

The City Council for the City of Sisseton met in regular session on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Terry Jaspers, Alderwomen Appel & Randolph, Aldermen German, Just, Solberg and Stapleton.

Others Present: Erin Cameron, Amber Kemnitz, Ellen Lekness, Jim Croymans, Myron Doud, Gary Spencer, Jason Deutsch, Jeff Pageler, Ben Hanson, Nicholas Blaske, Lori Finnesand, Shari Gamber, Kristi Fritz, Robert Doody

Call to Order: Mayor Jaspers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: Solberg moved and Just seconded to approve agenda as presented. All voted aye.

Minutes: Stapleton moved and Randolph seconded to approve the June 13, 2022 minutes. All voted aye.

Bills Payable: Randolph moved and Just seconded to approve the bills payable as presented. All voted aye.

Liquor: Lekness presented the June 2022 liquor report.

Part Time Liquor Clerk: Stapleton moved and Just seconded to authorize hiring Carissa Oien as a part time liquor clerk at a wage of \$15.00/hr. All voted aye.

Police: Croymans reported on police department.

SRO Agreement: Appel moved and Solberg seconded to authorize Mayor Jaspers to sign SRO Agreement with the Sisseton School District. All voted aye.

Street/Safety: Doud reported for street department.

Water/Sewer: Spencer reported for the water and sewer department.

Building Permits: Stapleton moved and Appel seconded to approve the following building permits: 2022-16 D.Carlson, 2022-17 L.O'Connor, 2022-18 W.Veflin, 2022-19 CHS, Inc. All voted aye.

Finance Report: Appel moved and Randolph seconded to approve the June 2022 finance report. All voted aye.

City Attorney: No Report

Public Comment: Jason Deutsch suggested installing garage doors around the Anderson Park House to help prevent vandalism. Council will consider options to enclose stage area.

Surplus Property Bid Opening: At 7:00 p.m. surplus property bids were received as follows:
2017 Triton Trailer: \$3,350.00 Joe Schneider

German moved and Stapleton seconded to accept bid from Joe Schneider in the amount of \$3,350.00 for the 2017 Triton Trailer. All voted aye.

2005 Chevy Pickup: \$478.00 Bryce Johnson

No action by Council.

W 42' of lots 7-12 Block 21: \$1,036.00 Duane & Debra Wooley

Just moved and Solberg seconded to accept bid from Duane & Debra Wooley in the amount of \$1,036.00 for the W 42' of lots 7-12 of Block 21. All voted aye.

Visitors:

Shari Gamber, Roberts County Director of Equalization and Kristi Fritz, Roberts County Auditor, addressed Council regarding a reduction to value and tax abatement on two parcels of property within city limits where an error was discovered in the original valuation of property.

Property Tax Abatement: Stapleton moved and Solberg seconded to approve abatement of taxes for parcel's 12678 & 12679 in the amount of \$267.81 and to adjust the taxable value from \$6715.00 to \$3358.00 for parcel 12678 and from \$15,895 to \$7948.00 for parcel 12679. All voted aye.

SEDC Land Loan: Members of the Sisseton Economic Development Corp. addressed Council regarding the possible purchase of residential lots located in the Cedar Heights Addition and requested financing from the City in the amount of \$190,000.00 for the purchase of the property. Solberg moved and Appel seconded to authorize financing to Sisseton Economic Development Corp. in the amount of \$190,000.00 at an interest rate of 2%, interest to be paid annually, principal to be paid as lots are sold. All voted aye.

Teener/Legion Baseball Contribution: German moved and Appel seconded to authorize contribution of \$2,500.00 each to Teener Baseball and Legion Baseball. All voted aye.

Soil Technologies, Inc. Agreement: Just moved and Stapleton seconded to authorize Mayor Jaspers to sign Agreement and Scope of Services with Soil Technologies, Inc. for the geotechnical exploration for the Airport Hangar Taxilane Reconstruction Project. All voted aye.

SD Department of Health Mosquito Control Grant Agreement: Just moved and Appel seconded to authorize Mayor Jaspers to sign SD Department of Health Mosquito Control Grant Agreement. All voted aye.

Ordinance 682: Just moved and Solberg seconded to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance 682:

Amending a provision in the City of Sisseton's personnel policy for residency requirements. Upon roll call vote, voting aye were Appel, Just, Stapleton, Solberg, Randolph and German. Motion carried.

Health Board Inspection: Jeff Pageler informed Council of findings of the Health Board inspection on July 7, 2022. Council was in agreement to have City Attorney proceed with a default judgment.

Executive Session: Appel moved and Stapleton seconded to enter into executive session at 7:33 p.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (3) to discuss litigation. All voted aye. Mayor Jaspers declared the meeting back into regular session at 8:05 p.m.

Information & Discussion:

Council discussed ice skating pond project. Contact will be made with Mike Rolstad to find out if the project is on his schedule.

Adjourn: Appel moved and Stapleton seconded to adjourn. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Amber Kemnitz, Finance Officer