

City of Columbia Council Meeting – December 3, 2024

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Cara Dennert, Corey Mitchell, Emily Eichler, Jeremy Dosch, Scott Meints, Trevor Meints

Community:

Corey Mitchell called the meeting to order. He called for a motion to approve the agenda. Cara mentioned the addition of a bill from Code Enforcement Specialists for 633.30. Trevor Meints made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Emily Eichler seconded the motion. All in favor – motion carried. Corey Mitchell called for any conflict of interest on agenda items. There were no conflicts. Minutes were handed out from the Nov. 5th meeting. Emily Eichler made a motion to approve the minutes. Scott Meints seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried.

Warrant Vouchers: Northwestern Energy – electricity – 1130.68; Web – fire prevention – 53.61; JVT – fire prevention – 212.99; Double D Lot Services – mowing– 2635.00; Jeremy Dosch– Nov. wages -419.99 –; Cara Dennert – Nov. wages– 1235.25; GDI – publications –35.60; Brown County Sherriff – nuisance –69.00; SDML – 2025 Membership Dues – 207.00; Double D Lot Services – November mowing – 1145.00; Dacotah Bank – shop supplies -532.84 ; Code Enforcement Specialists – nuisance reports -633.30

Scott Meints made a motion to approve the vouchers. Trevor Meints seconded the motion. All were in favor - motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS /CORRESPONDENCE: letters from DANR regarding approval of wastewater project and lab results from park water analysis

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Wastewater and drainage plans for State Water plan – state funding amounts will be announced in March.

Nuisances – Various complaints were discussed about dog noise in town. Residents will be advised to contact the sheriff's office. Code Enforcement Specialists have been in contact with some residents regarding violations. Those residents have until December 20th to comply with our ordinances.

Streets – looking good

Parks – The council talked about the possibility of turning off the lights in the baseball park after the holidays. There was much discussion on park expenses for 2024 and for the concerns for financially maintaining the park in the future.

Lagoon/Sewer - no report

Rubble Site –The gates for the rubble site will be closed as soon as the site has been piled up.

NEW BUSINESS – Baseball contract was discussed. Current contract expires the end of 2024. Corey is going to purchase a new computer for use at city hall.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Cara presented bank balances. Trevor Meints made a motion to accept the financial reports as given. Scott Meints seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried.

November 30, 2024, balances: SF - \$ 72,688.21; SF Money Market –\$ 151,793.90; GF - \$ 143,932.74; GF Money Market - \$ 50,932.90; CD Money Market - \$ 32,502.94. FIT - \$ 15,509.24; Cash on hand - \$0

Next Regular City Council Meeting – January 8, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Cara Dennert, Finance Officer

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