

AVON, SOUTH DAKOTA – MAY 6, 2002

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

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

Mayor Frey explained the only thing he wanted to do was to approve the claims for the outgoing Mayor and Councilmen, the incoming Mayor could handle the rest. The signature cards however were dated for the incoming Mayor so all claims will be approved at the same time.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Cameron to approve the agenda. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Kuhlman to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2002 meeting. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Kuhlman to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2002 special meeting with the correction of Council President Kuhlman called the meeting to order. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tolsma to thank James Frey for his service to the city. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

At this time outgoing Mayor Frey wished the council and incoming Mayor well and turned the chair over to Council President Kuhlman.

James Frey left at 7:10 p.m.

Allen Kocmich and Roland Luke arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Finance Officer Berndt administered the Oath of Office to Russell Bechtold as Mayor for a term of two years and Paul Kuhlman as Alderman of Ward One for a term of three years, and declared them duly installed to the offices of Mayor and Alderman respectively.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Tjeerdsma to approve the appointment of Bob Reister for a term of one year as Alderman for Ward Two. All voted “aye”. Motion

carried. Mayor Bechtold administered the Oath of Office, and declared Reister duly installed to the office of Alderman.

The following claims were presented for payment:

MAY CLAIMS (For Month Ending April 30, 2002)

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 31,473.09
<u>GENERAL</u>	
A-1	\$ 20.09
ABC MFG - street signs	\$ 653.70
APH Wholesale	\$ 174.77
Avon Clarion - publishing	\$ 450.69
Blue Cross - insurance	\$ 696.65
Bon Homme Peace Officers Ass'n -range fees	\$ 43.00
Cahoy's Gas & Service - gas	\$ 397.55
Cellular One - police phone	\$ 23.05
Coast to Coast - supplies	\$ 254.52
Community Bank - ss & wh	\$ 867.80
Cover to Cover - books	\$ 51.06
D & L Oil - diesel and Fuel oil, Police car tires	\$ 449.00
Ferrellgas	\$ 8.00
Golden West	\$ 234.87
Governmental Finance Officers' Association	\$ 40.00
Myers Dray collections and dumpster	\$ 2,771.00
NWPS - Monthly Bill	\$ 1,357.92
Jurren's Electric - Office phone, car antenna	\$ 50.50
Powers Furniture - Carpet	\$ 3,468.00
Ron's - Supplies library and restrooms	\$ 51.38
Scheetz - mower parts	\$ 26.70
SD Dept. of Revenue - sales tax	\$ 125.64
SD Federal Property Agency	\$ 194.70
SD Retirement - contribution	\$ 545.00
SBC - Paint Sprayer and Library Supplies	\$ 1,884.84
Election Myra Klock	\$ 54.08
Rita Ridgway	\$ 54.08
Shirley Yonkers	\$ 54.08
Council Jim Frey	\$ 1,108.20
Kevin Tjeerdsma	\$ 554.10
Vern Tolsma	\$ 554.10
Paul Kuhlman	\$ 554.10
Korey Mensch	\$ 554.10
Brad Cameron	\$ 554.10
John DenOuden	\$ 277.05
Wages- Office	\$ 1,147.15
Police Dept.	\$ 2,525.75
Library	\$ 860.44
City Dump	\$ 55.41
TOTAL	\$ 23,747.17
<u>WATER/SEWER</u>	
Blue Cross - insurance	696.65
BY Water	\$ 2,729.00

Community Bank - ss & wh	.....	\$ 536.10
Golden West	.....	\$ 73.84
William's Septic - jet line	.....	\$ 200.00
Revenue And Reserve Transfer	.....	\$ 374.17
Wages	.....	\$ 2,474.06
SD Retirement - contribution	.....	\$ 206.54
SD Dept of Health - testing	.....	\$ 12.00
TOTAL		\$ 7,302.36

AMBULANCE

Crew	.....	\$ 270.00
A-1	.....	\$ 26.70
Golden West	.....	\$ 71.47
Office of Emergency Medical Services	.....	\$ 12.00
Verizon Wireless	.....	\$ 43.39
TOTAL		\$ 423.56

Motion by Kuhlman seconded by Tolsma to pay the foregoing claims. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Tjeerdsma to accept the foregoing receipts. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

RECEIPTS FOR APRIL 2002

City of Avon—water	\$ 5,059.21
City of Avon –late fee/payments	\$ 135.02
City of Avon—sewer	\$ 2,256.00
City of Avon—garbage	\$ 3,141.00
City of Avon—tax	\$ 125.99
Revenue & Reserve—transfer	\$ 374.17
Dept. of Revenue—sales tax 1 st Penny	\$ 3,385.00
2 nd Penny	\$ 2,812.64
SD Judicial System – fines	\$ 34.45
Ambulance – Leona Lang	\$ 130.00
Margery Fennema	\$ 115.83
Medicare – Melba Ridgway	\$ 57.10
Water Deposit – Sternhagen	\$ 25.00
Interest on Savings Accounts	\$ 1,944.02
State of SD Alcoholic Beverage Fund	\$ 749.55
Bon Homme County Treasurer – general	\$ 3,673.99
Prior Year	\$ 130.11
Mobile home	\$ 232.97
Motor Vehicle	\$ 270.00
Penalties	\$ 8.67

Alvin Mudder presented a final Financial Report on behalf of the Centennial Committee. Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Cameron to accept the report as is. All voted "aye". Motion carried. The Council again wanted to express the appreciation to all the members of the committee.

Alvin Mudder left at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Cameron to nominate Kuhlman as Council President. Motion by Reister and seconded by Cameron to cease nominations. All voted "aye". Both motions carried.

Motion by Mensch and seconded by Kuhlman to nominate Tolsma as Council Vice-President. Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Kuhlman to cease nominations. All voted "aye". Both motions carried.

Mayor Bechtold appointed Roland Luke as Police Chief, Allen Kocmich as Street and Water Commissioner, and Carol Berndt as City Finance Officer. Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Reister to approve the said appointments. Roll call vote: Tolsma, Kuhlman, Cameron, Reister, Tjeerdsma, and Mensch. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Mayor Bechtold administered the Oaths of Office and declared them duly appointed to their respective offices.

Mayor Bechtold explained that he would like to leave the committees as is and put Reister in ⁿwere DenOuden was if the Council agreed. So at this time there will be no change to committee appointments.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Reister to approve the appointments of Brad Poppe and Jarvis Winckler to three year terms on the Park Board. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Reister to approve the appointments of Alice Johnson and Joanne Bryan to three year terms on the Library Board. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Mayor Bechtold gave Ordinance #273 entitled "Controlling Traffic for Stop Signs, Speed and Parking" it's first reading. Roll call vote: Tolsma, Kuhlman, Cameron, Reister, Tjeerdsma, and Mensch. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Reister and seconded by Cameron to move the 15 minute parking spot down the street to the new building. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Tolsma to set the Public Hearing for A-1 Malt Liquor License for June 3, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Cameron to allow Finance Officer Berndt to attend The Governmental Finance Officers School in Huron, SD on June 12-14. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Finance Officer Berndt on behalf of the Park Board asked the Council if they would be willing to donate money for supplies. As directed by the Auditor at the time of the audit we are required to have receipts of the items purchased. It was decided that the City would purchase the two loads of Agri-lime as approved earlier, and if the coaches or organization would like to come to the June meeting and ask for money to buy specific items that would be fine.

Berndt informed the Council that Pam Fennema was interested in offering water aerobics during the Adult Swim time at the pool, if no one objected. The Council felt that would be fine, however, they did not feel they needed to make a motion on the matter.

Berndt informed the Council that the city had received a letter in March for a program called Paint South Dakota. The program purchases the primer and paint needed to paint houses throughout the state, and we are responsible to provide the equipment and labor. She passed the letter along to Tom Oster at the school. Last week they learned that the Football Team was selected, and will be painting a home in Avon on June 8th.

Korey Mensch asked for permission to burn in the City Limits. Motion by Tjeerdsma and seconded by Reister to allow the burn, asking that the Fire Department be informed. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Police Chief Luke presented the Monthly Police Report, some issues were discussed regarding 5th wheel trailer parking and parking lot concerns.

Luke left at 8:00 p.m.

Water Commissioner Kocmich asked that the city consider implementing a service charge for people who turn on and off their water service through out the year. The Council asked question on how often it occurs, asking that he check with other towns and they will discuss again next month.

Kocmich asked permission to find someone to help with mowing until Marlin Vilhauer is able to work again. Motion by Tolsma and seconded by Kuhlman to allow Kocmich to find a mower at \$6.50 per hour. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Other issues that will be addressed again next month include the water tower roof, a bid for asphalt, and the library roof.

Terry Schultz has offered the use of his payloader at a rate of \$80.00 per hour and \$100.00 if he supplies the man, adding this is a short-term solution.

Motion by Kuhlman and seconded by Cameron to set a date with Thomas Alberts for next week. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Jack Brodeen left at 9:00 p.m.

Kocmich informed the Council that gravel is needed in many of the Alley's around town and also discussed adding gravel to the corner of Elm and 4th.

He also informed the Council of curb repair needed at the corner of 1st and Walnut. The Fire Department will be assisting in flushing the hydrants. He also would like to thank the Department for their assistance in burning the lagoon.

Allen Kocmich, Orval Elliot and Roger Frey left at 9:30 p.m.

The Council and Mayor would like to thank all the people who have and are still assisting with the library move.

Finance Officer Berndt informed the Council that there is a problem with the phone system in the new building. She was directed to set the Library up with a separate line of service.

Kevin Tjeerdsma asked for permission to use the Library Building for the Ambulance meetings. The members thought that would be a good use for the new building.

The City Dump will now be open on Tuesdays beginning the 14th of May.

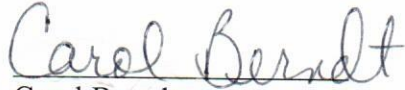
Mayor Bechtold asked that the Council go into Executive Session to discuss several matters. Motion by Reister and seconded Cameron to go into Executive Session. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion by Reister and seconded by Mensch to come out of Executive Session. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

Having no other business, a motion was made by Mensch seconded by Cameron to adjourn at 10:15 p.m. All voted "aye". Motion carried.


Russell Bechtold - Mayor

ATTEST:



Carol Berndt
City Finance Officer
(SEAL)