

Elkton City Council Minutes

February 8, 2021

The Elkton City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Remund at 7:00 PM. Council members present were David Bierman, Natalie Hagen, Bill Kuehl, John Miralgia, Greg Nelson, and Scott Stuefen. Also in attendance was Jessica Jensen with the Elkton Record, Jeff McCormick with SPN.

Motion by Kuehl, second by Hagen to approve the agenda as printed. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Bierman to approve the January 4 regular meeting minutes. All in favor – motion carried.

During citizen comments, council member Miralgia updated the council about the Cornell Ave railroad crossing. His contact with the railroad shared that this particular crossing is the worst. It has had 12 near misses with vehicle train accidents. The crossing arms and lights are scheduled to happen in 2022.

Twin City Fan is looking to make the travel of their forklifts on Warehouse Street safer. He wanted to see what the council would be comfortable with and gave ideas of either signs to warn of the traffic or a sidewalk off the road that was heated to allow for the forklifts to travel off the road. The council stated either option would be acceptable.

Public Works Director, Steve Jensen was on hand with his report. There have been lift station problems. Dakota Pump will be coming to maintenance the Kinner lift station. The construction contractor will be coming to start the relining of the outfall line and working on the manholes on that line. We have received the tree order form so he will work on putting an order together for the tree bank.

Courtney Nelson, Bar Manager was on hand with her report. The bar furnace required maintenance. Had the plumbers in to look at the softener, it wasn't in good use, so replaced it with a utility sink. Nelson advised the council of the updates and cost of items. She has spent \$19,174.00 and requested an additional \$5,000.00 to get the remainder of the updates and repairs done. Motion by Kuehl, second by Nelson to approve an additional \$5,000.00 for updates at the bar. All in favor – motion carried. Nelson contacted Hill Refrigeration for a quote on the cooler doors. Nelson asked the council for clarification on the City's policy for minors in the bar. The council decided that no one under 21 should be in the bar. She also asked about several employees that have worked for several years without a raise. The council gave Nelson the ability to evaluate the employees and give appropriate raises.

Finance Officer, Susan Schuurman gave her report. The community cupboard wanted to make sure that the council was still okay with the use of the office; the council felt the location was still working. Teri Bukowski hopes to purchase a refrigerator to allow for perishable handling so as not to use the centers refrigerator. Schuurman talked to the council about code enforcement and the options for the City. The council agreed to contact the new code enforcer and have them come to a council meeting.

Fire Chief, Chris Alberts gave a report to the council. The Fire Department would like to expand the building on the north side for storage purposes. The council asked about how much space the department wanted of the empty lot to the west. Alberts requested 40 feet for parking.

The ambulance has an EMT class started with 6 students from Elkton. They will be hosting a refresher that should have a full class with EMTs from around the state on March 12-14th.

Sherry Bauman, City Librarian was not in attendance but left her report. Story hour, curbside services and daycare deliveries all continue and are going well. Planning for the Summer Reading Program continues, Bauman will attend a 2 hour virtual webinar on Saturday February 27th. The annual Public Library Survey is due to the SD State Library by March 21, 2021. The next library board meeting will be Wednesday, March 10th at 5:00 PM.

There was no report for the Park and Rec.

The council reviewed the budget overview for 2021.

The council read Resolution 2021-02.01, amended loan agreement.

**CITY OF ELKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02.01**

**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY THE REVENUE OBLIGATION LOAN
AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE \$1,206,000 CITY OF
ELKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA DRINKING WATER REVENUE BOND.**

WHEREAS, the City of Elkton, South Dakota (the “City”) obtained a \$1,206,000 Clean Water SRF Loan, (the “Loan”) from the South Dakota Conservancy District (the “District”) on July 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Loan was to fund a portion of the costs pursuant to a project defined in Appendix A (the “Project”) to the Revenue Obligation Loan Agreement dated July 31, 2020 (the “Original Loan Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the original project scope was to clean and televise the system and replace approximately 22,000 feet of storm and sewer pipe along with 29 manholes and the project must now include the replacement of the west lift station. The west lift station has experienced significant deterioration within the past year and is in need of replacement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The City Council of Elkton, South Dakota does hereby approve the amendment of Appendix A to the Loan Agreement in the form attached hereto.
2. The Mayor, City Finance Officer and City Administrator are authorized and directed to file such applications, execute an amendment to the Original Loan Agreement and related documents, engage bond counsel, and take all other steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

Dated this 8th day of February 2021.

CITY OF ELKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

By Charles Remund

Its Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Schuurman

Finance Officer

Motion by Miraglia, second by Nelson to approve Resolution 2021-02.01. All in favor – motion carried.

In old business, City infrastructure project update. Halme will begin working on the outfall joint repairs and grouting manholes this week. Five bids were received for the west lift station. The low bid was from Premier Contracting LLC at \$349,042.50, SPN recommends awarding them the bid. Phase II project plans are approximately 60% complete, a meeting is needed for review of these plans with Steve and several council members.

Motion by Hagen, second by Nelson to award the bid for the West Lift Station to Premier Contracting LLC in the amount of \$349,042.05 contingent on the approval of DERN. All in favor – motion carried.

In new business, the council discussed the possibility of a zoning board. No decisions were made.

Motion by Bierman, second by Stuefen to approve payment of the February bills. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Kuehl, second by Hagen to go into executive session at 8:53 PM pursuant SDCL 1-25-2(1). All in favor – motion carried. The council came out of executive session at 9:48 PM.

Motion by Nelson, second by Bierman to adjourn the council meeting at 9:48 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

February 2021 payments

Aflac 67.00 insurance; Amazon 128.56 books for library; A-OX welding 33.57 shop supplies; Aramark 499.34 bar mats, supplies, c-ctr mats; AT&T 148.70 cell service; BankStar 16.11 petty cash; Beal Distributing 4265.65 beer purchases; Bobcat of Brookings 831.12 shop supplies, rental; Britzman, Steven 218.00 lawyer fees; Br. Co. Sheriff's Dept 2862.44 contract law enforcement; Br. Deuel Rural Water System 3730.10 water purchased; C & K Construction 17,640.95 tiling; Car Quest 80.07 truck maintenance; Century Business Products 69.22 library copier lease, copies; Chesterman 300.00 pop purchased; CHS 2208.12 propane, diesel, misc supplies; City of Elkton 351.48 utility fees; City of Sioux Falls 43.50 water tests; Colonial Life 241.08 insurance; Cook's Wastepaper 3783.17 contract garbage; Dakota Beverage Co 4814.20 beer purchases; DMI 3675.14 JCB maintenance; Dept of Revenue 2320.65 sales tax remittance; EFTPS 3358.94 federal tax payments; Elkton Community Club 200.00 membership dues; Elkton Bar 60.37 reimbursement for supplies; Elkton Lumber 892.67 shop supplies; Elkton Plumbing 477.16 bar repairs; Farquhar, Jane 50.00 utility deposit refund; First District Assoc of Loca Gov 967.03 annual support; Glacial Lakes & Prairies 200.00 annual

magazine ad; Green Energy Solution 235.00 bar furnace maintenance; Harry's Frozen Food 779.50 pizzas for bar; Heiman 299.00 annual fire extinguisher inspection; Henry's 2091.96 bar supplies; ITC 850.36 phone & internet service; Jensen, Steve 70.00 phone reimbursement; Johnson Bros 3165.22 liquor purchases; Liberty Septic 480.00 lift station maintenance; MARC 176.04 bar supplies; Midwest Glass 260.45 bar maintenance; Napa Auto Parts 75.14 shop maintenance; Ottetail 2405.67 electricity; *Outlaw Entertainment 350.00 bar entertainment; Outlaw Entertainment 350.00 bar entertainment; *Postmaster 70.00 postage; Postmaster 163.00 postage; Quill 143.46 finance supplies; *Republic Beverage Company 923.40 liquor purchases; Republic Beverage Company 1129.95 liquor purchases; RFD News 232.06 publications; Runnings 314.47 shop, fire dept supplies; *SD Retailers 240.00 annual dues; SD Retirement 1581.52 retirement payment; Sioux Valley Energy 98.00 lagoon electricity; Skyview 381.77 fuel purchases; *Southern Glazer's 1548.26 liquor purchases; Southern Glazer's 1491.91 liquor purchases; Team Lab Chem 2936.50 sewer, street supplies; United Lab 367.00 shop supplies; Vadim Municipal Software 2508.00 ebill fees, annual support; Visa 2566.77 bar, finance, ambulance, fire dept, c-ctr supplies; Visa – street dept 158.51 shop supplies; Visa – Bar 735.09 bar supplies; Wellmark BC/BS 2622.31 health insurance.

***denotes already pd. *Payroll:** Mayor/Council 1336.82; Finance 3018.61; C-ctr 185.24; Street 2289.70; Library 1002.64; Bar 6053.29; Water 2461.04; Sewer 2289.67.