

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 8, 2022**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on August 8, 2022 in the City Hall meeting room with Finance Officer Emily Bauer and the following council members present: Linda Bartholomew, Sheilah Fischer, Dave Hadrick, Chris Geiger, Mark Toennies and Steve Wanner. Others present: Bob Babcock, Corey Helms, Jerod Raethz and Dave Speck. Mayor Slade Roseland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all those present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Forum: Dave Speck asked the council a few questions regarding budget funding for the economic development corporation and questions regarding the community center.

2022.8.84 Approve Proposed Agenda: Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Toennies to approve the proposed agenda. Unanimous.

2022.8.85 Minutes: Councilwoman Fischer made the motion, seconded by Hadrick to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

2022.8.86 Financial Report: Motion by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Geiger to approve the finance report. Unanimous.

2022.8.87 Claims: The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Geiger. Unanimous. **Payroll Total: \$28,305.49** Mayor: \$650.00, Finance Officer: \$3690.00, Street Department: \$5,450.13, Water & Sewer Department: \$4,585.25, Rubble Site: \$1,104.00, Carousel: \$609.00, Summer Maintenance: \$1,308.84, Pool: \$10,908.27

AGTEGRA COOPERATIVE	\$268.80	CHEMICAL
BAUER'S SUPER VALU	\$16.13	SUPPLIES
CHS INC	\$566.40	SHOP PROPANE & TANK LEASE
CITY OF FAULKTON	\$1,870.28	AMBULANCE WATER/SEWER
CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRI	\$495.00	INVOICE 919529-00
EILERS	\$1,106.00	SPRINKLER REPAIRS
ERNST, SANDRA	\$64.00	METER REFUND-605 12TH AVE S
FAULK CO HIGHWAY DEPT	\$759.23	GAS
FAULK COUNTY RECORD	\$73.44	MINUTES
HANSONS INC.	\$3,903.07	DIG PIT AT RUBBLE SIT
HEALTH POOL OF SD	\$5,181.04	GROUP HEALTH INS. PREMIUM
HOMAN HARDWARE	\$263.78	SUPPLIES
JENSEN ROCK & SAND, INC	\$1,350.00	CRACK FILL PALLET
JONES, SHARON	\$190.11	METER REFUND - AIRPORT HANGER
LAWRENCE & SCHILLER, INC	\$2,850.00	2022 MAGAZINE COOP
LEPKE, SCOTT	\$100.00	METER REFUND-403 9TH AVE S
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	\$2,833.40	ELECTRIC
POSTMASTER	\$192.00	POSTAGE
QUILL CORP	\$493.84	SUPPLIES
QUILL CORP	\$0.00	SUPPLIES

RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC.	\$79.98	
RURAL DEVELOPMENT	\$4,256.00	WATER PRJ DEBT PYMNT
RURAL DEVELOPMENT - SEWER	\$8,944.00	SEWER PROJECT DEBT PAYMENT
SD DEPT. OF HEALTH (LAB)	\$15.00	LAB FEES
SD RETIREMENT	\$1,645.01	SD RETIREMENT
SD SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSC	\$60.00	ANNUAL DUES
SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLA	\$250.00	ROTH CONTRIBUTION
SOUTH DAKOTA 811	\$32.55	FEES
TENNANT ELECTRIC	\$2,595.63	CITY HALL ELECTRIC
TITAN MACHINERY	\$415.73	MOWER BLADE - INVOICE 17248533 GP
UATTEND	\$47.00	TIMECLOCK SOFTWARE
WEB WATER	\$12,074.02	WEB WATER

City Maintenance Report: Jerod stated they are currently spraying for mosquitos 2-3 times per week. They are exercising valves and flushing hydrants this week and continue to spray for weeds. The road crew for chipping is planning on mid September to be in town. Raethz asked the council their thoughts on updating some landscape around the carousel in the next few years. They would like to rip out the existing fence and pour some concrete around the building this coming year. The council was fine good with this plan.

OLD BUSINESS

2022.8.88 Airport Land Acquisition Assistance: Bob Babcock & Corey Helms with Helms & Associates were in attendance to inform the council of the next steps in the process of purchasing land and easements for the airport runway project. Discussion was had and Councilman Hadrick moved, seconded by Toennies to move forward with purchasing land and easements. Unanimous.

2022.8.89 Water & Sewer Rates: Web Water will be raising their rates again for the city starting October 2022. Discussion was had on new rates. Councilman Geiger moved, seconded by Hadrick to approve the new rates as follows. New water rates will be base of \$30.00/month and usage will be \$7.50/1,000 galloons and the sewer rate will be \$38.00/month. The new base water/sewer bill will be \$68.00/month without any usage. Bauer will have a resolution put together for our next meeting.

Discussion was also had on charging a minimum monthly access fee. Currently when homeowners turn off their services at the curb stop they aren't charged a monthly bill, only a turn on fee. The city has water and sewer loans that are paid monthly. With these homeowners able to stop their services the remainder of the city residents must make up the lost revenue to ensure the loans are repaid and have money for repairs & maintenance. The council discussed charging 1/2 the monthly base bill, \$34.00/month for an access fee. This would ensure our loans are repaid and put a small amount back into our water and sewer funds. The council agreed but would like to have more discussion on this topic, before this ordinance is written.

Garbage Billing: Councilman Toennies would like to have Gary Reuer come to a council meeting to discuss garbage billing. Bauer stated she would reach out to him.

NEW BUSINESS

2022.8.90 Temporary Liquor License: Motion by Councilwoman Toennies seconded by Geiger to approve the following temporary liquor license. Unanimous.

- Short Stop Bar – October 1, 2022 – Legion Hall – Wedding

2022.8.91 2023 Budget Ordinance (First Reading): Roseland read for its First Reading Ordinance #63 entitled, "The Annual Appropriations for the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 2023." Councilman Toennies moved, seconded by Bartholomew to have the second reading at the September meeting with adding money into the carousel for landscape improvements. Unanimous.

Property Maintenance: The council discussed some property maintenance issues around town. They advised Bauer to send out letters to residences with violations.

OTHER BUSINESS

2022.8.92 Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Geiger. Time: 8:00 p.m.

Slade Roseland, Mayor

Emily Bauer, Finance Officer