

Official Minutes For
Avon, South Dakota – July 6, 2020

A regular meeting of the Avon City Council was held on the above date at the Avon City Building at 7:00 PM. The roll call was taken. Present were Mayor Petrik, Alderperson Berndt, Alderperson Dodge, Alderperson Jonkers, and Finance Officer Simmons. Also present were Slater Brodeen, Al Kocmich, Twila Lukkes, Matthew Petrik, Josh Rucktaeshel, Kevin Tjeerdsma, and Jim Toupal.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Petrik at 7:00 P.M.

All stood and said the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to approve the minutes of the June meetings. Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment: A-1 – ice - \$ 5.86, Aflac – employee supplemental insurance – \$ 383.37, Amanda Gimbel – election - \$ 125.13, Ambill – ambulance billing - \$ 140.00, Apparel WorX – jerseys - \$ 405.00, Avon Lumber – supplies - \$ 487.93, Avon Public Library – quarterly allotment - \$ 587.52, Barco Municipal Products – supplies - \$ 229.43, Bound Tree Medical – ambulance supplies - \$ 150.88, BY Water – bulk water - \$ 7,906.20, Code Enforcement Specialists – code enforcement - \$ 682.05, Dennis Dodge – reimbursement - \$ 12.00, Farmer’s Coop – miscellaneous - \$ 2,787.28, Goldenwest – telephone and internet service - \$ 429.88, Gracie Small – reimbursement - \$ 70.00, Health Pool of SD – employee insurance - \$ 4,994.56, IRS – payroll taxes - \$ 3,081.16, Janet Wormsbecker – election - \$ 125.13, Joe Paulsen – clothing allowance/cell phone reimbursement - \$ 275.00, Mark’s Machinery – supplies - \$ 529.13, Menards – sanitary wipes - \$ 15.56, Michael Todd & Co – supplies - \$ 134.36, MARC – pool supplies - \$ 164.04, Myers’ Sanitation – garbage pickup - \$ 3,946.00, Nick’s Lawn Care – mowing - \$ 220.00, Northwestern Energy – utilities – \$ 1,418.98, One Office Solution – supplies - \$ 219.02, Petty Cash – reimbursement - \$ 47.00, Ron’s Market – miscellaneous - \$ 131.15, SD Dept. of Revenue – garbage tax - \$ 252.64, SD Public Health Lab – lagoon testing fees - \$ 176.00, SD Retirement System – retirement - \$ 1,501.68, SD One Call – 811 - \$ 25.76, Twila Lukkes – reimbursement - \$ 47.00, Tyndall Ace Hardware – miscellaneous - \$ 578.85, Unemployment Insurance – unemployment tax - \$ 119.50, Verizon – cell phones - \$ 256.11, Vicki Roth – election - \$ 125.13, Wholesale Supply Co – pool concession - \$ 184.80, Yankton Janitorial Supply – hand sanitizer - \$ 336.54, payroll for the Mayor and City Council - \$ 830.00, payroll for the Finance Office – \$ 2,217.48, payroll for the Police – \$ 2,982.90, payroll for the Library – \$ 769.68, payroll for the Public Works – \$ 5,883.28, and payroll for the pool - \$ 2,974.49. Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to pay the foregoing claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented: Water receipts – \$ 9,781.95, Sewer receipts – \$ 4,621.34, Garbage receipts – \$ 4,156.92, Garbage Tax fees - \$ 288.98, Late Fees - \$ 360.42, Ambulance - \$ 1,438.68, Water Deposits - \$ 300.00, Dog Tags - \$ 50.00, Building Permits - \$ 10.00, Pool - \$ 4,106.64, Swimming Lessons - \$ 810.00, Donation For Batting Cage - \$ 100.00, Mowing For Kelcey Frank Property - \$ 300.00, Baseball/Softball - \$ 2,482.00, FEMA - \$ 4,746.88, Bank/CD Interest - \$ 2,405.32, State Sales Tax - \$ 4,386.60, State Sales Tax (second penny) - \$ 4,386.60, Current Year Property Taxes – \$ 48,471.82, Prior Year - \$ 295.48, Penalties and Interest - \$ 28.94, Motor Vehicle Licenses – \$ 534.75, and Special Assessments - \$ 2,775.99. Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to approve the receipts. Motion carried.

Committee reports –

Alderperson Berndt had nothing to report.

Alderperson Dodge had nothing to report.

Aldersperson Jonkers reported that work on the batting cage had started. \$ 650.00 in donations have been raised to help with the concrete. These donations will be turned in at a later date. The porta-potties can be picked up this week from the teener field. She made the suggestion that the bathrooms at the baseball/softball field need painting.

Mayor Petrik had nothing to report on streets.

Public Time –

Jim Toupal stated that the Pour Corner is hosting a three-couple elopement party of August 8th. The Fire Hall is going to be used as a back up in case of bad weather. He would like the street blocked off and a liquor license for the event. Motion by Aldersperson Jonkers and seconded by Aldersperson Berndt to approve. Motion carried.

Clint Powell began talking about the chip seal project. He said that he has not heard exactly when it will start but it hopefully will be soon. Next, he talked about the Hazard Mitigation Grant which is due by July 31st. This is a FEMA grant that the federal government pays 75-85% of and we pay 15-25% of. The grant will be used for the drainage project. Next, he talked about the Transportation Alternatives Grant which will be used for a sidewalk that goes from the school to Evergreen Street. The state will pay 80 % to our 20% but ours can be in-kind (the work done by AI). Brosz is finishing the study for the wastewater research grant next month. Main Street bids go out in September. Tomorrow he will find out if we are on the SCWDD July agenda.

Josh Rucktaeschel wanted to know why the big commotion over the reshingling of the Avera Medical Building. He did not appreciate people approaching his worker and his son instead of coming to him and verifying the issue. The mayor apologized and offered the explanation that the building is owned by the city and no one can just order something be done to it because then the city and the taxpayers are liable for the payment. FO Simmons confirmed with Carol Deurmier that the hospital is paying for both the roof and the handicapped doorway that will be placed in the front entrance.

Old Business -

Spring Clean Up week is July 13th through the 16th.

Adjourn –

Motion to adjourn by Aldersperson Jonkers and seconded by Aldersperson Dodge. Motion carried.

New Business -

The mayor made a presentation to Former Aldersperson Barb Jonkers for her many years of service and and commitment to the citizens of Avon.

The mayor and new aldermen were sworn in.

Alderman Randy Berndt was nominated for President of the Council. Motion by Alderman Kevin Tjeerdsma and seconded by Alderman Matt Petrik to approve. Motion carried.

Alderman Dennis Dodge was nominated for Vice President of the Council. Motion by Alderman Randy Berndt and seconded by Alderman Kevin Tjeerdsma to approve. Motion carried.

Alderman Randy Berndt was appointed to be in charge of streets.

Alderman Dennis Dodge was appointed to be in charge of the dump.

Alderman Matt Petrik was appointed to the Park Board.

Alderman Kevin Tjeerdsma was appointed to the Library Board.

Motion by Aldersperson Jonkers and seconded by Aldersperson Berndt to approve the mayor signing the Resolution for the Hazard Mitigation Grant. Motion carried. (This was done out of order and that is why Aldersperson Jonkers' name is on the motion.

Kacie Mudder had requested that we raise her pay to what she gets at her daytime job. She also requested that she be allowed to give private lessons. Motion by Alderman Dodge and

seconded by Alderman Petrik to keep her pay as is and to approve swimming lessons. Motion carried.

FO Simmons brought up Twila Lukkes' personal time is unfairly determined as compared to the other city employees. She asked that the council allow her to calculate Twila's time according to the basic calculation. Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Dodge to approve. Motion carried.

FO Simmons brought up the Pitney Bowes lease and requested we end it. Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderman Tjeerdsma to approve. Motion carried.

Executive Session

The next meeting is Monday, August 3rd at 7:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderman Tjeerdsma. Motion carried.

Mike Petrik
Mayor

Twyla Simmons
City Finance Officer

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