austin discussed the Remote Transmitter Controller/Load Management Hughes made a motion to table until a later date with Stoddard seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Stoddard made a motion to have the lock at the tree dump changed with Roscoe seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Hughes made a motion to appoint Grant County Review as the official publication for City of Big Stone City with Goergen seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Stoddard made a motion to discontinue selling pet licenses effective December 31, 2025 with Redfield seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the cell phone usage for the finance officers position Hughes made a motion to use the old number of Bob Athey's with Redfield seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Stoddard made a motion to accept TJ Rabe's resignation letter with Redfield seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Redfield made a motion to accept Amanda Lee's resignation letter effective January 20, 2025 with Hughes seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Being no further business Stoddard called to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. Goergen seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Steve Brown, Mayor

Nancy Lee, Finance Officer