

City of Columbia Council Meeting – August 6, 2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL –Dana Mohr, Cara Dennert, Jeremy Dosch, Scott Meints, Sam Hoppock, Trevor Meints

Community: Lacey & Ben Jeffrey, Julie Voeller, Lisa Mohr, Pam Blair, Angela & Judy Grieb, Cheryl Kampa, Lorie Gilchrist

Mayor Dana Mohr called the meeting to order. Dana called for a motion to approve the agenda. Cara added three vouchers to the list. Scott Meints made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Trevor Meints seconded the motion. All in favor – motion carried. Dana called for any conflict of interest on agenda items. There were no conflicts. Minutes were handed out from the July 2nd meeting. Trevor Meints made a motion to approve the minutes. Sam Hoppock seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried.

Warrant Vouchers: Web – fire prevention – 53.42; US Treasury – 1st quarter taxes – 2057.31; JVT – fire prevention – 213.01; Northwestern Energy – electricity – 1227.69; Jeremy Dosch– July wages -690.01; Cara Dennert – July wages– 1317.60; Runnings – shop supplies – 265.92; Double D Lot Service – June/July lawn care – 13463; Mark’s Electric – ballpark concessions water filter - 149.58; Matheson Inc. – lease to own tanks – 551.96; GDI News – publication – 37.79; Newman Signs – handicap sign – 17.19 Scott Meints made a motion to approve the vouchers. Sam Hoppock seconded the motion. All in favor - motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS /CORRESPONDENCE: emails from Brown County – Emergency Management Office – notification system, Chris Anderson – building permits for Larson, Hoppock, & Youngerman

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- wastewater and drainage plans/Stockwell Engineering – landowner lagoon discussion for end of meeting in executive session; Columbia Fest – Social Opportunities Group Report – Cheryl asked the council if there were any complications or issues. Next year the car show will be moved slightly. She wanted to thank everyone who helped in any way with Columbia Fest. The celebration went very smoothly.

Nuisances – Dana will talk to a resident about their intentions with some scrap metal.

Streets – John Hansen bladed the streets before Columbia Fest.

Parks – The contractors put in an additional filter in the park’s well to control iron numbers. Park View will be coming to evaluate trees before fall.

Lagoon/Sewer-executive session

Rubble Site – no report

NEW BUSINESS Dana has tried to contact Rod about the Voller’s trees. Dana did get an estimate on tree removal. The city received a QQP bill for a sign for the ballpark. Lorie told us that the foundation applied for a grant (on the city’s behalf) from the South Dakota Community Foundation to pay for a donor sign for the ballpark concession stand. She said that QQP will wait on the bill until the city receives the grant money. Scott (and the board agreed) that in the future there needs to be more communication before the city is presented with a bill they know nothing about.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Cara received audit recommendations from State Auditor. The city received a check from US Treasury - \$3.20 (overpayment from 3rd Q 2024). We also received a check from Meyers Tractor Salvage – 221.20 (for scrap material taken out of the old ballpark.)

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

July 31, 2025, balances: SF - \$ 99,407.03; SF Money Market –\$ 152,756.27;

GF - \$ 206,976.88; GF Money Market - \$ 51,255.81; CD Money Market - \$ 41,624.86

FIT - \$15,927.70; Cash on hand - \$0

Trevor Meints made a motion to go into executive session to discuss lagoon land details. Jeremy Dosch seconded the motion. Start time 7:43 p.m. End time 7:57 p.m. Mayor Mohr adjourned the meeting.

Next City Council Meeting - Monday, September 8, 2025 – 7:00 p.m. (changed date because of attendance conflicts)

Submitted by Cara Dennert, Finance Officer

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