

The minutes of the November 4, 2024 White Lake City council meeting:  
 Roll Call has 3 council members present, 1 absent. A quorum was declared. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Janice Thiry at 7:00 pm.  
 Conflict of Interest: None declared

Reeves moves that to approve the agenda with a request from Schroeder to update the council on status of East Main alley drainage issues under Old Business. Lingle seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

Lingle moves that to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

**Public Comments were invited.** No comments received

**Committee Reports:**

The Financial Report as of 10/31/24 was reviewed. Checkbook-\$42,003.02; Savings-\$142,243.85; Reserve Funds-\$114,761.22; Library Board Fund-\$6,534.40. The Daycare P&L was reviewed. The finance officer advised the council of a vendor bill that was received by the City of White Lake for a charge made by a resident for his personal purchase of supplies. The FO contacted the vendors. The city was unaware of this purchase, we did not authorize the charge, and the person making the charge is not an employee of the city or hired contractor for the City of White Lake. The city cannot assume debt for any other business or individuals, so the city will not be paying the bill. FO was advised to contact the city lawyer regarding a building permit violation. The issue of overhanging trees obstructing street corners and signs was addressed. Council members will contact property owners with trees or shrubs that are on their property or abuts their property to trim the branches. Letters will be sent to all residents with damaged water shut off valves and without curb water shut off valves. They will be advised that they will be required to allow the city to locate the valve and have it repaired or replaced. A contested bill that was sent for an afterhours non-emergency water turn on was considered by the council. After discussion, it will remain as billed. The city will serve cookies and refreshments after the parade of lights at the fire hall on December 7.

Reeves moves that to approve the presented vouchers to be paid. Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

**November 4 vouchers in the amount of \$26,130.89:**

Aflac Dental & Vision	Employee insurance premiums	\$117.72
Aurora Brule Rural Water	Monthly Water Purchase	\$5,540.00
Austin Moore	Refund Utility credit	\$51.00
Badger Meter	Beacon utility support fee	\$115.50
Banyon Data Systems	Utility Billing annual support fee	\$1,035.00
Book Systems, Inc.	Library Atrium Annual subscription renewal	\$1,210.00
CHS	LP Budget Billing	\$510.00
Code Enforcement Specialists	for Services 10/1/24-10/31/24	\$677.76
Henke Tractor Repair	Lawn Mower supplies; shop tools	\$589.92
Jake's Corner	Govt. vehicle gas/diesel	\$163.09
Janice Thiry	Monthly Mayor allowance	\$100.00
Konechne Hardware	Shop tools; park, pool, sewer supplies	\$150.11
L&L Sanitation	November garbage collection	\$95.00
McLeod's	Office supplies	\$194.85
Menards	Govt. vehicle supplies	\$111.63
Midstate Communications	Monthly telephone & internet billing	\$358.21
Northwest Pipe Fittings	Sewer & Water supplies	\$1,556.14
Northwestern Energy	Monthly Electrical Billing, Public Works computer	\$2,454.55
Postmaster	Utility billing postage	\$112.00
Public Health Laboratory	Monthly & Qtrly water sample fee	\$361.00
Ron's Market	Daycare Food & Supplies; Promote the city	\$347.42
SDML WC	Annual Workers Compensation Insurance	\$5,913.00
SDRS	Monthly employee retirement contribution	\$1,851.36
Sun*Flowers Ect.	Promoting the City	\$79.65
White Lake School	Monthly Daycare Lunch contract purchases	\$1,046.25
Zach Scott Construction	Meter for ball field sprinkler system	\$1,389.73

**Paid Bills in Between October 1-31 in the amount of \$29,318.82:**

Aflac	Monthly Insurance Premiums	\$366.20
Cell Phone Expense	Employee monthly cell phone reimbursement	\$96.96
City of White Lake	Water Utility billing	\$469.06
Daycare	Payroll	\$9,913.46
FM Bank	ACH Service Fees, FO Supplies	\$52.97
FM Bank Visa	G Vehi gas; shop supplies; Daycare fee, Promo City	\$1,240.34
FM Bank-Loan	Maintenance Shop Loan	\$1,384.78
Finance Office	Payroll	\$2,203.11
IRS	October Federal Tax Deposit	\$3,804.20
Lease Servicing Center, Inc.	Monthly Payloader Loan Payment	\$1,108.28
Library	Payroll	\$678.56
Mileage	Employee Travel Expense	\$65.51
National Rural Water Association	Monthly Water Tower Loan payment	\$859.27
Sewer	Payroll	\$1,516.89
Streets	Payroll	\$1,440.66
SD Dept of Labor	Qtrly Unemployment Insurance	\$166.68
Supplies and Misc.	Employee reimbursement	\$
USDA RD	Monthly Water & Main Street loan payments	\$2,435.00
Water	Payroll	\$1,516.89

**Old Business:** Lingle moves that to counter offer Verizon’s proposal for a possible settlement for the tower located on city property to \$95,000.00-Lump sum or \$100,000.00 over five (5) years at \$20,000.00 per year. Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried. Schroeder moves that to accept the request from the Memorial Plaza committee for the city to take over the operations of the Plaza and to transfer the Memorial Plaza Fund account to the City of White Lake as a restricted cash account. Lingle seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried. The Memorial Plaza committee is dissolving their organization. Lingle gave a report on a proposed PTO Policy for the city employees. Vote to accept is tabled until the December meeting. Schroeder gave a report on a possible solution for the drainage issues in the alley behind the East Main businesses. He was directed to contact Midstate, and to report back at the December meeting. Schroeder moves that to approve the ‘resolution to vacate street’. Reeves seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE VACATION OF A CERTAIN PORTION OF E. 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET WHICH ABUTS LOT 10-12 BLOCK 27 DC GILLIS 2<sup>ND</sup> ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WHITE LAKE. The original plat of this portion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to be vacated is recorded in Book D page 17 White Lake, Aurora County, South Dakota. WHEREAS, Dylan Mohnen who requested the petition to vacate, will be responsible for all costs and fees associated with this street vacation. A signed petition has been received by the owner of the property adjoining the part of the street to be vacated.

WHEREAS, The City of White Lake affirms that the provision for vacation of this section of E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street is based on “not in use for twenty years” as found in SDCL 9-45-10 and 9-45-11.

1<sup>st</sup> Publication: 11/13/24

2<sup>nd</sup> Publication: 11/20/24

A public hearing will be held on December 9, 2024 beginning at 7:00pm for the approval of the vacation petition and for any persons who object to the proposed vacation.

**New Business:** Lingle moves to approve the resolution, “The City of White Lake moves to vacate the Old City Shop stall at 207 N. Main St. Whereas this building is owned by the City of White Lake and we authorize the White Lake City Volunteer Fire Department future use of that space and authorize them to remodel that space. All costs involved with the remodel will be paid by the White Lake City Volunteer Fire Department.” Reeves seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried. Schroeder moves that to approve the statement of extension and to take part in the District III program for 2025. Lingle seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried. Lingle moves to accept the resignation of Finance Officer Barb Simpson. Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried. Reeves moves that to approve the advertisement for the finance officer position and to place ads in the Standard, The Rocket and put on social media. Lingle seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

Lingle moves that to adjourn the meeting at 8:41pm. Reeves seconded the motion. Mayor declares all ayes, motion is carried.

The next regular council meeting is scheduled December 9, 2024 at 7:00pm in the White Lake City Hall/Library. There also will be a special council meeting scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2024 to complete 2024 business.

These minutes are published as unapproved.

Mayor

Finance Officer

Janice Thiry

Barb Simpson

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