

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAGNER, CHARLES MIX COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, DECEMBER 11, 2024, AT 6:00 PM.**

**PURSUANT TO DUE CALL AND NOTICE THEREOF**, the Special meeting of the council was held Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at City Hall at 6:00 pm. Present were Tammy Thornton-Mayor, City Administrator Debbra Houseman, Councilmen: Tom Abdouch, Dan Cimpl, Mieke Slaba, Gene Niehus, Brenda Jatón, and Taylor Mohr present at 6:10 pm. Others present were Patrick Glover, Mae Pochop, Eric Kotab, Jamie Tjeerdsma, Carly Schoenfelder, Darcy Kaberna, Margaret Doom, Susan Rasmussen, Seth Lopour.

Mayor Thornton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Council stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Thornton asked if there were any conflicts of interest with regards to any agenda items. No conflicts were stated.

The agenda was presented, Mayor Thornton stated that the public comment portion of the meeting will be moved to after the executive session on the agenda. Thornton called for a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of order. Motion by Slaba, second by Jatón to approve the agenda as amended. All in favor, motion carried. Mohr absent.

Motion by Abdouch, second by Cimpl to go into executive session at 6:01 pm in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2 (1). All in favor, motion carried. Mohr absent.

Entering executive session was Mayor Thornton, Dan Cimpl, Mieke Slaba, Tom Abdouch, Gene Niehus, Brenda Jatón, Debbra Houseman, Mae Pochop, Patrick Glover.

Taylor Mohr entered the executive session at 6:10 pm.

Mae Pochop and Patrick Glover left Executive Session at 6:45 pm.

6:55 pm Susan Rasmussen and Seth Lopour entered executive session.

Mohr left the meeting at 7:28 pm.

Mayor Thornton declared the council out of executive session at 7:45 pm.

The council entertained a brief recess.

Mayor Thornton called the meeting back into session at 7:48 pm.

Mayor Thornton opened the floor for public comment.

Erica Kotab was present for public comment. Kotab thanked everyone who has supported their pool fundraising effort. Kotab stated that the pool project is about more than the pool. It's about community coming together for the effort. Kotab stated that she hopes that Wagner will be a place that people want to make their home. Kotab feels that the city leadership is sending a message that they do not support the pool project fundraising efforts. Kotab feels that the City Leadership is rallying in the opposite direction.

Darcy Kaberna stated that she is a realist and knows that the cost of the pool is more than what the committee has raised. She stated that the committee has spent 100's of hours fund raising and Covid set their effort back. Kaberna pleaded that the council delay any decision regarding the restricted pool money until after the Stakeholders meeting on January 23, 2025.

Carly Schoenfelder stated that she had lived all over the United States and has come to call Wagner home. She stated she sees a lot of positive things for the Wagner Community. She feels that the pool project is one of those positive things and also asked that the council wait to make a decision until after the Stakeholders Meeting January 23, 2025.

Jamie Tjeerdsma stated that she wanted to thank the council members who have supported the fundraising efforts. Tjeerdsma stated that the \$1,000,000 was designated for a pool project regardless of what the law says and the time frame. Tjeerdsma stated that the pool committee feels left out of the process. She stated that during the December 2, 2204, meeting the council agreed to participate in the Stakeholders regarding he pool project, and she asks that the council make no decision without hearing the public a the Stakeholders meeting. She stated that people who have donated money as memorials etc. donated the funds for a new pool. People also donated based on the city match.

The Bills Claims were presented and reviewed by the council. Motion by Niehus, second by Slaba to approve payment of the Bills and Claims as follows:

**Claims Presented for payment for the month of December 2024:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
12/11/2024	Barbara LeBeau	Return Water Deposit at 401 SW Hickory Ave	\$ 67.46
	Bomgaars	Supplies	\$ 245.99
	Bouza Construction	Shopp Heater	\$ 1,986.26
	CHS Inc	Propane	\$ 1,008.80
	Code Enforcement Specialist	Code Enforcement invoice	\$ 838.48
	Core & Main	Meters, supplies and Command Link	\$ 3,554.00
	Daves Service	Tire Repair	\$ 25.00
	Electric Pump	Lift Station Pump	\$ 3,180.41
	J&J Sanitation	Sanitation Service	\$ 1,348.75
	King Koin	Rugs for the Building	\$ 86.25
	Pechous Publications	Publishing costs	\$ 1,216.81
	Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	Charges for postage	\$ 989.33
	Quill Corporation	Supplies	\$ 189.49
	SD Dept of Natural Resources	NPDES Municipal	\$ 50.00
	SD Municipal League	Registration for Fall Conference	\$ 140.00
	Unum Life Insurance Company	Disability Insurance	\$ 374.09
	Wagner Building & Supply	Supplies	\$ 23.39
	Wagner Super Foods	Open House Supplies	\$ 105.41
<b>Total :</b>			<b>\$ 15,429.92</b>

All in favor, motion carried.

The council held the second reading of the Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance #2024-007. The council was informed that an amendment was made so the ordinance will require a third reading which will happen on December 16, 2024. Changes were noted from the previous reading. Motion by Jatón, second by Abdouch to approve the second Reading as follows:

**Ordinance No. 2024-007**

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Wagner

that the sum is supplementally appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality.

**General Fund**

E-101-41210	Mayor	\$	8,500.00
E-101-43100	Elections	\$	1,500.00
E-101-41410	Legal	\$	10,000.00
E-101-42900	Civil Defense	\$	2,500.00
E-101-43120	Streets	\$	320,000.00
E-101-43160	Street Lighting	\$	5,000.00
E-101-44130	Mosquito Control	\$	2,500.00
E-101-45660	Armory	\$	35,000.00
E-101-46300	HRC-Urban Redevelopment	\$	5,000.00
E-101-46520	Planning Zoning	\$	10,000.00
<b>Total General Fund Appropriations \$</b>			<b>400,000.00</b>

**Source of Funding**

R-101- General Unobligated cash	\$	13,340.61
E-101-41150-42900 Contingency	\$	66,659.39
R-101-33400 State Grants	\$	320,000.00
<b>Total General Fund Means of Finance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>400,000.00</b>

The Finance Officer/City Administrator is directed to implement the funds necessary for the enforcement of this Ordinance.

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Mayor Tammy Thornton

ATTEST:

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Debra Houseman, Finance Officer/City Administrator

First Reading: December 2, 2024

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mohr, Jatton, Niehus, Cimpr, Slaba, Abdouch

Nays: None

Absent: None

Second Reading: December 11, 2024

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Jatton, Niehus, Cimpr, Slaba, Abdouch

Nays: None

Absent: Mohr

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Motion carried to pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of the Supplemental Appropriations on its second reading by a unanimous vote.

Information was shared with the council regarding the money designated to the pool committee. Resolution #2017-05 was discussed and the 60-month time frame that is stated in the Resolution. The June 2022 minutes were also discussed where a motion was passed extending the reserving of the funds. Houseman stated that she would like to give this information over to legal council to determine how the council moves forward if the motion in June 2022 satisfies the legal requirements or if an additional Resolution will need to be passed. Abdouch and Cimpr both stated that the money was set aside for the pool, and they will not support using that money for any other project.

Motion by Niehus, second by Cimpr to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

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Tammy Thornton, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbra J. Houseman, City Administrator/ Finance Officer