

## Special Meeting August 20, 2001

A special meeting of the Avon City Council was held August 20, 2001 at the Avon City Library at 7:30 p.m. Roll call: Mayor Frey, Aldermen DenOuden, Kuhlman, Mensch, Tjeerdsma, and Tolsma. Absent Alderman Cameron and Finance Officer Berndt. Also present were Allen Kocmich and Joe Fillaus. Larry Greff of Diesel Machinery, Inc. (Wolsey, SD) and Zoell Colburn of MCR Pools (Sioux Falls, SD) were also in attendance to make presentations to the City Council.

Mayor Frey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Larry Greff made a presentation to the City Council regarding the possibility of purchasing a new Komatsu pay loader. The pay loader the city now owns is a 1969 model. Presently the machine is broken down. Estimates to repair the old pay loader are in the \$10,000 to \$12,000 range. Greff presented a proposal where the city would purchase a brand new pay loader about the same size we have with more modern hydraulics and quick attaching accessories for \$81,500. The payments for the pay loader would be \$1,493 per month for 60 months. This is \$17,916 per year for 5 years, or a grand total cost of \$89,580 for a new pay loader.

A brief discussion was held after the presentation, which included some specific questions about the machine. Greff indicated that his firm would offer the City \$2,500 for the old pay loader. However, the pay loader would have to be declared surplus first, and, if no one bid more that \$2,500, then Greff's firm would take the old pay loader at the \$2,500. The mayor informed Mr. Greff that no decision to purchase a pay loader would be made this date, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>. The City would determine where the funds were going to come from before the purchase of this size could be made. Greff left the meeting about 8:00 p.m.

Joe Fillaus informed the City Council that he was interested in the old pay loader and wanted to be included as a potential buyer if the old machine was declared a surplus item. He left the meeting about 8:05 p.m.

Zoell Colburn made a presentation to the City Council on the swimming pool. Although Colburn had a dozen points in his proposal, the high cost items will be mentioned here. The first item was to build a new "wader pool." The pool would be 15 ft. x 22 ft. x 2 ft with its own separate filtration system (required by S.D. on new construction). The cost would be \$23,000 for the "wader pool." The second major proposal was for the repair and/or replacement of the skimmer system, the return inlets and

feeder lines, which essentially represent the majority of the plumbing associated with the pool. The cost would be \$24,000 for the plumbing work. Some questions were asked; some discussion took place. Mayor Frey pointed out that the concrete around the pool, the deck, would have to be removed and replaced for the work to be done. Terry Schultz estimated at \$20,000 plus for this work at the August 6, 2001 meeting. Thus, this work would wind up costing about \$67,000 to \$70,000 without any consideration for enclosing the pool with a fence.

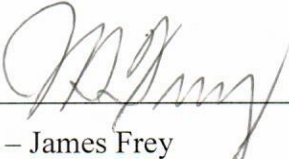
The mayor informed Mr. Colburn that no decision would be made until later. Mr. Colburn left the meeting about 8:30 p.m.


Councilman Tolsma informed the group that the progress on Elm Street was stalled. There is still no resolution on what to do with the surface drainage. The committee on streets will continue to work on the problem.

Additional discussion was held on the pay loader. Alderman Mensch and DenOuden expressed their opinion that they felt strongly the City should purchase a new pay loader. Commissioner Kocmich also indicated he favored the purchase of a new pay loader. The three of them pointed out the age of the old machine. Mayor Frey told the Council that he would need to do some checking on a purchase of that size, but that it would most likely have to be put into the budget before it could be purchased. That would mean nothing could be done until after the budget for 2002 was approved. A motion was made by Kuhlman and seconded by Mensch to look into purchasing a new pay loader. All voted "aye." Motion carried.

It was decided to table any decision on work on the swimming pool until after the 2002 budget was reviewed.

Motion to adjourn by Tjeerdsma and seconded by DenOuden. All voted "aye."  
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

  
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Mayor – James Frey

  
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Attest: John DenOuden  
City Council – President