

AVON, SOUTH DAKOTA – MARCH 4, 2002

A 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, Aldermen: Tjeerdsma, Tolsma, Cameron and Finance Officer Berndt. Also present were Roger Frey and Orval Elliott. Absent: Aldermen Mensch and Kuhlman.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Frey at 7:35 p.m.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Cameron to approve the agenda, with the addition of the Library Board. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Alderman Kuhlman arrived at 7:40 p.m.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Tolsma to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2002 meeting. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Cameron to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2002 meeting. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Tolsma to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2002 meeting with the correction of Dean Dayton of the Department of Legislative Audit not the Municipal League. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The following people arrived at 7:50 p.m. Joanne and Charles Bryan, June Namminga, Joan Hento, JoEllen Wormsbecher, Charmaine Pelton, Alice Johnson, Jack Brodeen, and Russell Bechtold.

The following claims were presented for payment:

GENERAL FUND:

A1 Gas & Go—gasohol	\$	34.40
Avon Clarion—publication	\$	225.68
Blue Cross of SD—health insurance	\$	696.65
Cahoy's Service	\$	61.70
Coast to Coast—misc. supplies	\$	111.18
Community Bank—ss & wh	\$	777.72
Cover to Cover—library books	\$	39.67
Demco – library supplies	\$	125.65
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$	164.93
Ferrellgas – Legion tank	\$	212.25
Jurrens Repair – parts and labor	\$	165.63
Jurrens Electric – fax ribbon and police antenna	\$	68.73
Myers Dray—garbage collection – dumpster	\$	2,771.00
Northwestern Public Service—elec.	\$	1,120.83
SBC – supplies	\$	60.67
Scheetz Implement – mower parts	\$	20.50

Share Corp – Pool chemicals	\$	278.50
SD Retirement—retirement	\$	419.66
State Treasurer—sales tax	\$	109.32
Wal-Mart – library supplies	\$	66.16
Salaries—office	\$	942.89
Salaries—police	\$	1,885.40
Salaries—library	\$	465.44

WATER AND SEWER FUND

APH Wholesale – pipe	\$	77.12
B-Y Water—water	\$	2,112.50
Blue Cross-health insurance	\$	696.65
Dept. of Revenue – water samples	\$	340.00
Community Bank—ss & wh	\$	523.62
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$	100.42
Revenue & Reserve-transfer	\$	374.17
Jurrens Electric – head set	\$	10.00
Office Plus – supplies	\$	69.96
Payer Hardware – UPS shipments	\$	27.23
SD Retirement—retirement	\$	165.64
SBC – lagoon work	\$	326.40
Salaries— water and sewer	\$	1,858.04

AMBULANCE FUND:

A-1 – diesel	\$	23.10
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$	94.69
Verizon Wireless	\$	44.44
Crew for Jan-Feb	\$	285.00

Motion by Kuhlman seconded by Tjeerdsma to pay the foregoing claims. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented for approval:

RECEIPTS FOR FEBRUARY 2002

City of Avon—water	\$	3,984.75
City of Avon –late fee/payments	\$	131.44
City of Avon—sewer	\$	2,038.50
City of Avon—garbage	\$	2,733.00
City of Avon—tax	\$	109.72
Revenue & Reserve—transfer	\$	374.17
Dept. of Revenue—sales tax 1 st Penny	\$	4,458.24
2 nd Penny	\$	3,563.79
SD Judicial System – fines	\$	156.25
Ambulance – Barb Pelton	\$	364.50
Harold Hornstra	\$	143.50
Medicare – JC Kocmich	\$	18.45
Medicare – Melba Ridgway	\$	104.51
Dog Tags	\$	4.25

Bon Homme County Treasurer – general	\$	13,178.18
Mobile home	\$	76.55
Bank Franchise	\$	1,005.70
Motor Vehicle	\$	379.98
Prorate	\$	492.90

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Cameron to accept the foregoing receipts. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

At this time Mayor Frey opened the discussion regarding the library move. Library board member, Joanne Bryan had met with Alderman Tjeerdsma and they had come up with some compromises concerning the move. Alderman Kuhlman suggested waiting until the school had a final plan developed before going ahead with moving the library. The Library Board and some Council members felt that was too far down the road and would like to go ahead and make the move now.

Also the city had received a letter from District III regarding funds for Rural Development Community Facilities Program, which was given to both the Council and Library Board. The city could perhaps receive a 35% grant through the program.

There was discussion on whether or not the finance office should also be moved. Alderman Cameron noted that if both the library and finance office were not moved he didn’t think he could support the move.

Roland Luke arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Tolsma to move the finance office and Library to the BJ’s building. The renovations will include a handicapped unisex restroom. The city has \$10,000.00 budgeted for the project. A grant will be applied for (as of 3/12/02 the grant process was halted, due to engineering requirements and also time constraints). Alderman Tjeerdsma will be the Council representative working with the Library Board on the project. Aldermen Tjeerdsma, Tolsma and Cameron voted “aye”. Alderman Kuhlman voted “nay”. Motion carried.

The Library Board members, JoEllen Wormsbecher and Charles Bryan left at 8:05 p.m.

Finance Officer Berndt presented the council with the 2001 Annual Report. This will be sent to the Legislative Audit as well as published in The Avon Clarion within the

next month. Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tolsma to accept the 2001 Annual report. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tjeerdsma to set the week of April 22-26, 2002 as the Annual City Wide Clean-up Week. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Alderman Mensch arrived at 8:25 p.m.

Motion by Cameron and seconded by Tolsma to run advertisement for Concession Stand bids to be approved at the April meeting. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tolsma to set Board of Equalization Meeting for March 18, 2002, at 5:00 p.m. All voted "aye".

Motion by Tolsma to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is necessary to hold an annual election for the election of certain municipal officers, it is therefore

RESOLVED THAT WHEREAS, pursuant to the law of the State of South Dakota, an annual election for the election of Municipal Officers is required to be held on the second Tuesday of April (April 9, 2002) each year, the City Finance Officer be, and is hereby authorized and directed and is required to give notice of such election by publication being not less than ten days prior to such election, and the officers to be voted for thereat.

That the polling place for all Wards shall be at the Avon Fire Hall of Avon, South Dakota in accordance with Ordinance of Record, and the polls at such election shall be open continuously from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. of said day, that the City Finance Officer be authorized and directed to prepare office ballots for said election.

The following persons by and they are hereby appointed Municipal Election Clerks: Myra Klock, Rita Ridgway and Shirley Yonkers.

Seconded by Cameron. Roll Call vote: Kuhlman, Tjeerdsma, Cameron, Tolsma, and Mensch. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The Council directed Finance Officer Berndt to set up a time that they could meet with City Attorney Alberts in order to get their questions answered regarding the budget concerns for the purchase of a payloader.

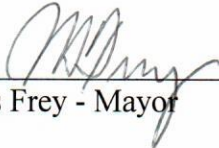
Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Kuhlman to direct Finance Officer Berndt to have the copy machine repaired. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Police Chief Luke gave the monthly report to the Council. He reported the acquisition of a phone for the police car. He asked the Council for permission to solicit bids for police car tires. The three city businesses will be asked to bid.

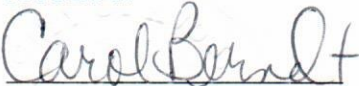
The Council directed Finance Officer Berndt to contact the Centennial Committee to inquire if their business is concluded and request a final accounting report be presented to the Council.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Kuhlman to allow Luke to attend the Regional Statewide Digital Trunked Radio System Meeting. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Cameron seconded by Tolsma to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. All voted "aye". Motion carried.


James Frey - Mayor

ATTEST:


Carol Berndt
City Finance Officer
(SEAL)

