

AVON, SOUTH DAKOTA - October 6, 1997

The regular meeting of the Avon City Council was held on the above date at the Avon Public Library at 7:30 P.M. Roll Call: Mayor Frey, Finance Officer Haenfler, and Alderman Oster, Reister, VanGerpen, Einrem, Knoll and Deurmier. Also present were Roland Luke, Lenny Gramkow, Meredith Buchholz, and Bob Hille.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Frey.

Motion by Reister and seconded by Einrem to approve the agenda as presented.

All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Einrem and seconded by VanGerpen to approve the minutes of the September 3 and 17, 1997 meetings. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment:

CLAIMS FOR OCTOBER 1997

GENERAL FUND:

American Red Cross--certificates	\$ 32.00
Avon Clarion--publication	213.87
Blue Cross of SD--health insurance	1,472.96
Bon Homme Co. Implement--parts	9.30
Brian's Service--tire repair	79.94
Coast to Coast--misc supplies	114.25
Community Bank--ss & wh	1,921.68
Cover to Cover--books	47.99
D & L Oil--antifreeze, gasohol, oil	457.61
Demco--library supplies	162.16
Dept of Revenue--water samples	20.00
Farmers Coop Elevator--spraying	44.40
Go Pro Underwriting Managers--liability insurance	4,707.00
Golden West Co.--telephone	171.07
Jurren's Repair--filters, cable, repairs	269.27
Myers Dray--garbage collection	2,750.00
Myers Dray--dumpster	44.00
Northwestern Public service--electricity	1,068.12
Schultz Building Center--wood, screws, hinges, etc.	174.06
Scoblic Stationers--toner copy machine	342.00
SD Association of Rural Water Systems--registration fee	30.00
SD Retirement--retirement	744.14
Walmart--book	17.48
Salaries--office	511.78
Salaries--library	315.14
Salaries--police	2,266.08
Salaries--streets	1,070.07
Salaries--sanitation	85.61

WATER AND SEWER FUND:

B-Y Water--water	3,000.50
Community Bank--lagoon payment	815.63
Golden West Co.--telephone	51.74
H & H Contracting--sandblasting, painting	18,565.00
Roland Luke--digging	50.00
Revenue & Reserve--transfer	374.17

AMBULANCE FUND:

Comment Cellular--telephone	26.85
D & L Oil--gasohol	41.19
Golden West Co.--telephone	61.90

REVENUE & RESERVE BOND:

General Electric Capitol Corporation--annual payment	4,080.00
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Motion by Eirnem and seconded by Reister to pay the foregoing claims. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

RECEIPTS FOR SEPTEMBER 1997

City of Avon--water	\$ 5,192.55
City of Avon--sewer	1,742.00
City of Avon--garbage	1,408.95
City of Avon--tax	59.94
Gayle Thompson--swimming lessons	709.00
Dept of Revenue--sales tax	6,546.40
Swimming Pool--admissions, concession	62.05
Revenue & Reserve--transfer	374.17
Sally Weber--use of equipment	15.00
Berkley Administration--reimbursement	372.00
Postmaster--refund trust account	58.77
Gary STrenstrom--accident report	4.00
Junior Schaefer--water deposit	25.00
Medicare B (John Scherer)--ambulance service	41.20
Patrick Mikkonen--dance permit	8.00
Community Bank--interest	2,105.72
Bon Homme County Treasurer--general	770.01
25% HBR	14.16
12% Municipality	179.92

Motion by Einrem and seconded by Reister to accept the receipts as presented. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Frey received a complaint about speeding traffic on Railway Street. There was concern about the small children that live in the area. The Council agreed to place a watch for children sign up on Railway Street. Another complaint was received about the speeding traffic on 4th Street between Main Street and Poplar Street. There are yield signs up at the present time. The Council agreed to change the yield signs to stop signs at the intersection of 4th Street and Hickory Street and to put a stop sign on corner of Main Street and 4th Street.

Mayor Frey informed the Council that the Historical Society has applied for the Deadwood Grant, which is a grant for \$10,000.00 for remodeling and/or repairs for a building, as to prior approval of the Council at the September meeting.

Mayor Frey had some information from Petrik Sanitation out of Wagner. Petrik would like to put a box in the City of Avon for recycling. Petrik will be invited to the November meeting to discuss recycling with the Council.

Mayor Frey informed the Council that the water meter reading is almost complete.

Finance Officer Haenfler gives Ordinance #257 entitled "1998 Annual Appropriation

Ordinance" it's second reading. Motion by Oster and seconded by Reister to approve the second reading of Ordinance #257 as read. Roll Call vote: Oster, Reister, Einrem, VanGerpen, Knoll and Deurmier all voted "aye". None voted "naye". Motion carried.

Meredith Buchholz addressed the Council about the Ferrellgas transport going out empty on Walnut Street. Buchholz informed the Council it was very hard for the transport to turn around and the truck is backing from the Ferrellgas Office to the gas plant.

Motion by Oster and seconded by Deurmeir to allow the Ferrellgas transport truck to go out of town empty down Walnut Street. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Oster and seconded by Deurmier to go into executive session at 8:00 P.M. all voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Oster and seconded by Reister to come out of executive session at 8:04 P.M. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Lenny Gramkow handed in his resignation to the Council. The Council accept his resignation with regret and thanked him for his service to the City of Avon.

Police Chief Luke discussed with the Council if they intended to advertise and hire an officer to finish out the Cops Fast Grant. The Council discussed several different options.

Motion by Knoll and seconded by Reister to advertise for a certified preferred officer. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Police Cheif Luke informed the Council of a Community Policing School in Omaha that Luke should attend.

Motion by Oster and seconded by Reister to send Police Chief Luke to Police school in Omaha on November 12 and 13. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Bob Hille from H & H Contracting showed the Council some of the parts he had replaced and how bad the old parts were. Hille also informed the Council the bolts on the roof need to be replaced, the spyder rods replaced, and a sump hole put in. The Council agreed to wait until next year when the tank needs cleaning to do the above repairs. The watertower is not quit fininshed but should be completed by the end of the week.

Discussion of the new development was held. It was decided to have Alderman Oster put together on paper a report with approximate cost of the water, sewer, and street. When report is ready the Council may call a special meeting to discuss the project.

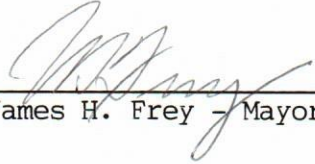
Alderman Einrem addressed the water problem south of town. Einrem felt if the ditch was fill^d in so water could not get to the sewer drain and the ditch along the railroad tracks was cleaned out it would help with the water problem. Finance Officer Haenfler will talk to Attorney Tom Alberts to get the easement to clean the ditch out.

Motion by Einrem and seconded by VanGerpen to send Street and Water Commisiner Kocmich to Wastewater Collection School in Sioux Falls on November 4 and 5. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Finance Officer Haenfler informed the Council there is a state law that when a new water meter is put in or a water meter is taken out a back flow device needs to be put in. The Council felt this was the expense of the property owner.

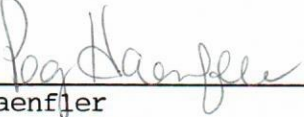
The City of Avon will be receiving a computer from the school in the next few weeks.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, a motion was made by Einrem and seconded by Oster to adjourn at 9:55 P.M. All voted "aye". Motion carried.



James H. Frey - Mayor

ATTEST:



Peg Haenfler
Finance Office
(SEAL)