

Official Minutes For
Avon, South Dakota – September 9, 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, Howard Elliott, Ilene Muller, Gary LaCompte, Twila Lukkes, Clint Powell, and Stacy Powers.

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

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

The following claims were presented for payment: Aflac – employee supplemental insurance – \$ 383.37, Ambill – ambulance billing - \$ 140.00, BEAM – insurance - \$ 955.84, BoundTree – medical supplies - \$ 314.90, Brosz Engineering – GIS - \$ 15,540.00, BY Water – bulk water - \$ 6,529.80, Cahoy Service – supplies - \$ 38.65, Code Enforcement Specialist – code enforcement - \$ 1,342.60, Farmers Coop – miscellaneous - \$ 2,285.64, Galls – police - \$ 115.20, Goldenwest – telephone and internet service - \$ 282.25, Health Pool of SD – employee insurance - \$ 4,994.56, IRS – payroll taxes - \$ 3,933.20, J.P. Cooke – 2021 Dog Tags - \$ 61.50, John Cihak – umpiring softball - \$ 20.00, Laken Design – window decals - \$ 150.00, Luke Backhoe – digging - \$ 306.00, Madi Mudder – reimbursement for lifeguard certification - \$ 70.00, Marks Machinery – mower blades - \$ 75.71, Myers’ Sanitation - garbage pickup - \$ 3,946.00, Nicks Lawn Care – mowing - \$ 330.00, Northwestern Energy – utilities – \$ 2,422.40, Petty Cash – reimbursement - \$ 42.93, Ron’s Market – miscellaneous - \$ 111.37, SD Dept. of Revenue – garbage tax - \$ 252.64, SD Public Health Lab – water testing fees - \$ 15.00, SD Retirement System – retirement - \$ 1,789.24, Spencer Quarries – street patch - \$ 480.60, The Flower Shop – flowers - \$ 40.00, Verizon – cell phones - \$ 257.33, payroll for the Mayor and City Council - \$ 500.00, payroll for the Finance Office – \$ 2,296.82, payroll for the Police – \$ 3,660.00, payroll for the Library – \$ 962.10, payroll for the Public Works – \$ 7,511.84, and payroll for the pool/bb/sb - \$ 3,945.43. Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderman Tjeerdsma to pay the foregoing claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented: Water receipts – \$ 14,144.98, Sewer receipts – \$ 4,852.15, Garbage receipts – \$ 5,296.31, Garbage Tax fees - \$ 368.20, Late Fees - \$ 125.00, Ambulance - \$ 0, Water Deposits - \$ 200.00, Dog Tags - \$ 10.00, Building Permits - \$ 10.00, Pool - \$ 697.39, Dance Fee - \$ 25.00, Donation For Batting Cage - \$ 100.00, Mowing For Kelcey Frank Property - \$ 300.00, Police Report - \$ 5.00, Goldenwest - \$ 75.95, Pitney Bowes - \$ 541.50, Concession Fee - \$ 50.00, State Sales Tax - \$ 12,990.83, State Sales Tax (second penny) - \$ 12,990.83, Current Year Property Taxes – \$ 4,581.30, Prior Year - \$ 0, Penalties and Interest - \$ 25.23, Motor Vehicle Licenses – \$ 1,599.77, and Special Assessments - \$ 0. Motion by Alderman Petrik and seconded by Alderman Dodge to approve the receipts. Motion carried.

Committee reports –

Alderman Berndt stated that he had gotten several good comments about the streets, even from people who live out of town.

Alderman Dodge had nothing to report.

Alderman Petrik asked about the progress of pouring the camping pads up at the park. The mayor stated that we were waiting on Rollie and it would probably be next spring.

Alderman Tjeerdsma reported that the Library Board meeting will be next week.

Public Time –

Ilene Muller voiced her concerns over the water bills and the handling of the matter by the Finance Officer. The mayor explained that the FO had informed him of the mistakes before the bills went out but only a few were wrong and it did not warrant going through all 300 bills. She also voiced her concerns over the abandoned vehicles over in her side of town. The mayor told her that he would talk to the code enforcer about it.

Howard Elliott discussed the letter he got from the code enforcer. The mayor and Howard agreed that he would start with painting the building. The mayor also told him that he needs to get the water bill taken care of and get the water turned back on.

Stacey Powers discussed his plans to demolish the old Deurmier house that stands on the property that he just bought. He asked that once it was torn down, it could be dumped in a hole at the landfill. The mayor said yes. Another concern was the holes in the alley behind his house and in the alley behind the west side of Main Street where his shed is. The mayor told him that as soon as Al gets some free time, he will begin to take care of the alleys.

Clint Powell brought down two sets of project manuals/plans for the Main Street Project. He told the council that the final total for the chip sealing project will be present to them at the next council meeting in October. The Wastewater study which was funded by the USDA will be presented at the council meeting in October also. Bids for the Main Street project will go out in November when the contractors are back in the offices with a deadline of before Thanksgiving. He and Eric Ambrosion from District III have submitted the TAP grant (sidewalks). The DOT will give out the names and amounts given out at their meeting in December. These funds would be for 2022. More will be discussed about the FEMA Stormwater at next month's meeting.

Gary LaCompte from SCWDD presented a check for \$ 17,500.00 to help us with the GIS system.

Old Business -

The final reading or Ordinance # 344 was made. It took the financial limits off the building permit application. Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderman Berndt to approve. The mayor called for a role call vote. Alderman Berndt voted yes. Alderman Dodge voted yes. Alderman Petrik voted no. Alderman Tjeerdsma voted no. Since there was a tie, the Mayor voted no to break it. You do not need a building permit unless you are starting a project over \$ 500.00.

Everyone was present with the cancellation notice concerning the Bryan get together.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the Mayor signing the GIS contract between Brosz Engineering and the city. All voted yes.

New Business -

The mayor explained his Executive Proclamation for Arnold Sattler. He is proclaiming September 8th, 2020 as Arnold Sattler day. It will be celebrated every year.

The council was presented the Thank You card from the Tyndall Food Pantry for some Pool Concessions that were left over this year.

The next meeting is Monday, October 5th at 7:00 pm.

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

Mike Petrik
Mayor

Twyla Simmons
City Finance Officer

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