City Council Meeting

Springfield, South Dakota

## August 4, 2025

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on August 4, 2025, at 6:35pm at the CSC. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kostal. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Roll Call: Burch absent, Dietsch, Ludens (via phone), Mueller and Mayor Kostal were present. Also present, City Attorney Beau Barrett, Finance Officer Larson, Asst. F.O. Rothschadl, *Springfield Times Reporter* Bochman, Librarian Kelly Namminga, Garret Damico, Madison Biller, Carol Hagen (via phone), Vance Branton (via phone), Connie Miller, Deb Stockholm, Joann Tucker-Minten and Stu Cvrk.

**Monthly Items:** Agenda Approval: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve the agenda as amended. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Minutes Approval: Ludens moved, Mueller second to approve the minutes of July 7, 2025, meeting. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Claims Approval: Ludens moved, Mueller second to approve the claims. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. A-OX Welding Supply, supplies, 36.88; Agap LLC, aeration pump parts, 315.69; Albertson Engineering, clearwell inspection, 2929.20; Appeara, rugs & supplies, 124.71; Aqua-Pure, chemical, 643.50; Arrow Manufacturing, rep motor & gearbox, 433.74; AT&T, utilities, 216.04;B-Y Electric, utilities, 92.00; Bound Tree Medical, medical supplies,325.10; Chase Pest Service, pest spraying, 40.00; City of Sioux Falls, water testing, 52.74; Corporate Trust TFM, C461071-01 payment, 23917.26; Core & Main, WTP lab supplies, 10891.22; DGR Engineering, airport CIP, 69406.02; Den Herder, Hovden, & Barrett, attorney services, 820.00; Duininck, Airport CIP PA#6, 1583389.77; Dust-Tex, supplies, 52.15; First Savings Bank, SMD, pool, & FO, 405.92; First Savings Bank, trailer rental, supplies, 1607.03; Global Industrial, WTP shelving, 2516.19; Goldenwest, utilities, 709.74; Haase’s Heating & Cooling, CSC service call, 303.88; Hawkins Inc, chemicals, 2888.83; Highway Improvements, trail sealcoat, 5482.66; JCL Solutions, supplies, 727.67; Scott Kostal, travel reimbursement, 163.38; LEAF, copy contract, 128.79; Menards, park faucet, 21.99; Mensch Flower Shop, E. Renner memorial, 40.00; Joel Neuman, 4th of July, 105.00; Northwestern, utilities, 10271.41; Public Health Lab, water testing, 440.00; Quill, WTP furniture, 1577.36; Ramkota Hotel, project prison reset, 272.00; Miles Runyon, 4th of July, 315.00; SD One Call, locate services, 36.75; SPN, WTP engineering, 2673.50; Kimberly Tolsma, pool reimbursement, 143.47; TwoTrees Technologies, monthly services, 708.75; Tyndall Ace Hardware, supplies, 392.41; Walsh Polygraph, background check, 380.00; Water & Environmental, water testing, 103.00; Mackenzie West, story time yoga-SMD, 50.00; Williams Sanitation, utilities, 256.00. Payroll Deductions: SD Retirement System 2871.04; Principal Life Insurance 35.83; Avera Health Plans 5024.58; Supplemental Retirement 180.00; Messerli & Kramer PA 807.00; Companion Life 123.00; First Savings Bank 9840.77. Payroll by Department: GENERAL- Mayor/Council 1056.31; Finance Office 4767.61; Streets 3243.85; Airport 841.20; Ambulance 2030.56; Parks & Rec 2180.67; Parks/Pool, 11505.55; Library 879.94; WATER 4457.53; SEWER 5682.35. Finance Officer’s Report: Dietsch moved, Mueller second to approve the Finance Officer’s Report. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Donations: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve donation of $200.00 to library in memorial of long-time finance officer Eleanor Renner. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried.

**Public Comment**: Cvrk spoke regarding the upcoming Lincoln Day Dinner. Hagen reiterated that municipal governments are impartial and nonpartisan. Branton thanked the city and council for the opportunity for residents to call in to meetings.

**Official Correspondence: Mayor** Kostal read letter from the Pilcrow Foundation.

**Mayor and Department Report**: Utilities – Water leaks repaired; firewall installation scheduled; WTP furniture, lab equipment & shelving delivered. Streets –Removed asphalt in preparation of street repair, saved for future repair work. Airport – See capital improvement projects update. Fire Department – Fire Hall opened as storm shelter. Ambulance – 11 July calls, 74 YTD; ambulance repairs in the works; 1 new EVOC driver certified. Police – Officer Damico official start date Aug. 1; Sherriff’s Dept assist with 4th of July coverage; reminder that residents need to have a valid driver’s license to operate a golf cart. Library – Storytime Yoga with Kenzie West was a success. Parks – Trail resurfacing complete; last full pool day Aug 13 with Aug 16-17 & 23-24 hours from 1-5pm. Finance Office – Reviewing election legislation; Project Boundary Fence assessment received; firewall installed complete; supplemental budget upcoming. Mayor - Attended Elected Official training in Pierre; SDML Handbook available online. Other Partners/Agencies – GF&P playground equipment awaiting installment.

**Capital Improvement Projects:** Water Treatment Plant Update - WTP Feimer Pay App #28 - $38,323.00: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve WTP Feimer Pay App #28 for $38,323.00. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. WTP Change Order #20 – $15,475.00: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve WTP Change Order #20 for $15,475.00. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. WTP Change Order #21 - $10,500.00: Dietsch moved, Ludens second to approve WTP Change Order #21 for $10,500.00. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Airport – Duininck Pay App #6 - $1,583,389.77: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve Airport Duininck Pay App #6 for $1,583,389.77. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Change Order #2 - $0.00: Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve Change Order #2 for $0.00. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried.

**Old Business**: Abandoned Properties - No action.

**New Business**: Authorization to Hang Sign – SSYA – Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve Springfield Summer Youth Association to hang donated sign at College Memorial Park. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Surplus Ball lights, Pick-Up, Office Furniture – Dietsch moved, Ludens second to approve surplus ball lights, pick-up, and office furniture as presented. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Approve Special Event On-Site Alcohol Sales Permit-Springfield Pub- Lincoln Day Dinner – Mueller moved, Ludens second to approve special event on-site alcohol sales permit as presented. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Authorize Schoenfish & CO for 2024 Audit – Ludens moved, Mueller second to approve Schoenfish & Co to complete 2024 Audit as presented. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Zoning Ordinance # 622 Discussion – Council presented their questions and concerns regarding zoning ordinance updates. Approve Resolution 2025-04 – Amend Library Budget - $400 – Mueller moved, Dietsch second to approve Resolution 2025-02-Amend Library Budget - $400. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried.

*RESOLUTION 2025-04*

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Springfield, South Dakota has determined that city expenditures for expanding the library inventory were paid to the Pilcrow Foundation in the amount of $400.00 and; WHEREAS, funds were made available through two donations, Schwab Charitable and Irene Cooley, received in the amounts of $250.00 and $150.00, respectively; WHEREAS, SDCL 9-21-9.2 authorizes the municipality to reimburse for such expenditures to be restored to the fund from which originally withdrawn and the deposit of the same shall restore the budget of such fund in the amount of the reimbursement; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Springfield, South Dakota that the Library budget will be increased by $400.00. Dated this 4th day of August 2025.

Budget Ordinance #623 – First Reading - Dietsch moved, second to table the Budget Ordinance #623 – First Reading. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Approve Code of Ethics & Conduct for Elected & Appointed Officials – Mueller moved, Ludens second to table Code of Ethics & Conduct for Elected & Appointed Officials. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Approve Personnel Policy Manual Section I – Purpose & Use – Mueller moved, Dietsch second to table Personnel Policy Manual Section I – Purpose & Use. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. South Dakota Open Meeting Laws Brochure Review -Per SB74, council reviewed the 2025 South Dakota Open Meetings Laws Brochure.

**Adjournment:** Mueller moved, Dietsch second to adjourn. Three voted in favor, one absent, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Scott L. Kostal

Mayor

Amanda Larson

Finance Officer

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