**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 14, 2023**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on August 14, 2023 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, Ryan Kast and Steve Wanner. Others present: Kasey Kopecky. 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

2023.8.89 Approve Proposed Agenda: Councilman Kast, seconded by Geiger to approve the proposed agenda with the addition of the street closing. Unanimous.

2023.8.90 Minutes: Councilwoman Fischer made the motion, seconded by Wanner to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2023 & July 21, 2023 meeting. Unanimous.

**2023.8.91 Financial Report:** Motion by Councilman Geiger, seconded Bartholomew to approve the finance report. Unanimous.

**2023.8.92 Claims:** The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Geiger. Unanimous. **Payroll Total: $34,086.72** Mayor: $750.00, Finance Officer: $3874.50, Street Department: $12,940.11, Water & Sewer Department: $3,274.15, Rubble Site: $1,112.50, Carousel: $678.13, Summer Maintenance: $389.81, Office Help: $127.56, Pool: $10,939.96

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| AGTEGRA COOPERATIVE | $277.50 | CHEMICAL |
| ASSURANCE LAND SURVEYING | $939.00 | CAROUSEL CITY 2ND ADDITION |
| BECK LAW OFFICE | $305.00 | ATTORNEY FEES |
| BERMAC INC. | $117.62 | SUPPLIES |
| CHS INC | $75.00 | TANK LEASE |
| CITY OF FAULKTON | $1,588.57 | WATER/SEWER |
| Dakota Pump & Control | $861.23 | PUMP REPAIRS |
| DANR - FISCAL OFFICE | $390.00 | PERMITs |
| DAVIS, MELISSA | $100.00 | METER REFUND-204 11TH AVE N |
| Faulk Co Highway Dept | $652.39 | GAS/diesel |
| FAULK COUNTY RECORD | $25.61 | MINUTES |
| Faulkton Grain & Feed | $225.00 | SEED |
| HALL, KENT | $94.50 | REIMBURSEMENT FOR BELT |
| HEALTH POOL OF SD | $5,388.28 | GROUP HEALTH INS. PREMIUM |
| HELMS & ASSOCIATES | $165.00 | LAND ACQUISITION |
| HOMAN HARDWARE | $492.03 | SUPPLIES |
| INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE | $6,892.82 | 941 Taxes |
| JENSEN ROCK & SAND, INC | $1,534.75 | COLD MIX |
| KC LUMBER | $41.50 | SUPPLIES |
| NELSON SALES & SERVICE | $291.68 | MOWER BLADES |
| NORTH WESTERN ENERGY | $4,319.64 | electric |
| NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS | $2,535.99 | SUPPLIES |
| QUILL CORP | $548.13 | SUPPLIES |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT | $4,256.00 | water prj debt pymnt |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT - SEWER | $8,944.00 | SEWER PROJECT DEBT PAYMENT |
| SD Public Assurance Alliance | $21,751.65 | INSURANCE |
| SD RETIREMENT | $2,396.74 | SD Retirement |
| SD Solid Waste Management Assc | $60.00 | ANNUAL DUES |
| SD SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLA | $250.00 | ROTH CONTRIBUTION |
| SONNYS AUTO PARTS & REPAIR | $26.68 | SUPPLIES |
| TENNANT ELECTRIC | $1,276.03 | CAMPER OUTLETS |
| USA BLUE BOOK | $133.50 | SUPPLIES |
| WEB WATER | $14,282.31 | WEB WATER |
| WORKWELL TECHNOLOGY | $53.00 | TIMECLOCK SOFTWARE |

**City Maintenance Report:** Kopecky stated the pool will be closing this weekend. The guys will winterize it and then start demolition for the new pool building. Kopecky asked if he could look into a monitoring system for the water system at the pump house, the council agreed. The school took over maintenance at the ballpark for football season. Kopecky stated the ball program is looking into grants for more shade and bleachers at the ballpark.

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Roseland stated the community center committee met last week to start discussion about a new community center. They will be touring a few different cities with community centers; Britton, Milbank and DeSmet.

**OLD BUSINESS**

2023.8.93 Airport Land Acquisition Assistance Pay Request: Mayor Roseland presented a pay request from Helms & Associates for $165.00. Councilman Wanner moved, seconded by Geiger to approve the pay request. Unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Web Water Increase:** Web Water will be increasing their rates beginning October 2023. Their base bill for the city will increase $268/month and their usage will increase $0.33/1,000 gallons. After some discussion the council approved a rate increase to cover the amount Web Water went up. This will increase the base water bill from $30.00 to $30.60 and the usage from $7.50/1,000 gallons to $7.83/1,000 gallons. Bauer will prepare a resolution for the September meeting.

**2023.8.93 Resolution 2023-2:** Motion by Councilwoman Fischer, seconded by Bartholomew to approve and adopt the following resolution. Unanimous.

**RESOLUTION #2023-2**

**VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEY**

**WHEREAS,** a petition has been presented by Slade Roseland, Mayor for the City of Faulkton, and Charles & Sharon Huss to the City Council of the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota requesting vacation of a portion of an alley.

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was duly advertised and held on the 14th day of Augst 2023, at 7:00 p.m., as required by law, and;

**WHEREAS**, from the evidence and testimony presented at the time of hearing it appears to the City Council, of the City of Faulkton, that said alley has not been used, worked, or traveled as an alley at any time during the period of twenty years next preceding the time for the meeting, and since the recording of the plat thereof, EXCEPT by the Utility Companies, and that there is little likelihood that said alley will ever be used, worked, traveled, as an alley, EXCEPT by the utilities, and that it is for the best interests of the City of Faulkton and all person concerned that said petition be granted,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the public utilities and emergency vehicles, to have access to said vacated alley, this vacation is subject to the property owners giving the public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement of ingress and egress in order to maintain, construct, dig, and travel for purposes of maintaining public utility lines and emergencies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following described vacation be approved by the City Council of the City of Faulkton, South Dakota.

The Alley of an approximate width of twenty feet (20’) and approximate length running north and south, along lots 3,4,5,6 and 7 of Block Three (3) of the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota. Said parcel contains 3402 square feet, more or less.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that property owners along said vacated alley gives to all public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement as above set forth,

**ALSO,** that a certified copy of this resolution be filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Faulk County, South Dakota.

Adopted by the Faulkton City Council this 14th day of August 2023.

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 Slade Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

ATTEST:

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer

**2023.8.94 Resolution 2023-3:** Councilman Hadrick moved, seconded by Geiger to approve and adopt the following resolution. Unanimous.

**RESOLUTION #2023-3**

**VACATING A PORTION OF A STREET**

**WHEREAS,** a petition has been presented by Charles & Sharon Huss to the City Council of the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota requesting vacation of a portion of a street.

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was duly advertised and held on the 14th day of Augst 2023, at 7:00 p.m., as required by law, and;

**WHEREAS**, from the evidence and testimony presented at the time of hearing it appears to the City Council, of the City of Faulkton, that said street has not been used, worked, or traveled as an street at any time during the period of twenty years next preceding the time for the meeting, and since the recording of the plat thereof, EXCEPT by the Utility Companies, and that there is little likelihood that said street will ever be used, worked, traveled, as a street, EXCEPT by the utilities, and that it is for the best interests of the City of Faulkton and all person concerned that said petition be granted,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the public utilities and emergency vehicles, to have access to said vacated street, this vacation is subject to the property owners giving the public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement of ingress and egress in order to maintain, construct, dig, and travel for purposes of maintaining public utility lines and emergencies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following described vacation be approved by the City Council of the City of Faulkton, South Dakota.

A portion of River street lying north and adjacent to Lot 1, Block Three (3) and Southwest and adjacent to Lot 1, of Tract 1 of Railroad addition to the NE ¼ of Section 14-118-69, said parcel contains 2160 square feet, more or less

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that property owners along said vacated street gives to all public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement as above set forth,

**ALSO,** that a certified copy of this resolution be filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Faulk County, South Dakota.

Adopted by the Faulkton City Council this 14th day of August 2023.

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 Slade Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

ATTEST:

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer

**2023.8.95 Resolution 2023-4:** Councilman Wanner moved, seconded by Kast to approve and adopt the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION #2023-4**

**VACATING A PORTION OF A STREET**

**WHEREAS,** a petition has been presented by Charles & Sharon Huss, Carl & Sally Strecherz and Glenn & Sheilah Fischer to the City Council of the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota requesting vacation of a portion of a street.

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was duly advertised and held on the 14th day of Augst 2023, at 7:00 p.m., as required by law, and;

**WHEREAS**, from the evidence and testimony presented at the time of hearing it appears to the City Council, of the City of Faulkton, that said street has not been used, worked, or traveled as an street at any time during the period of twenty years next preceding the time for the meeting, and since the recording of the plat thereof, EXCEPT by the Utility Companies, and that there is little likelihood that said street will ever be used, worked, traveled, as a street, EXCEPT by the utilities, and that it is for the best interests of the City of Faulkton and all person concerned that said petition be granted,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the public utilities and emergency vehicles, to have access to said vacated street, this vacation is subject to the property owners giving the public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement of ingress and egress in order to maintain, construct, dig, and travel for purposes of maintaining public utility lines and emergencies.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following described vacation be approved by the City Council of the City of Faulkton, South Dakota.

A portion of 8th Avenue N lying East and adjacent to Lot 7 of Outlot M, and West and adjacent to Lot 1 of Tract 1 of Railroad Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 14-118-69, and South and adjacent to Lot 7 of Tract 1 of Railroad Addition in the NE ¼ of Section 15-118-69, said parcel contains 6503 square feet, more or less

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that property owners along said vacated street gives to all public utility companies and emergency vehicles a permanent easement as above set forth,

**ALSO,** that a certified copy of this resolution be filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Faulk County, South Dakota.

Adopted by the Faulkton City Council this 14th day of August 2023.

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 Slade Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

ATTEST:

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Emily Bauer, Finance Officer

**2023.8.96 2024 Budget Ordinance (First Reading):** Roseland read for its First Reading Ordinance #2023-1 entitled, “The Annual Appropriations for the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 2024.” Councilwoman Bartholomew moved, seconded by Wanner to have the second reading at the September. Unanimous.

**2023.8.97 Replat Faulkton Airport – Warren First Addition:** Councilman Gieger motioned, seconded by Fischer to approve the replat. Unanimous.

**2023.8.98 Replat Faulkton Airport Outlot A – Faulk County Saddle Club Outlot 1:** Councilman Wanner motioned, seconded by Kast to approve the replat. Unanimous.

**2023.8.99 Brown Bag Permit:** Motion by Councilwoman Geiger seconded by Fischer to approve the following brown bag permit. Unanimous.

* Sami Carlson – September 23, 2023 – Legion Hall – Wedding

**2023.8.100 Street Closing:** Motion by Councilman Kast, seconded by Wanner to approve the following street closing. Unanimous.

* J&J Bar – Bean Bag Tournament – Saturday, September 9, 2023 – 8th Ave from Hwy 212 to Court St (5pm-2am)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**2023.8.101 Executive Session:** Time: 7:19 p.m. Motion was made by Councilman Hadrick, seconded by Geiger to go into executive session for litigation and/or personnel matters per SDCL 1-25-2. Out of executive session at 7:21p.m.

**2023.8.102 Appoint City Attorney:** Councilwoman Fischer moved, seconded by Bartholomew to appoint Kristen Kochekian with Gillette Law Office as the new city attorney. Unanimous.

**2023.8.103 Adjournment.** There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Geiger. Time: 7:22 p.m.

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Slade Roseland, Mayor Emily Bauer, Finance Officer