

Official Minutes For
Avon, South Dakota – August, 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, Alderman Berndt, Alderman Dodge, Alderman Petrik, Alderman Tjeerdsma and Finance Officer Simmons. Also present were Slater Brodeen, Clint Powell, Al Kocmich, and Twila Lukkes.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Petrik at 7:06 P.M.

All stood and said the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Tjeerdsma to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Petrik and seconded by Alderman Dodge to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment: Aflac – employee supplemental insurance – \$ 383.37, Ambill – ambulance billing - \$ 105.00, Avon Clarion – publications/ads - \$ 330.39, Avon Lumber – supplies - \$ 225.17, B & H Tree Service – cutting/trimming trees - \$ 500.00, BY Water – bulk water - \$ 7,652.00, Cahoy Service – supplies - \$ 40.00, David Roth – Water Deposit Refund - \$ 25.00, Goldenwest – telephone and internet service - \$ 79.56, Health Pool of SD – employee insurance - \$ 4,994.56, IRS – payroll taxes - \$ 3,885.07, Jack’s Uniforms – police supplies - \$ 1,332.48, Lawns Unlimited – Ted Wonnemberg - \$ 214.25, Luke Backhoe – digging - \$ 620.47, Myers’ Sanitation - garbage pickup - \$ 3,946.00, Northwestern Energy – utilities – \$ 2,290.86, Ron’s Market – miscellaneous - \$ 125.24, Schultz Redi Mix – cement/rebar - \$ 1,910.00, SD Dept. of Revenue – garbage tax - \$ 252.64, SD Public Health Lab – water testing fees - \$ 15.00, SD Retirement System – retirement - \$ 1,452.38, Tyndall Ace Hardware – miscellaneous - \$ 18.99, Verizon – cell phones - \$ 257.33, Wholesale Supply Co – pool concession - \$ 69.00, payroll for the Mayor and City Council - \$ 585.00, payroll for the Finance Office – \$ 2,025.77, payroll for the Police – \$ 3,056.10, payroll for the Library – \$ 719.77, payroll for the Public Works – \$ 5,572.61, and payroll for the pool - \$ 4,339.94. Motion by Alderman Tjeerdsma and seconded by Alderman Berndt to pay the foregoing claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented: Water receipts – \$ 14,106.15, Sewer receipts – \$ 4,887.09, Garbage receipts – \$ 4,363.95, Garbage Tax fees - \$ 303.38, Late Fees - \$ 107.88, Ambulance - \$ 11,487.50, Water Deposits - \$ 200.00, Dog Tags - \$ 40.00, Building Permits - \$ 20.00, Pool - \$ 2,593.09, Swimming Lessons - \$ 510.00, Donation For Batting Cage - \$ 200.00, Mowing For Kelcey Frank Property - \$ 400.00, Alcohol Reversion Tax - \$ 964.59, Goldenwest - \$ 623.90, Jersies - \$ 405.00, Amusement Tax - \$ 144.00, Local Bridge Tax - \$ 2,678.22, Peddler Permit - \$ 10.00, Bank/CD Interest - \$ 2,250.00, State Sales Tax - \$ 4,130.84, State Sales Tax (second penny) - \$ 4,130.84, Current Year Property Taxes – \$ 5,176.64, Prior Year - \$ 1,393.53, Penalties and Interest - \$ 151.49, Motor Vehicle Licenses – \$ 1,055.86, and Special Assessments - \$ 641.03. Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderman Petrik to approve the receipts. Motion carried.

Committee reports –

Alderman Berndt had nothing to report.

Alderman Dodge had nothing to report.

Alderman Petrik had nothing to report.

Alderman Tjeerdsma reported that the next meeting of the Library Board will be on September 16th

FO Simmons stated that the pool will be closing on Sunday, August 9th. Al added that 2 lifeguards, Gracie Small and Madi Mudder are supposed to come in and clean up the pool area on Monday, August 10th.

Public Time –

Clint Powell began talking about the chip seal project. He is planning to be at the SCWDD meeting tomorrow to present the grant request for Avon. The GIS project should be starting this week. The TAP (DOT) meeting is tomorrow.

Old Business -

Dean will be present off and on at the street dance this Saturday, August 8th at Pour Corner.

Al talked to the code enforcer about the Nellis property. Eric Nellis is willing to sell and has agreed that he will work with him, not the city because of past bad feelings. Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Dodge to approve the sale handling by the code enforcer. Motion carried.

New Business -

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Dodge to allow the mayor to sign all documents related to the pool/rec grant through District III. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderman Petrik to approve the annual 3% raise in water, sewer, and garbage rates beginning in September. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Tjeerdsma and seconded by Alderman Dodge to approve the propane contract submitted by Best Propane in Wagner. Motion carried.

Matt Eggers had requested that Bailey Laage get reimbursed for helping him out with the Teeners this year. After some discussion, the council decided no because it is not fair to those who helped Travis, Jeff, and Janelle this year.

Ordinance 344, an ordinance updating building permit requirements, was introduced. The first reading was made. The only change is that a building permit must be bought no matter what the project is. Formerly the ordinance stated that the project had to be \$ 500 and over for a building permit to be necessary. Now, no matter the cost, a building permit is required.

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Dodge to leave the dog ordinance as is. Motion carried.

Because of a recent drowning, it has been suggested that the city and the fire department conduct a class or classes to help adults and children cope with the issue. There was a consensus that there is other help out there for those who need it.

A dental/vision insurance plan had been brought up several months ago. The council looked over the policy and approved its presentation to the city employees. It would be fully funded by the employees.

The council decided that there does not need to be a “No Parking” sign out in front of the city office. It is a red curb and people are supposed to know better. We also have a business owner that does it so the council said that if it is wrong, it is wrong for all.

Mayor Mike Petrik was elected as delegate to the Missouri Valley and Alderman Randy Berndt was elected as the alternate.

Bradley Voigt and Barb Jonkers will be on the Park Board.

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Dodge to declare the old street sweeper surplus. Motion by Alderman Tjeerdsma and seconded by Alderman Berndt to declare the John Deere Sickle Mower surplus. Motion carried.

The next meeting is Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 pm.

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

Mike Petrik
Mayor

Twyla Simmons
City Finance Officer

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