

April 22nd, 2024

The City Council of the City of Wessington Springs met in special session at the Office of Finance Officer at 6:30 P.M. on Monday, April 22nd, 2024 with the following members being present: Ryan Knipfer, Kari Fagerhaug, Tim Schooler via phone, Vicki Harmdierks, Layton Schimke and Mayor Brian Bergeleen presiding. Also, in attendance was Linda Willman and Gary Blue. Councilman Natasha Waters was absent.

A motion was made by Schimke, seconded by Knipfer to approve the agenda. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Conflicts of Interest: none

Karl Sybesma of A-1 Roofing of Platte met with the Council to discuss the repairs for the City Hall roof.

Mayor Brian Bergeleen announced this was the time and place for public comment.

Becky Brunsing of SD Public Assurance and Lindsey Weich, Betsy Schroeder, and Fred Krohmer of Krohmer Agency met with the Council to discuss the city's annual insurance. Following a discussion, a motion was made by Knipfer, seconded by Schimke to stay with Krohmer Agency for the annual insurance for the City. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Joyce Krueger and Gwyn Fastnacht representing the Park and Rec Committee met with the Council. Following a discussion, a motion was made by Schimke, seconded by Fagerhaug to approve matching funds of \$13,000 for future council approved projects in the park. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Knipfer, seconded by Harmdierks to approve TruGreen to spray the baseball at a cost of \$1,151.00. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the repairs for the water plant.

A motion was made by Schimke, seconded by Fagerhaug to approve the renting of a power washer from CMP Power Washing at a cost of \$50.00 per hour. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A discussion was held on Ordinance #826 for utility rates. Following the discussion, a motion was made by Knipfer, seconded by Harmdierks to approve the start date for the rate for the SRF surcharges to begin on the December bill paid in January of 2025. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

The 2023 annual reports for SRF were presented to the Council. Following a discussion, a motion was made by Knipfer, seconded by Harmdierks to accept the annual reports the will now be submitted to SD DENR. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

The 2023 Annual Report was prepared by the Finance Officer and presented to the Council. As of December 31st, 2023, City Funds of \$3,727,371.05 were deposited in the American Bank and Trust of Wessington Springs. A breakdown of all funds for the City of Wessington Springs is as follows:

American Bank & Trust	\$ 3,774,387.84	General Fund	\$ 698,131.54
Less outstanding warrants	\$ (208,909.79)	Add. Sales Tax	\$ 732,353.27
		Loan reserve	\$ 38,460.00
		Capitol Project	\$.00
Plus outstanding deposits		Water Fund	\$ 62,677.49
		Loan reserve	\$ 7,594.23
Reconciles open account	\$ 3,565,478.05	Electric Fund	\$ 945,179.64
		Elect Bond fund	\$ 32,338.29
Petty Cash	\$ 100.00	Elect Bond res.	\$ 135,305.94
Change Fund	\$ 300.00	Sewer Fund	\$ 793,515.12
Incidental Fund	\$ 500.00	Loan Reserve	\$ 17,746.79
Library Fund	\$ 160,993.00	Utility Deposit	\$ 49,760.79
		Library	\$ 160,993.00
		Employee Flex	\$ 1,314.95
		Self Insurance	\$ 52,000.00
American Bank & Trust Total	\$ 3,727,371.05	Total Funds	\$ 3,727,371.05

A motion was made by Fagerhaug, seconded by Knipfer to accept the annual report. The annual report will now be sent to the Department of Legislative Audit and the newspaper for publication. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fagerhaug, seconded by Knipfer to approve expenses for the SD Code Enforcement Conference in Ft Pierre on May 8th & 9th, 2024. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

A motion was made by Knipfer, seconded by Harmdierks to enter into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (1) Personnel at 8:56 PM. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Council reconvened into regular session at 9:32 PM.

A motion was made by Harmdierks, seconded by Fagerhaug to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 5 Nay: 0 motion carried.

Brian Bergeleen, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda Willman, Finance Office

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