

TYNDALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 1, 2021

Mayor Mike Elsberry called the March 1, 2021 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Tyndall Community Auditorium. Present for the meeting were councilmen Ranek, Skorpik, Chester, Soukup and Travnick. Councilman Stoebner was absent. Also present were city employees Dick Jones, Kelly Young and Linda Pesek; city attorney Lisa Rothschadl; reporter Becky Tycz; public guests Jamie Muller, Brad Kopp, Mike Schmidt, Ron and Janet Wagner, Jeff Honner and Wendy Hicks.

Added agenda items: Mayor Elsberry read a letter of resignation from Councilman Mark Stoebner effective immediately.

Moved by Travnick, second by Soukup to approve the minutes of the February 1 meeting. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Fuel quotes for March: Schmidt's Service: Ethanol, Unleaded, Dyed Diesel #1, Dyed Diesel #2, Clear Diesel #1 and Clear Diesel #2, \$.08/gallon off pump price; Central Farmers Cooperative: Ethanol, \$2.59/gal.; Unleaded, \$2.87/gal.; Dyed Diesel #1, \$2.72/gal.; Dyed Diesel #2, \$2.41/gal.; Clear Diesel #1, \$2.98/gal.; Clear Diesel #2, \$2.70/ gal. Moved by Travnick, second by Skorpik to approve all quotes and purchase gas and diesel from the supplier with the lowest pump price. All voting aye. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Moved by Ranek, second by Travnick to approve the claims. All voting aye. Motion carried.

A-Ox Welding, ambulance/shop supplies, \$204.46; Appera, towel/mop service, \$56.44; AT&T Mobility, cell phone service, \$146.79; B & H Publishing, public notices, advertising, \$248.34; Bon Homme Pharmacy, ambulance supplies, \$20.15; Bob Brattmiller, cell phone use; snowplow skids, \$88.89; Brent Bult, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Franklin bult, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Daniel Bures, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; B-Y Water District, February water, \$5440.50; Cahoy's General Store, supplies, \$12.24; Card Services, supplies, \$1911.63; Central Farmers coop, gas treatment, fuel, \$863.00; Clean-Flo International, aerator pump maintenance kit, \$239.58; Country Ford, ambulance maintenance, \$73.07; Crescent Electric, supplies, \$516.04; Cody Cuka, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Dustin Cuka, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Dept. of Revenue, water testing, \$30.00; Dr. James Torsney, frame replacement, \$135.00; Dakota Supply Group, supplies, \$1307.59; First Advantage, random CDL testing, \$29.35; Ft. Randall Telephone, phone service, \$483.47; Frontline Plus Fire & Rescue, annual maintenance contract, \$250.00; Great America Leasing, copier rent, \$71.80; Zach Heesch, cell phone use, \$25.00; Jeff Honner, cell phone use, \$25.00; Cole Humpal, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Dick Jones, cell phone use, \$25.00; Skylor Knakmuhs, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Mark's Machinery, skid loader repairs, \$492.29; Brian McGuire, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Jacob Milbrandt, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Muller Repair, fire equipment maintenance, \$152.00; James Muller, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; National Rural Water Assn., loan payment, \$966.61; Olson's Pest Technicians, rodent control, \$82.00; Mike Peschl, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Kaitlyn Petersen, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Pioneer Research, chemicals for lift stations, \$228.40; Don Putnam, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Edward Radack, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Brett Rathgeber, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Schmidt's Service, supplies, \$220.56; Schuurmans Farm Supply, compressor oil, \$25.98; South Dakota One Call, locates, \$2.10; SD State Treasurer, February sales tax, \$7756.80; Skarshaug Testing Lab, electric glove testing, \$121.36; Stan Houston Equipment, high pressure pump, \$680.00; Michael Stainbrook, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Kevin Stepka, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Joe Szathmary, COVID bonus, \$1000.00;

Eric Tycz, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Glenn Tycz, COVID bonus, \$1000.00; Tyndall Ace Hardware, supplies, \$251.35; City of Tyndall, meter deposit on act-D Porras, \$250.00; meter deposit on act-P Marsh, \$150.00; utilities, \$5996.00; meter deposit on act-T Gangone, \$150.00; Tyndall Motors, oil change, \$60.23; Tyndall NAPA, repairs, \$327.95; Wesco, supplies, \$190.65; One Office Solution, office supplies, \$478.38; Williams Sanitation, garbage service, \$202.00; Zieser-Rothschadl Law Firm, attorney fee, \$130.00.

February payroll: Mayor & Council, \$821.15; Auditor, \$2632.64; Public Buildings, \$934.42; Police, \$5512.35; Streets, \$2836.37; Ambulance, \$6535.60; Library, \$935.29; Water, \$1174.50; Light Plant, \$5179.02; Sewer, \$1174.59; SDRS, \$3847.00; SDSRP, \$400.00; Wellmark, \$7695.81; Aflac, \$484.50; VSP, \$121.59; Delta Dental, \$396.00, IRS, \$8535.22.

Committee Reports: Councilman Ranek asked that something be done with the trash from the Jason Johnson property that blew across the street onto property owned by Lowell Nelson. Moved by Ranek, second by Soukup to have Tyndall Police Department talk to Mr. Johnson to have it cleaned up. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Councilman Skorpik reported on a zoom meeting held with John Clem from District III and Eric Elsberry, Bon Homme County Zoning Administrator. The purpose of the meeting was to start updating the Predisaster Mitigation Plan for the city.

Mayor Elsberry reported he was contacted by Reed McKee from Northwestern Natural Gas. He also reported the City of Chamberlain signed the joint powers agreement with Northwestern. He told McKee that the City of Tyndall has no intention of signing the joint powers agreement at this time due to a lack of information.

Moved by Skorpik, second by Travnicek to advertise for summer employees. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Travnicek, second by Ranek to approve Resolution 21-01 Disposal of Surplus Property. All voting aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 21-01

WHEREAS, the City of Tyndall has surplus property

Be It Resolved that in accordance with SDCL 6-13-1 the following described personal property:

Scrap iron, copper, wire, aluminum, iron, brass, culverts

Belonging to the City of Tyndall, SD the same hereby declared to be no longer necessary, useful or suitable for municipal purposes.

Be It Further Resolved that said property be sold as scrap and the funds derived from the sale be receipted to the fund from which the items were originally purchase.

Mike Elsberry, Mayor

Linda F Pesek, Finance Officer

Moved by Chester, second by Soukup to pay \$1000 each in COVID funds to all fulltime city employees, firemen and EMT's and \$500 to each parttime employee. All voting aye. Motion carried.

A quote from Sander's Refrigeration for the replacement of a gas furnace and air conditioner in the Tyndall Auditorium was discussed. Moved by Ranek, second by Soukup to approve the quote from Sander's Refrigeration for \$9885.00 to replace one gas furnace and one air conditioner unit in the Tyndall Auditorium. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Brad Cameron, from Cameron Insurance, presented the council with the annual renewal of city employees health insurance. The renewal premium increased 20.19%. Single coverage: \$1027.71; Family coverage, \$2569.37. The increased premium will be an additional \$1554 per month. Cameron presented other health insurance plans for comparison but the out-of-pocket maximum would increase to \$5000. Moved by Travnicek, second by Ranek to approve the renewal of the current Wellmark policy. All voting aye. Motion carried.

A contract with Schoenfish Co. for the city's two-year audit was presented to the council for their approval. Moved by Ranek, second by Chester to approve the contract with Schoenfish Co for the city's two-year audit. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Skorpik, second by Soukup to advertise for street improvements. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Skorpik, second by Travnicek to declare a 1-1/4" high pressure water pump as surplus and sell on Peterson's consignment auction on March 6. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Utilities Superintendent Dick Jones asked the council if they were interested in working with Bon Homme County to resurface South Main Street, the section south of Highway 50. The county's highway superintendent estimated it would take 100 tons of asphalt. Jones suggested grinding and reapplying the grindings. Jones was asked to get more information and come up with a plan for the next meeting

It was noted that an abandoned vehicle has been held long enough to dispose of. The owner has asked what it would cost to get his vehicle back. It was decided to charge for towing and storage in the amount of \$350. City attorney Lisa Rothschadl will notify the owner with letter before the city can dispose of the vehicle.

Wendy Hicks asked the council's permission to close off one block of Main Street for a benefit on July 24. Moved by Soukup, second by Chester to approve blocking off Main Street between 17th and 18th Avenues on July 24. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Janet Wagner asked support from the council for a grant application to repair the exterior north wall of the Original Gym on Main Street; leveling and landscaping the lot on the north side of the building and providing drainage of the area; planting trees and adding picnic tables. The cost to fix the wall is estimated at \$17,000. Total cost of the project is \$35,000. Three entities are willing to split the cost. If only the wall is fixed, there would be only two entities splitting the cost. Wagner has contacted Robbie Jelsma about painting a mural on the wall for a cost of \$15,000. There will be a cash match for the grant. Wagner was authorized to proceed with the grant applications.

Ron Wagner reported on the "Feeding SD" program which comes to Tyndall once a month. They serve between 120-130 families each month. Deliveries are made to 20-30 participants who are unable to pick up their boxes for one reason or another. Wagner has been made aware of a federal law which requires participants to pick up their boxes of food in person. Wagner asked the council for a letter of support to change the law requiring in person pick up. Mayor Elsberry will write a letter of support.

City electrical department employee Jeff Honner distributed information and pictures of a 2017 Dodge Ram bucket truck that the City of Winner is surplussing. They are willing to sell it to the City of Tyndall for \$80,00-\$85,000. Moved by Skorpik, second by Ranek to approve of the purchase of a bucket truck from the City of Winner. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Travnicek, second by Chester to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Mike Elsberry, Mayor

Attest: _____
Linda F Pesek, Finance Officer