

The City Council for the City of Sisseton met in regular session on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

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

Others Present: Amber Kemnitz, Ellen Lekness, Jim Croymans, Myron Doud, Gary Spencer, Jason Deutsch, Leif Redinger, Corey Helms, Bob Babcock, Nicholas Blaske, Markus Tracy, Terry Sutton, Jenn Spencer, Kevin Deutsch

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

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

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

Minutes: Just moved and Solberg seconded to approve the August 14 & 28, 2023 minutes. All voted aye.

Liquor: Lekness presented the August 2023 liquor report and provided information on security system and signage.

Liquor Store Security System: Appel moved and German seconded to accept estimate from Safe-N-Secure in the amount of \$12,269.48 to install new camera security system at Liquor Store. All voted aye.

Liquor Property Survey: German moved and Stapleton seconded to have property at Liquor Store surveyed in order to determine placement of signage. All voted aye.

Police: Croymans reported on police department and discussed ordering vehicle. Authorization to order new patrol vehicle will be included on the October meeting agenda.

Mayor Jaspers reported on SD Police Commission introducing a rule change to consider allowing in specific circumstances sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 21.

Street/Safety: Doud reported for the street department.

Malt Beverage License Public Hearing: At 7:00 p.m. a public hearing was held for 2023-2024 retail on-off sale malt beverage & SD farm wine licenses. There was no public input. Randolph moved and Stapleton seconded to approve the 2023-2024 retail on-off sale malt beverage & SD farm wine applications as follows:

Comes Investment, Inc. (Pizza Hut) and Hwy 10 Casino II.
All voted aye.

Building Permits: Council received a list of the following building permits that have been approved: 2023-24 GROW SD, 2023-25 GROW SD

Finance Report: Randolph moved and Solberg seconded to approve the August 2023 finance report. All voted aye.

Water/Sewer: Spencer reported for the water and sewer department. Hydrant flushing will begin in early October.

Travel: German moved and Solberg seconded to approve travel for G.Spencer to attend Wastewater Treatment Workshop in Spearfish, SD on November 14-16, 2023. All voted aye.

Leif Redinger with Helms & Associates provided an update on the Water Treatment Plant Project. Estimated completion date at this time is November 1, 2023.

Stanek Constructors Pay Request #10: Appel moved and Randolph seconded to approve pay request #10 submitted by Stanek Constructors in the amount of \$199,182.00 for the Water Treatment Plant Project. All voted aye.

Stanek Constructors Change Order #1: Stapleton moved and German seconded to approve Change Order #1 submitted by Stanek Constructors for the Water Treatment Plant Project conditional upon approval of Stanek and signed off by Helms & Associates. Change Order will increase the total Contract Price by \$56,990.85 for a new total Contract Price of \$4,187,745.85. All voted aye.

Stanek Constructors Change Order #2: No action at this time by Council on Change Order #2 submitted by Stanek Construction. Council is willing to allow a time extension for completion of the Water Treatment Plant Project but not to increase the Contract Price due to winter work.

Public Comment: None

Visitors:

Markus Tracy, Artist in Residence – Sisseton Arts Council and Nicholas Blaske, Executive Director of Sisseton Area Chamber, SEDC and Promotion Board, addressed Council regarding possible use of lot where Senior Center was located on Veterans Ave. There is community interest in developing the area into a park. There are possible grant opportunities to help fund the project.

An Art Alley Gallery is in the works for the alley of First Savings Bank and the Fire Hall. Council was in agreement to allow placement of benches in the alley to allow for seating to view art work.

GROW SD Asphalt Replacement: Grow SD made a request that the City pay for asphalt replacement for the two locations in Cedar Heights where new homes will be located and excavation in the street is required to connect sewer service line to city main. Randolph moved and Stapleton seconded to pay expense of asphalt replacement for connection to sewer main for new homes developed by Grow SD in Cedar Heights. All voted aye.

Resolution 2023-6: German moved and Just seconded to approve Resolution 2023-6 as follows: BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Sisseton, South Dakota in a regular meeting assembled that the plat of Lot 13, Block 1 of Ackerman's 1st Addition in the NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 33, T126N, R51W of the 5th P.M., in the City of Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 11th day of September 2023 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL Chapter 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dated at Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota this 11th day of September 2023.

All voted aye.

Resolution 2023-7: German moved and Appel seconded to approve Resolution 2023-7 as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Sisseton, South Dakota in a regular meeting assembled that the plat of Otto-Quande Post 50 Tank Park located in the SW1/4 of Section 27, T126N, R51W, of the 5th P.M., in the City of Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota be approved this 11th day of September 2023 in accordance with the provisions of SDCL Chapter 11-3 and all acts amendatory thereto.

Dated at Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota this 11th day of September 2023.

All voted aye.

Resolution 2023-8: German moved and Appel seconded to approve Resolution 2023-8 as follows:

WHEREAS, We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we are the absolute and unqualified owner(s) of Lot A in a portion of South Dakota Highway 10 Right-of-Way located in the SW1/4 of Section 27, T126N, R51W of the 5th P.M. as filed in Cab 2A Page U-17 on the 10th of October 2018; and abandoned by the South Dakota Transportation Commission as filed in M93 Page 295-296 on July 27, 2020 and have caused the same to be vacated; and

WHEREAS, We further certify that the above described property was surveyed and platted at our request and under our direction and that the development of the land shall conform to all existing applicable zoning, subdivision and erosion and sediment control regulations; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Sisseton, South Dakota, said property as surveyed and platted shall be hereafter known as Otto-Quande Post 50 Tank Park located in the SW1/4 of Section 27, T126N, R51W, of the 5th P.M., in the City of Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota.

Dated at Sisseton, Roberts County, South Dakota this 11th day of September 2023.

All voted aye.

Ordinance 690: Stapleton moved and Randolph seconded to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance 690 the 2024 appropriation ordinance. Upon roll call vote, voting aye were Appel, Just, Stapleton, Solberg, Randolph and German. Motion carried.

Information/Discussion: Council discussed updating ordinances regarding street and public ground excavation and private repairs to water/sewer services.

Regular October City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023.

Council discussed cost estimates received to install fuel tanks at City Hall and City Shop. Due to the high cost involved, contact will be made with local vendors to inquire about possible city discount at pump.

There may be an issue involving non-conforming use properties that will be discussed at a later date when City Attorney is in attendance.

Council is invited to the First District Association of Local Governments annual picnic on September 28, 2023.

Mayor/Council Report: German reported on plans for demolition of Tribal properties on Veterans Ave. and old Carnegie Library building. German will inquire with Tribe on plans to install fence and egress windows at the homeless shelter.

Randolph inquired about status of properties.

Just inquired about bathroom improvements at the parks.

Jaspers reported on input from pilot regarding appreciation of courtesy car at airport. Still working on getting price from contractor for shop siding. Housing Study meeting took place at City Hall. Jaspers will reach out to Grow SD to see if there is interest in development of apartment complex.

Adjourn: Randolph moved and Appel seconded to adjourn. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Amber Kemnitz, Finance Officer