

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES FOR  
AVON, SOUTH DAKOTA – April 7, 2003

A regular meeting of the Avon City Council was held on the above date at the Avon City Building at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call: Mayor Bechtold, and Aldermen: Tjeerdsma, Tolsma, Kuhlman, Cameron, Reister and Finance Officer Berndt. Absent: Alderman Mensch. Also present were Roger Frey, Orval Elliott and Jack Brodeen.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bechtold at 7:05 p.m.

Motion by Reister and seconded by Kuhlman to approve the agenda however Park Board recommendations will be handled in executive session. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Cameron to approve the minutes of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> and the meetings on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003 as written. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment:

**GENERAL FUND:**

A1 Gas & Go—gasohol	\$ 69.11
Avon Clarion—publication	\$ 479.35
Avon Postmaster – box rent	\$ 26.00
Allen Kocmich – mileage	\$ 25.60
Carol Berndt – mileage	\$ 25.60
Don Mudder – mileage	\$ 10.24
B & L Communications – work on police radio	\$ 342.00
Cahoy's – fuel and service	\$ 501.13
Cellular one police phone	\$ 25.60
Community Bank—ss & wh	\$ 870.98
Community Bank – loan payment	\$ 1,655.14
Cover to Cover—library books	\$ 149.47
D & L Oil - diesel, heating fuel	\$ 440.70
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$ 220.08
Ferrellgas – Legion tank	\$ 237.80
Jurren's Repair – parts and labor	\$ 478.17
Myers Dray—garbage collection - dumpster	\$ 2,771.00
McLeod's – elections supplies	\$ 47.89
Northwestern Public Service—elec.	\$ 1,002.42
Power Source Builders – lights in library	\$ 29.29
Recreonics – pool supplies	\$ 129.32
Riverside Hydraulics – repair to pump	\$ 41.43
SBC- gravel	\$ 142.75
SD Retirement—retirement	\$ 723.32
State Treasurer—sales tax	\$ 141.12
Tyler Tjeerdsma - mileage	\$ 32.00
Tractor Salvage – metal for plow	\$ 447.21
True Value – supplies	\$ 182.72
Unemployment – 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarterly	\$ 28.60
Wal-Mart – books	\$ 18.84
Wellmark – insurance	\$ 676.68
Salaries—office	\$ 1,026.54
Salaries—police	\$ 2,653.25
Salaries—library	\$ 635.09
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,286.44</b>

**WATER AND SEWER FUND**

B-Y Water—water	\$ 2,559.85
Avon Post office – postcard	\$ 62.50
Community Bank – withholding	\$ 596.82

D & L Oil – fuel for shop	\$ 595.19
Blue Cross-health insurance	\$ 270.68
Luke Backhoe – water break	\$ 484.25
Dept. of Revenue - water samples	\$ 342.00
Payer Hardware – UPS shipping	\$ 25.24
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$ 46.26
SBC- backhoe rental	\$ 20.00
Revenue & Reserve-transfer	\$ 374.17
Unemployment – 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarterly	\$ 15.94
SD Retirement—retirement	\$ 409.26
Salaries— water and sewer	\$ 2,708.96
TOTAL	\$ 8,495.88

AMBULANCE FUND:

Cahoy's – gas	\$ 24.00
Verizon Wireless—telephone	\$ 22.22
Jurren's Repair – lube	\$ 22.45
McLeod's – insurance forms	\$ 32.04
Avon Fire Department – half of decoder	\$ 417.00
Golden West Co.—telephone	\$ 72.69
TOTAL	\$ 590.40

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

The following receipts were presented for approval:

RECEIPTS FOR MARCH 2003

City of Avon—water	\$ 3,948.35
City of Avon –late fee	\$ 199.38
City of Avon—sewer	\$ 1,919.96
City of Avon—garbage	\$ 2,688.00
City of Avon—tax	\$ 107.43
Revenue & Reserve—transfer	\$ 374.17
Dept. of Revenue—sales tax 1 <sup>st</sup> Penny	\$ 6,475.93
2 <sup>nd</sup> Penny	\$ 4,085.00
Ambulance – Medicare (Frey, Becvar, Spitzer, Kocmich)	\$ 633.54
Wellmark – Pier	\$ 16.00
William Pier	\$ 69.42
Allen Lee	\$ 350.00
Ludwig and Sharon Bertsch	\$ 500.00
Roger Berndt	\$ 60.00
Accident Report	\$ 4.00
State of SD – police grant money	\$ 1,800.00
Carol Berndt – Retirement	\$ 57.00
Deb Thompson – Retirement	\$ 35.00
Interest	\$ 1,714.75
Pool Donations and Interest	\$ 3,920.97
Bon Homme County Treasurer - general	\$ 3,068.52
Motor Vehicle	\$ 249.12
	\$ 32,364.99

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



Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Kuhlman to start the regular season dump hours on April 12, 2003. Hours will remain the same Tuesdays 5-7 and Saturdays 2-4. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The city was been in contact with Spruce up South Dakota regarding the removal of unwanted buildings. If you are interested please contact the Mayor or Finance Officer. The property owner must sign a consent form and have a clean up plan in place.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Kuhlman to have B & H Tree Service of Corsica remove the trees in front of Stacey Powers at a cost of \$200.00 the city will clean up, and homeowners will be responsible for stump removal. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Reister to have Topkote fix any cracks on the streets before chip sealing is done the cost would be \$.57 a running foot. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

At this time water bills were discussed although the number of accounts is going down, we still have some that are not being paid on time. Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Tjeerdsma to have the police officers serve letters on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April and if payment is then not made by the 18<sup>th</sup> service would be terminated on the 21<sup>st</sup>. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Mayor Bechtold updated the Council on the grant process with District III regarding the pool. He informed them that District III now has all the specifications from the pool company and us, they are working on putting it all together and then it will be sent to Pierre. District III had done some checking in March with pool companies to see if they would even be able to work on the project this spring, and all of the pool companies shared that their spring schedule is set in the fall and none of them would even consider putting in a bid if there were deadlines.

We understand it seems like progress is slow however being the first time we are dealing with a grant, we all want to make sure we are not rushing into something before all the information is correct.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tjeerdsma to hire Jeff Thompson and Brian Janssen as needed for fill in street labor on an as needed basis. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

A concern was discussed regarding a right of way issue; the city will send a letter to the property owner and address the issue.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Reister to go into executive session regarding personnel matters at 7:45 p.m. All voted "aye". Motion carried.


Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Reister to come out of executive session at 8:50 p.m. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

The following motion was made regarding lifeguards, swim team and lessons. To hire Annie Lukkes as Head Lifeguard at a wage of \$7.50, Ashley Berndt and Becky Pelton at \$7.00, and Miranda Medricky and Tiffany Oster at \$6.50. Becky Pelton was hired as swim team coach at \$700.00 per team; Miranda and Tiffany were hired as head and assistant swimming lesson instructors at \$7.00 and \$6.50 respectively. Also three girls have taken the lifeguard class and passed. They are Nikki Jones, Lindsey VanGerpen and Whitney Qualantone, who will receive some hours at a rate of \$5.50.

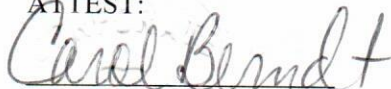
At this time no decision were made regarding coaches. A Council member will meet with the park board and clarify some questions, before coaches are announced.

No changes were made in rates or fees.

Motion by Cameron and seconded by Reister to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

  
Russell Bechtold - Mayor

ATTEST:



Carol Berndt  
City Finance Officer  
(SEAL)