

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 13, 2023**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on March 13, 2023 in the City Hall meeting room with Finance Officer Emily Bauer and the following council members present: Linda Bartholomew, Sheilah Fischer, Chris Geiger, Dave Hadrick, and Steve Wanner. Other present: Ryan Kast, Alan Kathner, Jerod Raethz and April Sorensen. 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.

**2023.3.21 Approve the Agenda:** Councilwoman Fischer moved, seconded by Wanner to approve the proposed agenda. Unanimous.

**2023.3.22 Minutes:** Councilwoman Bartholomew made the motion, seconded by Hadrick to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting. Unanimous.

**2023.3.23 Financial Report:** Motion by Councilman Geiger, seconded by Fischer to approve the finance report. Unanimous.

**2023.3.24 Claims:** The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Geiger. Unanimous. **Payroll Total: \$16,613.69** Mayor: \$600.00, Finance Officer: \$3,874.50, Street Department: \$6,242.53, Water & Sewer Department: \$5,811.46, Office Help: \$85.20

BAUER'S SUPER VALU	\$6.89	SUPPLIES
BERMAC INC.	\$1,222.01	DIESEL
BUTLER MACHINERY CO.	\$1,122.86	GRADER WINDOW
CHS INC	\$487.35	SHOP PROPANE
CITY OF FAULKTON	\$497.32	WATER/SEWER
CNA SURETY DIRECT BILL	\$525.00	FO SURETY BOND
ELAN - CARDMEMBER SERVICES	\$753.26	ZOOM, MICROSOFT, ADOBE, ED CONFERENCE, TRUCK MATS
FAULK CO HIGHWAY DEPT	\$248.87	DIESEL/GAS
FAULK COUNTY RECORD	\$90.81	MINUTES
HEALTH POOL OF SD	\$5,401.28	GROUP HEALTH INS. PREMIUM
HOLDREN, PAT	\$100.00	METER REFUND-312 9TH AVE N
HOMAN HARDWARE	\$243.79	SUPPLIES
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	\$3,479.12	941 TAXES
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	\$4,238.94	ELECTRIC
POSTMASTER	\$144.00	POSTAGE
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 PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE	\$358.61	INSURANCE
SD RETIREMENT	\$1,865.48	SD RETIREMENT
SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLA	\$250.00	ROTH CONTRIBUTION
TOENNIES, KELLY	\$100.00	METER REFUND-120 8TH AVE S
UATTEND	\$53.00	TIMECLOCK SOFTWARE

**City Maintenance Report:** Raethz stated they have been busy moving snow. When roads start to get too soft, they will be done widening the streets out. They are still looking for a small water leak. Raethz also asked if residents could remove their permanent garbage bin receptacles that are placed on the edge of the road. Mobile ones that are brought out every week aren't an issue, but permanent receptacles have caused issues with snow removal. The council instructed Bauer to put a notice in the paper and contact residents. Raethz also stated he is getting concrete work lined up for the carousel this spring.

### OLD BUSINESS

**2023.3.25 Bid Opening:** Mayor Roseland opened the bids received for the paver laid asphalt and chip sealing. Jensen Rock & Sand, \$165/ton for asphalt & \$2.54/sq yd for chip sealing; Bituminous Paving, \$198/ton for asphalt & \$3.75/sq yd for chip sealing; Lien Transportation, \$175/ton for asphalt & \$3.30/sq yd for chip sealing. Motion was made by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Geiger to accept the bid from Jensen Rock & Sand. Unanimous. No bids were received for the surplus pickup or sweeper. No bids were received for a general contractor for the new pool building, but some interest was expressed. The council instructed Bauer to readvertise the general contractor bid opening for our April Meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

**2023.3.26 Aldermanic Appointment:** Motion by Hadrick, seconded by Bartholomew to appoint Ryan Kast to serve as Ward II Alderman until the next annual municipal election. All member voted aye.

**Oath of Office:** Mayor Roseland swore in new council member Ryan Kast.

**2023.3.27 Zoning – Special Use Permit:** April Sorensen was in attendance to discuss the proposed location of the new after school program building. The current property location is zoned single family residential, which wouldn't allow the after school program building unless the following condition is met: The city council may grant a special use permit provided the written consent of more than fifty (50) percent of the property owners within (300) feet of any property line of the premises is obtained. Sorensen stated she was able to obtain 6 signatures of surrounding property owners. The property will remain zoned single family residential with a special use permit for this business. Motion was made by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Bartholomew to allow the Faulkton After School Program a special use permit at 109 13<sup>th</sup> Ave N. Unanimous.

**Swimming Pool:** The council and Sorensen discussed the upcoming pool season and lifeguard wages. Sorensen suggested new lifeguards start at \$12.50/hr, \$0.25 for each year of service & \$0.50 for WSI certificate. Sorensen also asked if the city could get a point of sale to use at the pool for debit/credit cards.

**Cemetery Mowing:** Alan Kathner with the cemetery board was in attendance to discuss the mowing at the cemetery. Kathner stated the cemetery board has advertised for seasonal mowing and haven't received any interest. Kathner inquired about the summer city maintenance position helping with the mowing. Councilman Wanner stated currently the city doesn't have a mower that would fit at the cemetery. Kathner said the cemetery board wasn't against supplying the mower and the cemetery would pay for the mowing. After some discussion the council will advertise for summer maintenance help and discuss after they receive applications. Roseland suggested Bauer ask what other cities do for cemetery help. Kathner stated he will continue to look for mowing help, he also thanked the city guys for all their help.

**2023.3.28 Health Insurance Stipend:** Bauer stated the current city policy manual doesn't state if a full time employee has health insurance elsewhere if the city will pay a stipend to the employee. Bauer stated some other cities offer a stipend, at a discounted rate of the premium. This saves the city money not paying the full premium and also with employee loss ratios. Bauer suggested paying 75% of the single premium. Councilman Wanner motioned to pay 75% of the single premium, died with lack of a second. Councilman Kast suggested a flat fee, so the city know how much they will be paying for budget purposes. After some discussion, Councilman Kast made the motion to pay a \$600 health insurance stipend to full time employees that do not take the city's health insurance policy, second by Geiger. All approved, motion passed.

**2023.3.29 CD Renewals:** Motion was made by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Wanner to renew CD 5229285 & 5229175 for 12 months at a rate of 1.25% at Dacotah Bank. Unanimous.

**Advertise for Summer Help:** The council instructed Bauer to advertise for lifeguards and summer maintenance help.

<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b>
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**2023.3.30 Adjournment.** There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Geiger. Time: 7:44 p.m.

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Slade Roseland, Mayor

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer