Elkton City Council Minutes

October 7, 2019

The Elkton City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor David Landsman at 7:00 PM. Council members present were John Miraglia, Greg Nelson, Scott Stuefen, Nieema Thasing, Aaron Thompson and Christina Wiemer. Also in attendance were Ryan Sik, Kristi Theilen and Henry Willert and Jessica Jensen with RFD.

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

Motion by Wiemer, second by Miraglia to approve the September 4, 2019 regular meeting minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Miraglia, second by Stuefen to approve the September 25, 2019 special meeting minutes with correction. All in favor – motion carried.

Craig Veldkamp an Aerial Soil Scientist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Veldkamp spoke to the council about the type of soil that is around and in Elkton. He explained that areas all over the state is saturated with water and until the rivers start going down we will continue to deal with ground water saturation. There is no fix to this situation, just time and patience.

Building Permit #523 for Joe Stein to bring a 12' x 24' shed for storage on his property at 302 W 3rd Street. Motion by Wiemer, second by Thompson to approve building permit #523.

Public Works Director, Steve Jensen was on hand for his report. New speed limits signs are up on Elk Street, 15 mph between 1st and 3rd Street. The park bathrooms were winterized. The tiling project is complete from 4th Street to Cornell Ave to replace a storm water line that was deteriorated. A culvert was cleaned out at the end of Elk Street to help with drainage. The pump at the lagoon needs maintenance, Dakota Pump will provide the servicing. Jensen requests that all vehicles and other items parked in the alley be moved for snow removal purposes.

Jason Soren, Bar Manager was not in attendance, but left his report. There will be Karaoke on October 11th with Outlaw entertainment. Several other events are being planned for the winter. Soren plans to upgrade the light bulbs in the bar and is working on cleaning out the storage areas of the bar.

Finance Officer, Susan Schuurman reported on the findings of paying off the Main Street TIF loan, this can be paid off, the city would continue to collect the TIF amount until there was full reimbursement of the loan amount.

There were no reports for the Fire Department and Ambulance.

Sherry Bauman, City Librarian was on hand to give her report. Story hour is going well with 11 children registered. Daycare deliveries have begun, 2 daycares are participating. The library will be open to costumed trick or treaters from 5-7 PM on Thursday, October 31st. The next library board meeting will be Wednesday, November 13th at 5 PM.

Kristie Thielen reported for the Par & Rec. The Elkton Childcare and Education Center will host a Halloween Party on October 26^{th} .

The council reviewed the budget overview.

Ordinance #366 for the 2020 Appropriations was reviewed. Motion by Wiemer, second by Thompson to approve the ordinance. All in favor – motion carried.

In old business, a street light was requested on east 2nd street. Motion by Wiemer, second by Thasing to approve the placement of a new street light pending neighbor approval. All in favor – motion carried. City attorney drew up information for a peddlers permit, this will be implemented for the 2020 selling season.

In new business, a sewer line for a new building on property owned by Aaron Thompson was discussed, there isn't enough rise for it a new line to be hooked to the existing sewer line. City ordinance states in Article 12.3.2.3 that if a public sanitary sewer system is not available within 200 feet of the property line a private sewer system is allowed if approved by the state.

Motion by Thasing, second by Thompson to hire Dave Miller with the South Dakota Municipal League to conduct code enforcement in the City of Elkton starting next spring. All in favor – motion carried.

Rental fees for the community center were discussed, it was agreed that the prices are in need of going up.

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

Motion by Thompson, second by Thasing to go into executive session pursuant SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 8:32 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

The council came out of executive session at 8:56 PM.

Motion by Wiemer, second by Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

October 2019 payments

Aflac 33.50 insurance; Amazon 291.22 books for library; A-OX welding 165.73 shop supplies; Appeara 209.00 towel, linen supplies; AT&T 169.47 cell service; Austreim Excavating 150.00 south road maintenance; BankStar 28.12 petty cash; Bauman, Sherry 216.00 reimbursement for books; Beal Distributing 3217.10 beer purchases; Bobcat of Brookings 4692.00 pumps; Bramble Park Zoo 235.44 park & rec field trip; *Br. Co. Finance Office 4423.88 land purchase; Br. Co. Sheriff's Dept 2941.40 contract law enforcement, animal control costs; Br. Deuel Rural Water System 2837.90 water purchased; Buffalo Ridge concrete 4509.74 drain tile; Car Quest 98.40 truck maintenance; CashWa distributing 2377.93 bar supplies; Chesterman Co 310.00 pop purchases; CHS 1283.51 propane, misc supplies; City of Brookings 870.76 landfill fees; City of Elkton 285.22 utility fees; Colonial Life 271.84 insurance; Cook's Wastepaper 3507.72 contract garbage; Cook's Wastepaper 1240.00 clean up fees; Core & Main 231.33 water dept supplies; Dakota Beverage Co 2284.60 beer purchases; Dakota Pump & Control 3012.23 sewer pump repairs; Dakota Service & Repair 31.00 oxygen purchase; DENR 260.00 drinking water fee; Dept of Revenue 1604.50 sales tax remittance; Discount Magazine Subscription 234.84 magazine for library; Double D Gravel 389.80 street, park supplies; EFTPS 3605.42 federal tax payments; Elkton Electric 1077.90 bar, c-ctr, ambulance maintenance; Elkton Locker 201.16 bar, c-ctr supplies; Elkton Plumbing 1591.86 water dept, bar maintenance; Fitzpatrick, Ben 300.00 stump grinding; Harry's Frozen Food 419.75 pizzas for bar; Huerta, Alfonso 300.00 DJ for bar; Hydro Klean 1725.50 clean out culvert; ITC 768.67 phone & internet service; Jensen, Steve 16.80 mileage reimbursement; Johnson Bros 2101.40 liquor purchases; Lowes 601.88 water, sewer, fire dept supplies; Lynn, Eric 27.30 mileage reimbursement; MARC 1207.08 west nile supplies; McKeever Inc 201.76 bar supplies; Ottertail 2689.46 electricity; Outlaw Entertainment 300.00 bar entertainment; Postmaster 125.00 postage; Quill 182.75 bar, finance office supplies; Republic Beverage Company 388.50 liquor purchases; RFD Newspapers 222.24 publications; Runnings 1313.46 street, water, sewer supplies; SD Health 435.00 sewer tests; SD Retirement 1202.72 retirement payment; Sioux Valley Energy 170.00 lagoon electricity; Skyview 2626.01 fuel purchases; *Southern Glazers 261.57 liquor purchases; SPN 19200.00 engineering fees; TAPCO 271.54 speed limit signs; TE Underground 4400.00 tile boring under road; United Laboratories 7141.69 sewer supplies; US Bank 6258.31 SRF loan payment; USTI 3.36 ebill fees; Visa 259.75 water, sewer supplies; Walmart 52.99 finance supplies; Wellmark BC/BS 1732.10 health insurance.

*denotes already pd. *Payroll: Mayor/Council 860.43; Finance 2876.78; C-ctr 210.20; Street 2206.28; Park & Rec 36.54; Library 973.43; Bar 5036.26; Water 2495.14; Sewer 2159.11.