

Elkton City Council Minutes

February 6, 2023

The Elkton City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Remund at 6:00 PM. Council members present were Jordan Beck, David Bierman, Tal Farnham, Bill Kuehl, Greg Nelson and Scott Stuefen.

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

Motion by Bierman, second by Nelson to approve the January 9th regular meeting minutes. All in favor - motion carried.

During citizen comments a concern was received about the possibility of a gravel pit within city limits.

Public Works Director, Steve Jensen was not in attendance but left his report. They helped the fire department with removing snow around fire hydrants. Applicator licenses have been renewed for 2 years for spraying. Jensen and Nelson will attend a safety training in Brookings on February 28th. A couple water leaks were fixed in January. The lift station on E 3rd Street has plugged several times with rags. Liberty septic will be coming to vacuum them out.

The bar report includes that we are still searching for a manager. There have been a couple incidents with bartender safety recently. Options were discussed to make sure the employees are safe. Hours have been adjusted because of staff shortage. The Elkton Community Outreach Committee asked to bar to split the cost of a band for Emmett Fest. More details need to be figured out to make sure everyone is on the same page.

Susan Schuurman, Finance Officer, was on hand with her report. She reminded the council members that are up for reelection that petitions need to be returned by February 24th. Schuurman will attend the County Equalization meeting on February 15th at 9 AM in Brookings.

There was no report for the Fire Department and Ambulance.

Sherry Bauman, City Librarian was not in attendance, but left her report. Story hour and daycare deliveries continue each week. The Annual Public Library Survey is open and due to the State Library by March 31st. The Magic of Travis Nye has been booked from the Summer Reading Program finale in July. Deanna Lundgren has taken Jennifer Kampmann's board position due to Kampmann's resignation. The next library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th at 5:00 PM.

There was no report for the Park & Rec.

The council reviewed the budget overview for January.

Committee reports: The Economic Development committee spoke about Eric Jones request to allow him to mine a portion of his property on the Northeast side of town. Members thought that with the fact that this particular activity was removed from the Zoning Ordinance and the benefits don't out way the risks that it was better to leave things as they are and not to approve this request.

The council discussed the Housing Infrastructure Bill, Mayor Remund will reach out to the developer that approached the City back in August.

In old business, J & J advised that Elkton would be their first stop for construction when the weather permits.

In new business, the fire department requested a credit card for purchases. Motion by Beck, second by Kuehl to approve a \$5,000.00 credit limit for a credit card for the Fire Department. All in favor – motion carried. The fire department also requested a fleet card for fuel purchases. Motion by Nelson, second by Bierman to allow the department to have a fleet card for each vehicle, that allows for fuel purchases only. All in favor – motion carried.

Two quotes were received for the softball field lights. Hartung Electric for \$69,733.43 and Elkton Electric for \$63,831.60. Motion by Nelson, second by Beck to approve the bid from Elkton Electric. All in favor – motion carried.

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

Motion by Nelson, second by Bierman to go into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 7:02 PM. All in favor – motion carried. The council came out of executive session at 7:10 PM.

Motion by Beck, second by Farnham to approve a 7% increase for Sherri Rochel from \$15.00 to \$16.05 per hour. All in favor – motion carried.

Motion by Bierman, second by Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 PM. All in favor – motion carried.

February 2023 payments

Aflac 27.04 insurance; Alberts, Chris 28.20 reimbursement for expenses; A-OX welding 36.33 shop supplies; Aramark 427.30 bar, c-ctr mats, supplies; AT&T 165.55 cell service; BankStar 14.20 petty cash; Beal Distributing 4359.85 beer purchases; Bobcat of Brookings 680.89 street maintenance, equipment; Br. Co. Sheriff's Dept 2862.44 contract law enforcement, service; Br. Deuel Rural Water System 5243.60 water purchased; Capital One 6.37 shop supplies; Century Business Products 69.42 library copier lease, copies; Chesterman 200.00 pop purchased; CHS 4763.50 propane, diesel, misc supplies; City of Elkton 341.46 utility fees; City of Sioux Falls 43.50 water tests; Colonial Life 460.41 insurance; Cook's Wastepaper 3899.37 contract garbage; Dakota Beverage Co 2774.90 beer purchases; Dakota Service & Repair 221.85 shop supplies; Dept of Revenue 2266.31 sales tax remittance; EFTPS 5442.60 federal tax payments; Elkton Community Club 200.00 membership dues; *Elkton Community Club 15.00 banquet ticket; Elkton-LB After Prom party 100.00 donation; Elkton Locker 7.38 c-ctr supplies; Elkton Plumbing 16.00 water dept supplies; First District Assoc of Local Gov 1025.00 fiscal support; Glacial Lakes & Prairies Tourism Assoc 240.00 membership fee; Harry's Frozen Food 1912.50 pizzas for bar; *Hatten, Tina 500.00 drink chips for bar; Henry's 1967.13 bar supplies; Hill Refrigeration 13,775.00 cooler doors replaced; ITC 783.86 phone & internet service; Jensen, Steve 70.00 phone reimbursement; Johnson Bros 3481.47 liquor purchases; LEAF 41.00 finance office copier lease; Lowes 47.53 shop supplies; Lynn, Lexy 21.42 mileage reimbursement; Nelson, Terry 30.00 phone reimbursement; One Office Solution 15.27 copier maintenance, copies; Ottertail 2675.42 electricity; Penworthy 398.68 books for library; Postmaster 207.00 postage; Prosch, Chandra 100.00 utility deposit refund; Republic Beverage Company 644.22 liquor purchases; RFD Newspapers 273.16 publications; Runnings 61.63 fire dept supplies; Schuurman, Susan 30.00

phone reimbursement; SD Health 88.00 sewer tests; *SDML Workers' Comp Fund 5687.00 work comp insurance; SD Retirement 2250.70 retirement payment; Sioux Valley Energy 55.00 lagoon electricity; Skyview 621.43 fuel purchases; Southern Glazer's 1428.84 liquor purchases; *Vadim Municipal Software 4.96 ebill fees; Visa – Street 626.23 shop, sewer, water dept supplies, fees; Visa – Bar 595.72 bar supplies; Wellmark BC/BS 2344.26 health insurance.

***denotes already pd. *Payroll:** Mayor/Council 859.94; Finance 5023.34; C-ctr 158.19; Street 3879.47; Park & Rec ; Library 1967.15; Bar 5862.90; Water 4272.07; Sewer 3879.41.