

Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Home Rule Municipality of Springfield, South Dakota

Monday, March 3, 2025

Springfield Community Services Center

THIS MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

Meeting Opening

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Time now is:
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call by the Municipal Finance Officer
 - A. Quorum: Yes/ No
 - B. Airport CIP update –DGR Engineering
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. Motion to ***Approve the Agenda as written/ with changes***



V. Monthly Consent Items

A. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

1. Motion to ***Approve/ Disapprove/ Amend the Minutes of February 3, 2025, Regular Meeting.***

B. Claims

1. Motion to ***Approve/ Disapprove/ Amend the Claims of the month of February 2025.***

C. Finance Officer's Report

1. Motion to ***Approve/ Disapprove/ Amend the Finance Officers Report of the month of February 2025.***

D. Donations

1. \$100.00 to the Ambulance from Private Citizen
2. \$300.00 to the Ambulance from Private Citizen
3. Motion to ***Accept/ Deny the Donations.***

VI. Public Comment

Public comment is a time for persons to address the Common Council on items not listed on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter has been specifically included on a future agenda. Each person has up to three minutes to speak. There shall be no personal attacks directed at any member of the Common Council, City Employees, or other individuals.

Meetings are conducted in accordance with South Dakota Codified Law 1-25:
Meetings of Public Agencies

VII. Official Correspondence

A. DOE Letter to the Local Board of Equalization

Official Correspondence are letters, emails, or other forms of communications between government officials, government entities, business entities, or formally chartered groups or any combination thereof. This correspondence is business in nature and does not include personal correspondence addressed to any of the defined groups.

VIII. City Reports

H. Finance Officer

1. Equalization books
2. Annual Report
3. Election –April 8th
4. Project Boundary Fence
5. Hazard Mitigation grant
6. Homeland Security grant
7. FO/ HR scholarship
8. Notary complete

I. Mayor

1. SDML/Legislative Update

IX. Capital Improvement Projects

A. Water Treatment Plant

1. WTP Feimer Pay App #24- \$65,464.10

Motion to ***ACCEPT/ TABLE/ DENY WTP FEIMER PAY APP#24 FOR \$65,454.10***

2. Wigen Water Works

- Starting performance testing this week

3. Central Divers

- Inspected intakes – all look good, no zebra mussels thanks to copper covering

4. Team from manufacturer here this week to work on heat system

- Extended warranty by one year due to issues

5. Looking at office furniture

IX. Capital Improvement Projects

A. Airport

1. Duininck Pay App #2- \$12,552.32
2. Project Update

X. Old Business

A. Abandoned Property

1. No changes.

XI. New Business

A. Appoint Election Board

1. Motion to ***APPROVE/ TABLE/ DENY ELECTION BOARD AS RECOMMENDED.***

B. Authorize FO/ HR Training June 10-13, 2025 in Pierre

1. Motion to ***APPROVE/ TABLE/ DENY FO/ HR TRAINING JUNE 10-23, 2025 IN PIERRE.***

C. Authorize Airport Liability Insurance

1. Motion to ***APPROVE/ TABLE/ DENY AIRPORT LIABILITY INSURANCE.***

XII. Other Business

A. Resolution 2025-02 –Project Prison Reset

B. Men’s Prison Primer and Update

1. SD Corrections Commission meeting in Aug 2012 identified for a new men’s prison in the next 10 years.
 - a. MDSP population was 1,236
 - b. From 1980 to 2012, men’s population grew 500% (600 to 3,600)
2. IN FY24, MDSP average daily capacity was 113% (1,088). System wide was overcapacity by 919 inmates.
3. Presented plan.
 - a. Build new men’s prison in Lincoln County for 1,584 Level IV inmates.
 - b. Decommission SD State Penitentiary for loss of 426 beds (2024 ADP was 775, 182% of capacity)
 - c. MDSP overcrowding reduced, expected to operate at 95% capacity (913 inmates)

XII. Other Business

4. New men's prison proposed in 2021. The process.
 - a. SB144 (2022): Created Incarceration Fund
 - b. Five bills in 2022/23/24 added money to the funds and authorized certain acquisition and site preparation work.
 - c. HB10125 (2025): Authorize remaining funds and approve construction
 - 1) Needed 2/3rds vote. Downgraded to funds only, needed 51%.
 - 2) Defeated in full House on split vote.
 - d. SB124(2025):Establish Incarceration Task Force defeated in Senate
 - e. Executive Order 2025-01, Created Project Prison Reset Task Force
5. What's been said.
 - a. "They are closing the wrong prison", Former Chief Warden Doug Weber arguing MDSP should be closed and rebuilt elsewhere instead of MDSP
 - b. MDSP is the states most efficient and best operated facility. SOC to JCA, January 23, 2025
6. Way Ahead.
 - a. PPRTF first meeting April 2 in Pierre
 - b. Other meetings planned but not scheduled
 - 1) Formal invite for meeting in Springfield
 - c. July 15 recommendation submission date to Governor
 - d. Governor stated he would call a Special Session on July 22 for men's prison construction recommendation action.

XIII. Executive Session

- A. Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) Personnel, (3) Legal, (4) Contracts or Litigation, or (6) Public Safety, if needed.
- B. Official action concerning the matters pursuant to this section shall be made at an open official meeting. An executive or closed meeting must be held only upon a majority vote of the members of the public body present and voting, and discussion during the closed meeting is restricted to the purpose specified in the closure motion.
- C. Nothing in SDCL 1-25-1 or this section prevents an executive or closed meeting if the federal or state Constitution or the federal or state statutes require or permit it.



XIV. Actions from Executive Session

A. Motion to *Enter into Executive Session (if needed)*

1. *Time now is: _____pm*

B. STOP RECORDING

C. Return from Executive Session

1. *Time now is: _____pm*

D. RESUME RECORDING

E. *Actions from Executive Session (if needed)*



XV. Adjournment

A. Upcoming City Schedule

1. Board of Equalization Special Meeting will be Monday, March 17, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Springfield Community Center.
2. Next Regular Meeting will be Monday, April 7, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Springfield Community Center.
3. Municipal Election will be Tuesday, April 8, 2025, from 7:00am to 7:00pm at the Springfield Community Center.
4. Motion to **Adjourn**.

Time now is: _____pm

- B. This meeting of the Common Council is concluded. Unofficial minutes will be published in the official newspaper and posted through the website.

C. STOP RECORDING

