City Council Meeting

Springfield, South Dakota

## February 3, 2025

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on February 3, 2025, at the CSC. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor Kostal. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Roll Call: Burch, Cvrk, Ludens, Mueller and Mayor Kostal were present. Also present, Finance Officer Larson, Asst. F.O. Rothschadl, Attorney Barrett (via video), Kim Schroeder, Linda Deming-Paulson, Charles Wickstrom, Howard Karge, Chris Mace, and Will Paulson.

**Monthly Items:** Agenda Approval: Add Pool Manager Hire to Other Business. Ludens moved, Burch second to approve the agenda as amended. All voted in favor, motion carried. Minutes Approval: Cvrk moved, Mueller second to approve the minutes of January 6, 2025, meeting. All voted in favor, motion carried. Claims Approval: Cvrk moved, Ludens second to approve the claims. All voted in favor, motion carried. A-OX Welding Supply, supplies, 98.67; Appeara, rugs & supplies, 120.68; Aqua-Pure Inc, chemical, 1590.25; AT&T, utilities, 216.05; B&H Publishing, publishing, 633.19; B-Y Electric, utilities, 129.00; Chase Pest Service, pest spraying, 40.00; City of Sioux Falls, water testing, 159.50; City of Springfield, postage, 44.70; CNA Surety Direct Bill, notary bond, 50.00; CNH Industrial Accounts, C461071-01 loan payment, 23917.26; Country Ford Inc, police pickup service, 79.22; Dakota Pump Inc, NW lift station service, 930.20; Niki DeFries, RSDG, 45.00; DGR Engineering, airport CIP, 7149.50 Den Herder, Hovden, & Barrett, attorney services, 520.00; Planning & Dev. District III, 2025 dues, 1493.00; Doug’s Food Center, supplies, 29.36; Dust-Tex Service, janitorial supplies, 101.82; Feimer Construction Inc, WTP PA #23R1, 13090.97; First Savings Bank, SDML dues & supplies, 300.98; Goldenwest, utilities, 875.94; Hach Company, testing supplies, 423.70; Hawkins Inc, chemicals, 4220.32; Kaul’s, supplies, 20.39, Camille Kotalik, RSDG, 120.00; Kendra Krueger, RDSG, 90.00; Leaf, copier contract, 128.79; Jessica Myers, RSDG, 480.00; Kelly Namminga, Libib subscription, 99.00; Northwestern, utilities, 6617.13; One Source One Solution, copies, 72.19; Overdrive Inc, 2025 subscription, 600.00; PCC, October billing, 865.41; Public Health Laboratory, water testing, 663.00; Quill Corporation, office supplies, 212.79; SDSOS, notary public app, 30.00;SEAFOG, 2025 dues, 100.00; SPN, WTP engineering, 2079.38, Stryker, bolster mattress, 296.14; TwoTrees Technologies, annual subscription, 2516.45; Tyndall Ace, dist supplies, 143.08; Walsh, background check, 450.00; Water & Environmental, water testing, 158.00; Williams Sanitation, utilities, 202.00. Payroll Deductions: SD Retirement System 2773.94; Principal Life Insurance 35.83; Avera Health Plans 4931.58; Supplemental Retirement 180.00; Messerli & Kramer P.A. 794.05; Colonial Life 64.25; First Savings Bank 15396.25. Payroll by Department: GENERAL- Mayor/Council 1056.28; Finance Office 4304.93; Gen Gov’t Building 202.78; Streets 5445.38; Airport 860.90; Ambulance 2087.25; Library 607.89; WATER 4412.13; SEWER 4519.49. Finance Officer’s Report: Mueller moved, Cvrk second to approve the Finance Officer’s Report. All voted in favor, motion carried. Donations: Mueller moved, Cvrk second to approve $2000.00 donation to the Ambulance from Bon Homme County and $162.00 to the Fire Department from a private citizen. All voted in favor, motion carried.

**Public Comment:**  Concern raised regarding upcoming projects in addition to meeting accessibility and water issues.

**Official Correspondence:** Mayor Kostal discussed the January blood drive results.

**Mayor and Department Report**: Utilities- Two water leaks have been identified and repaired. Streets- Maintenance as permitted by weather. Airport- Passing of hangar lessee, currently in probate. Fire- Maintenance agreement has been signed. Working on RFD agreement and cumulative inventory. Firefighter 1 course started with 18 participants. Ambulance- 8 calls in January and looking at recruitment ideas. Stop the Bleed course held with the first submittal for the Regional South Dakota Grant complete. SD Ambulance Association Conference -February 7-10, 2025, Ft Pierre. Police- Ongoing police officer search, waiting on in-car camera installation until radios have arrived. Library- Attended Yankton Library board meeting, library training and attended Avon Library board meeting on while also participating in public library and youth services webinars . Parks, Pool, & Rec-Advertising for summer positions. Other/Partner Agencies- USACE Interagency meeting scheduled for March 18, 2025. Finance Office-Notary paperwork submitted, attended a virtual career fair, vision insurance update and annual report work. Petitions are open until February 28, 2025 at 5:00pm. Mayor- Received multiple dog issues/complaints, SDML Legislative day February 4-5, 2025 and provided SD legislative update and effects of federal funding pause.

**Capital Improvement Projects**: Water Treatment Plant Update- Wigen Water Works waiting on chlorine analyzer parts and will start performance testing once analyzer is going, sensors are calibrated, and the high service pump is fixed. Central divers are on-site for training and testing intake chemical feed system. Continued work on heat system. Airport: Project on hold until March/April.

**Old Business**: Abandoned Property: No changes/updates. Sewer Rate Increase: Per 2019 Resolution, a $2.00 base rate increase is effective March 1, 2025. Award Crop & Hay Land Leases: Kostal recommended awarding Tyler Abel the Airport crop & hay land leases as well as First Industrial crop land lease. Cvrk motioned, Burch second to award Tyler Abel three lease bids -Airport crop land $175.00, Airport hay land $50.00 and First Industrial crop land $175.00. Three voted in favor, one nay, motion carried.

**New Business:**  2025 Board of Equalization Date: Cvrk motioned, Burch second to approve 2025 Board of Equalization date of March 17, 2025 at 6:30pm. All voted in favor, motion carried. Resolution 2025-01 for 11th, Ash, & Oak Utility Project: Mueller motioned, Cvrk second to approve Resolution 2025-01 authorizing 11th, Ash, & Oak utility project funding application. All voted in favor, motion carried. Authorize Lesli Lee to organize minute notes: Ludens motioned, Burch second to approve authorizing Lesli Lee to organize minute notes with hourly wage of $25 up to 250 hours over 6-month period with no benefits. All voted in favor, motion carried.

**Other Business:** Pool Manager: Ludens motioned, Burch second to hire Kim Tolsma as the 2025 pool manager and send thanks to Amy Cooper for her years of service. All voted in favor, motion carried. Ludens discussed concern regarding 4th of July Fireworks due to drought shooting fireworks in prohibited areas. Burch raised concerns of excessive speeding on west 11th Street.

**No Executive Session**

**Adjournment**: Cvrk moved, Mueller second to adjourn. All voted in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Scott L. Kostal

Mayor

Amanda Larson

Finance Officer

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City Offices and Departments will be closed Monday, February 17, 2025, for President’s. Day.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, March 3, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the CSC.

Board of Equalization meeting will be Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6:30pm at the CSC.