Elkton City Council Special Meeting Minutes March 18, 2019

The special meeting of the Elkton City Council was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor David Landsman. Council members present were Deanna Lundgren, Stewart Salzman, Nancy Spiering, Nieema Thasing and Christina Wiemer. Also in attendance was Janelle Nelson.

Motion by Lundgren, second by Thasing to approve the agenda. All in favor – motion carried.

Councilmember Wiemer talked to Volga, White, Aurora and Brookings about their future planning and how they go about the process. Volga and White use First District of Local Governments to do a Strategic Plan. Volga and Aurora have an active Economic Development group that meets once a month and works with their City Councils. Wiemer suggested that we also work with First District to get a strong plan in place.

Uploading the video of the council meetings to YouTube was discussed. There were no objections to doing this. The council also agreed to purchase an external hard drive for the finance office.

Motion by Thasing, second by Lundgren to approve Linda Kampmann as election superintendent and election workers of Pat Landsman and Vikkie Myers for the April 9th election. All in favor – motion carried.

The council discussed City wide clean up day. May 31st was the chosen date.

The council was presented with a Tax Abatement request for Eric and Mindy Jones on the building they lost to a fire last summer. Motion by Salzman, second by Wiemer to approve the abatement in the amount of \$221.31. All in favor – motion carried.

Discussion was held in length about the contents of the nuisance property at 413 Badger Street. There is a lot of household items in the home still and some people are interested in the garages on the property. The council discussed possibilities of an auction, either the City doing one or a charity organization being allowed to do one. Also discussed was allowing a school group to sell the items for a fundraiser. The lawyer needs to be consulted in regards to the contents of the property.

Motion by Spiering, second by Thasing to go into executive session pursuant SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 7:16 PM. All in favor – motion carried. The council came out of executive at 8:14 PM.

Motion by Salzman, second by Wiemer to offer the Bar Manager position to Brandi Nissen part time, 20-25 hours at \$17.00 per hour. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Spiering, second by Wiemer to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM. All in favor – motion carried.