

The January 10, 2024, Regular Trustee Meeting was called to order by Acting President Craig Hibbs at 7:00 PM in the City Office at Pickstown, SD.

Present: Craig Hibbs, Brenton Fuchs, Dennis Nielsen, Finance Officer Carol Berndt, Maintenance Mark Fortuna, Zia Zoom Cindy Broyhill. Absent: Waldon Olson.

The conflict-of-interest statement was read. The city of Pickstown follows the provisions of SD Codified Law, Chapter 6-1, as well as the provisions of 5-18A and other applicable laws regarding conflict of interest for municipal officials.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to approve the agenda. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Input: None.

Motion by Fuchs, seconded by Nielsen to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2023, Regular Trustee Meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Broyhill, seconded by Nielsen to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2023, Special Trustee Meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Presentation of Claims: **Payroll:** Finance Office \$3,193.39 (Wages), Maintenance Dept \$3,814.38 (Wages), Parks Dept. \$178.69 (Wages), IRS \$2,263.50 (Withholding), SD Retirement System \$1,141.50 (Retirement). **General Fund:** Bomgaars \$11.99 (supplies), C & B Equipment \$884.97 (Gator Repair), Commercial State Bank \$3,816.45 (payment), District 3 \$445.00 (2024 Dues), Ft. Randall Telephone \$134.84 (Office phone), Health Pool of SD \$3,052.72 (Insurance), Lake Andes Coop \$1,012.50 (Propane), Myers Sanitation \$73.00 (Collection fee), Office Products \$35.00 (Service Contract), Pheasantland Ind \$130.33 (3yrs Golf cart tags), Unemployment Ins \$2.80 (4th quarter payment), VISA \$389.13 (Microsoft, Gas, supplies), Wagner Building Supply \$841.93 (supplies drinking fountain), Wagner Post \$77.71 (publishing), Whalen Law \$675.00 (retainer, Dec. hours), Williams Comp Service \$125.00 (Nov-Dec support). **Water Fund:** Dept of Rev. \$15.00 (Water sample), Randall Community Water \$4,016.20 (Water), VISA \$9.25 (batteries). **Electric Fund:** Border States \$592.62 (supplies), Commercial State Bank \$25.00 (ACH Fee), Charles Mix Electric \$325.00 (Stand-by Fee) \$498.10 (service call), Dept. of Revenue \$1,295.64 (Sales Tax), Eaton \$1,070.00 (Support), Mark Gau \$150.00 (Rebate), MRES \$14,600.62 (current month)SD Municipal Electric Assoc. \$324.00 (2024 Dues), SD One Call \$13.65 (locates), VISA \$687.40 (Postage). **Sewer Fund:** Brosz \$1,447.00 (Administrative fees). Total Claims \$47,369.81.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Hibbs to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Nielsen seconded by Fuchs to approve the Financial Reports for December 2023. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fortuna gave an update on current projects. We discussed the possible trade of the Gator, which is the primary vehicle he uses.

Fortuna explained the agreement with DRG for electrical work. He is looking at doing an alternate feed into town and getting overhead lines from the substation into town underground.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to approve Broyhill signing the agreement and task order with DGR Engineering. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hibbs, seconded by Nielsen to approve the Maintenance Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Motion by Hibbs, seconded by Broyhill to table reviewing Chapter 152 of the Code of Ordinance Book to February. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to approve Commercial State Bank as official depository. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuchs, seconded by Nielsen to declare the Wagner Post as the official newspaper. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to reappoint Finance Officer Berndt as the District III Representative. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Broyhill, seconded by Fuchs to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION #2024-01
SETTING WATER RATES**

WHEREAS, Pickstown Ordinance 2022-227 authorizes the Board of Trustees to establish rates and charges for utility services provided by the city; and

WHEREAS, rates need to be considered on a regular basis to keep increases to a minimum yet providing enough revenue to ensure that the Water Fund is operating in the black.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees, Pickstown, South Dakota that the following rates are hereby adopted:

Monthly Base Rate

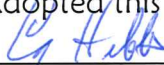
The monthly base rate will be charged regardless of the amount of water used. The following monthly base rate is hereby set: Base Rate \$32.00

Per Thousand Gallon Charge

Customers will be charges are a rate of \$4.75 per thousand, and a bulk rate of \$8.50 per thousand

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above rates will be effective beginning with the March 2024 utility bill.

Adopted this 10th day of January, 2024.



Craig Hibbs

Acting President Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Carol Berndt
Finance Officer

Voting in favor: Broyhill, Hibbs, Fuchs, and Nielsen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hibbs, seconded by Nielsen to set the City Election for April 9, 2024. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to appoint the following people to the Election Board, Mary Crabtree (Superintendent), Nadine Strivens, Arliss Eggena, and Maragret Reiser (alternate). All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fuchs to set a Public Hearing for February 14, 2024 at 7:00 for Liquor License Transfer for Knothead's Bar and Bait Shop. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Hibbs to go into Executive session at 7:50 pm for the purpose of wage discussion and legal updates. All voted aye. Motion carried.

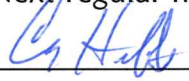
The board was out of Executive session at 8:03 pm.

Motion by Fuchs, seconded by Nielsen to approve the following payroll resolution. Per SDCL 6-1-10 a complete listing of all the salaries for all officers and employees of the municipality shall be published in the minutes of the first meeting following the beginning of the year. Board President \$120.00/meeting, Trustees \$100.00/meeting, Mark Fortuna \$32.24/hour, and Carol Berndt \$24.96/hour, Rodney Neiss \$18.00/hr. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hibbs, seconded by Fuchs to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Next regular meeting will be February 14, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the City Office.



Craig Hibbs
Acting President, Board of Trustees



Carol Berndt
Finance Officer

Publish once at the total approximate cost of \$ _____