

Elkton City Council Minutes
July 1, 2019

The Elkton City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor David Landsman at 7:17 PM. Council members present were John Miraglia, Greg Nelson, Nieema Thasing, Aaron Thompson and Christina Wiemer. Councilmember Scott Stuefen was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Georgi Jensen, Maya Jensen, Maddie Jensen, Stephanie Hup, Matt Hup, Jerry Hup, Toni Hegerfeld and Jessica Jensen with RFD.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Nelson to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Thompson to approve the June 3, 2019 planning and zoning meeting minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Thasing to approve the June 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

During citizen comments there was discussion on the tiling. The tiling project is almost complete and is already seeing water in it, but it will take time to help drain water from town. Toni Hegerfeld expressed her gratitude to the City council on completing this project to help with high water table in and around the city. Also during citizen comments questions about the time frame of when residents can shoot off fireworks in city limits were asked. Per ordinance: residents are able to shoot off fireworks from June 27th – the first Sunday after the 4th. Sunday – Thursday until 10:00 PM and on the 4th, Friday and Saturday until 12:00 PM.

The council discussed Variance #046 for Aaron Thompson, if approved it would allow for him to build a garage larger than allowed on a property without a principal structure. Motion by Thasing, second by Wiemer to approve Variance #046 for Aaron Thompson with the understanding that a principal structure will be built in 3 years or land with the garage will be replatted with the existing farmstead property to the north. Roll call vote was taken: those voting aye: Miraglia, Nelson, Thasing, Wiemer. Thompson abstained. Motion carried. Other building permits issued over the past month include: #511 to Laura Frank to remove existing deck and add new 10' x 30' deck on her property at 215 Beaver Street. Permit #512 to Dave Landsman for Mike Bruns to remove fence, deck and pool and put in a new deck on his property at 318 Antelope Street. Permit #513 to Nathan Pester to add a 12' x 12' deck on the front of the house and concrete pad on his property at 600 Antelope Street. Permit #514 to Joshua Crofutt to add decks onto the house and a concrete pad on his property at 207 Sunset Circle. Permit #515 to Steve Skeels to add a concrete driveway on his property at 310 E North Drive.

Steve Jensen, Public Works Director was on hand to give his report. Tile project is almost complete; the water level is slowly going down. Ten loads of gravel were placed on Marshall Street to help firm up the road. Scrap metal is being cleaned out of the lagoon area and brought for recycling. There is extra weed growth in the lagoons that need to be sprayed due to the normal bacteria that helps control this is diluted from the extra water infiltration. The dump truck is in for brake repairs. Demolition at 413 Badger Street is complete and the ground has been seeded. The new mower is in for repairs, we have a loaner until it is returned. Back up for

when Jensen is out of town for pump issues was discussed. He will speak with Elkton Plumbing to see if they are willing to be on call if the need arises.

Bar report included staffing is at a bare minimum so it isn't ideal, no new applications for bartenders have come in. Profit for the month of June was around \$5000.00. Emmett Fest there will be a band on Friday evening with the poker run on Saturday.

Susan Schuurman, Finance Officer gave her report. Janice Kampmann was hire for the part-time office assistant at \$12.00 per hour. So far things are running smoothly. Schuurman will be working on the 2020 budget soon. On July 11th Schuurman will attend a FEMA Public Assistance Briefing for the severe storms that occurred March 13-April 26.

There were no reports for the Fire Department or Ambulance.

City Librarian, Sherry Bauman was not in attendance, but left her report, the summer reading program has begun. There are about 50 kids registered for this year's program. About 74 people attended Mr. Twister's Balloon show. The SD Children's Book Awards committee will be making their final choices this month. The carpet has been shampooed and all the lights have been switched to LED. The DVD tower was broken during the move to clean the carpet, the school offered to pay for half the cost of a new tower. The One Book discussion was held with 10 people attending. The library will be closed Thursday, July 4th. The next library board meeting will be Wednesday, July 17th at 1:30 PM.

Park & Rec Director, Georgi Jensen was on hand for a report. Summer activities are going well with around 50 kids enrolled in various activities and field trips. The ESL class has 7-10 people attending.

The baseball field score board was moved and wired into one of the existing light poles temporarily. The plan is to wire it into the tennis court lighting source or the baseball field lighting source. Motion by Wiemer, second by Thompson to approve the wiring to the baseball field at the cost of \$680.00, but to wait until after the July tournament if possible. All in favor – motion carried. One of the swing set frames had to be removed do to old age and bad conditions. A new one can be purchased for \$830.00, along with a molded swing seat for \$372.00 with shipping to cost \$445.00. Motion by Wiemer, second by Miralgia to approve these purchases. All in favor – motion carried.

The May 2019 budget overview was reviewed.

In old business, the Cornell railroad crossing is on the list to be upgrade to have a light in 2023. Peddler's license applications and description were passed out. Nothing was decided.

In new business, Maya and Maddie Jensen gave a presentation for their Girl Scout Silver award project. They are planning a clothes drive that would allow people to donate gently used clothes, shoes and school items and they would organize it all for a free distribution to community members. They requested the use of the community center for the collection and distribution. Motion by Wiemer, second by Thasing to waive the rental fee for this project. All in favor – motion carried.

A protocol for dealing with nuisance issues on private property was handed out to council. Discussion was held on dealing with improperly licensed vehicles and the speed limit on Elk Street business area. A request for a dead end sign on E 2nd Street was heard. Discussion on who is responsible for the up keep of the Veteran Memorial garden and the Welcome to Elkton area was held.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Nelson to approve the July bills. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Wiemer to go into executive session pursuant SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 9:30 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

The council came out of executive session at 10:01 PM.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Thasing to offer the Bar Manager position to Jason Soren at \$29,000.00, 40 hour per week minimum, 60 day probationary period and 90 day review. Roll call vote, those voting for: Miraglia, Nelson, Thompson, Thasing, Wiemer. Motion carried.

Motion by Thompson, second by Thasing to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

July 2019 payments

Aflac 33.50 insurance; Amazon 411.32 books for library; *Anderson, Bob 225.00 library event; A-OX welding 305.56 shop supplies, cylinder leases; Appera 201.69 towel, linen supplies; AT&T 168.88 cell service; Austreim Excavating 75.00 south road maintenance; Beal Distributing 3057.99 beer purchases; Bobcat of Brookings 87.77 shop maintenance; Br. Co. Chamber of Commerce 150.00 membership dues; Br. Co. Sheriff's Dept 2888.27 contract law enforcement, animal control; Br. Deuel Rural Water System 3908.00 water purchased; Br. Equipment 53.46 shop maintenance; CashWa distributing 2833.49 bar supplies; Chesterman Co 235.00 pop purchases; CHS 1098.86 propane, misc supplies; Children's Museum 252.88 park & rec; City of Elkton 1686.57 utility fees; Colonial Life 271.84 insurance; Cook's Wastepaper 3567.82 contract garbage; Cook's Wastepaper 2720.00 clean up fees; Dakota Beverage Co 1825.65 beer purchases; Dakota Service & Repair 70.00 oxygen purchase; Dakota Supply Group 110.54 water dept supplies; Dept of Revenue 1685.49 sales tax remittance; Doniz, Sergio 57.17 utility deposit refund; Double D Gravel 1348.30 street supplies; EFTPS 4431.78 federal tax payments; Elk Nation 100.00 donation; Elkton Locker 16.99 bar, c-ctr supplies; Elkton Lumber 6462.05 street, bar maintenance, park improvements; Emmett Fest Golf Tournament 100.00 donation; Hartung Electric 4265.27 baseball light repairs; Hill Refrigeration 431.12 bar repairs; *InGage It 558.60 bar POS support; ITC 731.30 phone & internet service; JP Cooke 68.80 dog license; Jensen, Georgi 66.27 reimbursement for supplies; Johnson Bros 2022.62 liquor purchases; Laible, Landon 39.57 utility deposit refund; LG Everist 414.30 rock purchase; Liberty Septic 385.00 porta potties for Harvest Fest, sewer maintenance; London Fog 240.46 fogger parts; Lowes 175.88 street supplies; MARC 2072.34 mosquito spray; McKeever Inc 166.64 bar supplies; Otkin, Joyce 44.50 utility deposit refund; Ottertail 2528.28 electricity; Postmaster 160.00 postage; Quill 63.89 bar supplies; Ramkota Hotel 192.00 room fees; Republic Beverage Company 1327.81 liquor purchases; RFD Newspapers 1507.64 publications; Runnings 617.77 street supplies, equipment; Schuurman, Susan 508.90 reimbursement for mileage, meals, incentive pay; SD Health 203.00 sewer tests; SD Retirement 1562.16 retirement payment; Sioux Valley Energy 160.00 lagoon electricity; Skyview 1715.76 fuel purchases; Southern Glazers 266.65 liquor purchases; SPN 28800.00 engineering fees; TE Underground 1440.00 boring for culvert; Team Lab 1031.75 street supplies; Town & Country Shopper 54.80 bar, finance ads United Labs 848.62 sewer supplies; US Bank 6258.31 SRF loan payment; Visa 191.04 library, bar, finance

supplies; WW tire 19.72 pick up maintenance; Walmart 215.67 bar, park & rec, library
supplies; Wellmark BC/BS 1732.10 health insurance.

***denotes already pd. *Payroll:** Mayor/Council 941.77; Finance 2680.46; C-ctr 349.95;
Street 4103.13; Library 973.44; Bar 3570.38; Water 3303.95; Sewer 3016.14.