

The City Council for the City of Sisseton met in regular session on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Terry Jaspers, Alderwoman Randolph, Aldermen German, Just and Stapleton. Alderwoman Appel & Alderman Solberg were absent.

Others Present: Erin Cameron, Amber Kemnitz, Ellen Lekness, Jim Croymans, Myron Doud, Gary Spencer, Jason Deutsch, David Peterson, Nicholas Blaske, Markus Tracy, John & Mary Christopherson

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

Agenda: Randolph moved and Stapleton seconded to approve agenda as presented. All voted aye.

Minutes: Just moved and Randolph seconded to approve the August 8 & August 29, 2022 minutes. All voted aye.

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

Liquor: Lekness presented the August 2022 liquor report.

Police: Croymans reported on police department.

Street/Safety: Doud reported for street department and discussed cost to change body of garbage truck and possibility of adding electricity to Veterans Park for the Christmas Tree proposed by Sisseton Area Partners for Progress. Doud is waiting for estimates from electricians.

Water/Sewer: Spencer reported for the water and sewer department. Ottertail is in the process of working on electrical lines at Water Treatment Plant site.

Travel: German moved and Randolph seconded to approve travel for Gary Spencer to attend Wastewater Collection Training in Sioux Falls, SD on October 4-6, 2022

Building Permits: Just moved and Randolph seconded to approve the following building permits: 2022-22 Senior Citizen Association, 2022-24 Hills & Valley Riding Club, 2022-25 G.Halseide, 2022-26 J.Christopherson, 2022-27 S.Scheurenbrand, 2022-28 D.Weismantel, 2022-29 M.Wellnitz. All voted aye.

Finance Report: Stapleton moved and Just seconded to approve the August 2022 finance report. All voted aye.

City Attorney: No report.

Public Comment: Jason Deutsch questioned if the City has looked into enclosing the stage area at Anderson Park to help prevent vandalism. Options have not yet been looked at.

Travel: German moved and Stapleton seconded to approve travel for City Officials to attend the SDML Annual Conference in Watertown, SD on October 4-7, 2022. All voted aye.

SEDC Mortgage: Just moved and German seconded to authorize Mayor Jaspers to sign Mortgage between the City of Sisseton and the Sisseton Economic Development Corp. for the Cedar Heights Land Loan. All voted aye.

SEDC Promissory Note: Just moved and Stapleton seconded to approve the Promissory Note for the Sisseton Economic Development Corp Cedar Heights Land Loan. All voted aye.

Ordinance 683: Randolph moved and German seconded to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance 683 the 2023 appropriation ordinance. Upon roll call vote, voting aye were Just, Stapleton, Randolph and German. Appel and Solberg were absent. Motion carried.

Malt Beverage License Public Hearing: At 7:00 p.m. a public hearing was held for a 2022-2023 retail on-off sale malt beverage & SD farm wine license submitted by John & Mary Christopherson. There was no public input. German moved and Randolph seconded to approve the 2022-2023 retail on-off sale malt beverage & SD farm wine application for John & Mary Christopherson - The Soireé at 417 Veterans Ave. Voting aye were Just, Stapleton, Randolph and German. Appel and Solberg were absent. Motion carried.

Visitors: Nicholas Blaske and Markus Tracy provided information to Council regarding the Sisseton Arts Council Artist Collective. The Arts Council was awarded the Residencies for Recovery Grant which will be used to create a roster of artists within the Sisseton area and offer artists the opportunity to display and sell art work at various outlets. A pop up gallery will be displayed at The Soireé in mid-October. Other similar events will be planned.

Information & Discussion:

Regular October City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. Council received invitation to First District's annual picnic.

Adjourn: Stapleton moved and Just seconded to adjourn. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Amber Kemnitz, Finance Officer