**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 5, 2022**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on October 5, 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 and Steve Wanner. Absent: Mark Toennies. Others present: Jerod Raethz. Mayor Slade Roseland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all those present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Forum: Nobody spoke.

2022.10.107 Minutes: Councilwoman Fischer made the motion, seconded by Bartholomew to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

**2022.10.108 Financial Report:** Motion by Councilman Hadrick, seconded by Geiger to approve the finance report. Unanimous.

**2022.10.109 Claims:** The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Hadrick. Unanimous. **Payroll Total: $19,972.71** Mayor: $600.00, Finance Officer: $3690.00, Street Department: $5,480.30, Water & Sewer Department: $5,746.41, Rubble Site: $1,260.00, Carousel: $246.00, Council: $2,950.00

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| BERMAC INC. | $98.20 | WINDSHEILD REPAIR |
| BRAD MANNING DIGGING | $250.00 | AIRPORT SEPTIC |
| Butler Machinery Co. | $1,540.82 | SWEEPER BRUSHES |
| CHS INC | $340.22 | COMMUNITY CENTER PROPANE |
| CITY OF FAULKTON | $1,367.84 | CITY HALL WATER/SEWER |
| ELAN - CARDMEMBER SERVICES | $103.84 | ZOOM, MICROSOFT, POSTAGE |
| Faulk Co Highway Dept | $481.34 | GAS/diesel |
| FAULK COUNTY RECORD | $269.63 | MINUTES |
| FAULKTON BASEBALL PROGRAM | $4,000.00 | FAULKTON AREA FOUNDATION GRANT REIMBURSEMENT |
| HEALTH POOL OF SD | $5,181.04 | GROUP HEALTH INS. PREMIUM |
| HELMS & ASSOCIATES | $2,088.25 | AIRPORT LAND ACQUISITION |
| HOMAN HARDWARE | $96.22 | SUPPLIES |
| INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE | $3,931.00 | 941 Taxes |
| JENSEN ROCK & SAND, INC | $118,044.65 | 2022 CHIP SEALING |
| KING INSURANCE | $908.00 | GA TERMINAL INSURANCE |
| NORTH WESTERN ENERGY | $4,529.48 | electric |
| POSTMASTER | $132.00 | postage |
| PREMIER EQUIPMENT LLC | $1,109.96 | SWEEPER BRISTLES/BRUSH |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT | $4,256.00 | water prj debt pymnt |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT - SEWER | $8,944.00 | SEWER PROJECT DEBT PAYMENT |
| SD Dept of Rev Special Tax Div | $150.00 | MALT BEVERAGE - FAULKTON INN |
| SD Dept of Revenue | $461.99 | POOL SALES TAX |
| SD DEPT. OF HEALTH (LAB) | $15.00 | LAB FEES |
| SD Public Assurance Alliance | $20,348.54 | INSURANCE |
| SD RETIREMENT | $1,740.61 | SD Retirement |
| SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLA | $250.00 | ROTH CONTRIBUTION |
| SD Unemployment Ins. Division | $71.36 | 3RD QUARTER UNEMPLOYMENT TAX |
| SHERYL ERICKSON | $1,500.00 | community center APPRAISAL |
| TAYLOR, DOYLE | $100.00 | METER REFUND-105 12TH AVE N |
| TENNANT ELECTRIC | $1,103.04 | INDUSTRIAL PARK LIFT STATION |
| US BANK | $11,771.46 | WATER PRJ PHASE II PAYMENT |
| VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO. | $8,569.00 | MOSQUITO SPRAY |
| WEB WATER | $11,743.39 | WEB WATER |

**City Maintenance Report:** Raethz stated spraying is done for the year. They started to winterize some things, since temps will be cooler towards the end of the week, Hopes Park has been winterized. The will put heaters in the other bathrooms until after Pheasant opener weekend. The tree pile was burned today.

**Mayor Report:** Mayor Roseland stated the FCC will be having a meeting at city hall on Friday, October 21st at 9am to discuss the Affordable Connectivity Program. This program helps reduce internet costs to qualifying participants. The public is welcome if you are interested.

**OLD BUSINESS**

2022.10.110 Airport Land Acquisition Pay Request: Councilwoman Bartholomew moved, seconded by Geiger to pay requests from Helms and Associates for $2,088.25 for airport land acquisition. Unanimous.

Water/Sewer Access Fee: Discussion was had again on charging a minimum monthly water/sewer 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 had Bauer look at what other towns were doing and almost all were charging a minimum monthly charge, if the home or business had their water shut off. The council thought the fee should be, $34.00, which is half of the base bill. This fee will go towards the current water and sewer loans that the city services. The council instructed Bauer to contact Vaughn Beck about drafting an ordinance.

Rubble Site Structure Disposal Fee: Council decided to leave the disposal fee of $1.00 per sqft.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2022.10.111 Utility Bill ACH Fee:** Bauer asked the council if they would consider offering automatic payments for utility customers. The cost from Banyon is $995 one-time fee and then $195/year for support. Dacotah Bank has minimal fees that will apply monthly as well. Bauer stated she has had a lot of interest in this convenience. This option will not cost the customer a fee to use it. Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Geiger to approve this request. Unanimous.

**2022.10.112 City Lot Surplus:** Tom Waldner asked the council if they would be willing to sell a small amount of property east of his lot located at W 100’ of the N 151.23’ of Lot 3, first replat of the Carousel City Addition, City of Faulkton. Motion was made by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Hadrick to surplus the property in question. Mayor Roseland appointed Dave Hadrick, Sheilah Fischer and Steve Wanner as the appraisal board. Unanimous.

2022.10.113 Malt Beverage License Application: An application for a malt beverage was received from Eppic Estates LLC dba Faulkton Inn. Councilman Wanner moved, seconded by Fischer to approve the application. Unanimous.

2022.10.114 Liquor License Application: An application for a on sale liquor license was received from Carrie Deiter dba The Shops SD. Councilwoman Fischer moved, seconded by Bartholomew to approve the application. Unanimous.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**2022.10.115 Executive Session:** Time: 7:24 p.m. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Hadrick to go into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2(5). Out of executive session at 7:39 p.m. No action taken. The council discussed the community center appraisal and options moving forward.

**2022.10.116 Adjournment.** There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Wanner. Time: 7:40 p.m.

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Slade Roseland, Mayor Emily Bauer, Finance Officer