

Official Minutes for Avon, SD – September 6, 2022

A regular meeting of the Avon City Council was held on the above date at the Avon City Building at 7:00pm. Roll call was taken. Present were Mayor Kevin Tjeerdsma, Alderman Berndt, Alderperson Muller, and Alderman Dodge via Zoom. Absent was Alderman Petrik. Also present were Joe Paulsen, Lisa Peterson, Mary Hurd, Tom Culver, Paul Kulhman, Ryan Schroder, Jeff Tolsma, Greg Voigt, and Loretta Knodel.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tjeerdsma at 7:06pm.

All stood and said the pledge to the flag.

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

Motion by Alderperson Muller and seconded by Alderman Berndt to approve the minutes with changes including the description of claims. Motion carried.

The following claims were present for payment:

Aflac	\$270.14
Appeara - rugs	\$70.70
Avon City Library - reimbursement	\$579.80
Avon Lumber – shop supplies	\$49.51
B-Y Water District – bulk water	\$6,886.30
Capital One – credit card	\$706.39
Core&Main – mud plugs	\$124.44
Farmer's Coop - fuel	\$1,698.56
Feimer Construction – dirt work	\$15,725.25
GoldenWest - internet	\$44.53
Innovative - checks	\$185.00
Jennie Liebel - reimbursement	\$45.69
Laine Schryvers - reimbursement	\$177.73
Maguire Iron – water tower repairs	\$48,374.50
Myers Sanitation - trash	\$4,241.75
NorthWestern Energy - utilities	\$2,213.97
Power Source Electric – light repair	\$216.20
Public Health Laboratory – water samples	\$15.00
Schoenfish & Co., Inc. – 19-20 Audit	\$10,500.00
Tyndall Motors – repair for police car	\$865.10
USPS - postage	\$180.00
Verizon - phones	\$394.43
Payroll	\$14,120.74
Health Insurance	\$4,004.82
Beam Dental/Vision	\$222.21
Payroll Taxes	\$2,725.50

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Muller to accept the claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented:

City of Avon—water	\$19,062.43
City of Avon - water surcharge	\$920.70
City of Avon—sewer	\$4,103.42
City of Avon - sewer surcharge	\$739.65
City of Avon—garbage	\$4,420.44
City of Avon—tax	\$286.73
City of Avon—late fees	\$563.65
Ambulance	\$601.82
Water Deposit	\$100.00
Dog Tags	\$20.00
Peddler Permit	\$15.00
Building Permits	\$20.00
Pool Receipts	\$473.11
State Sales Tax	\$13,214.83
Bon Homme Co. Treasurer—Current	\$2,485.88
Penalties And Interest	\$21.49
Mobile Home Tax	\$133.16
MV License 5% & 12%	\$1,703.90
Special Assessments	\$280.48

Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Muller to accept the receipts. Motion carried.

Committee Reports –

Alderman Berndt reported on the Main Street inspection that took place on August 24th, 2022. There were a few things that the contractor will need to fix.

Alderperson Muller reported on the current state of the library. She presented current bank statements for the council to see. She also reported a “work” day with the Avon High School football players to get new shelving into the library.

Alderman Dodge reported on unauthorized dumping at the restricted use site. Sending out a letter to new residents was discussed.

Old Business –

Lisa Peterson reported that the new pool liner will be installed sometime in late September, early October. This is the best information she can get from the company doing the install.

Lisa Peterson discussed the SDML conference and what days she wanted to go to the conference along with what training she wanted to attend. Council decided to discuss in executive session.

Schmidt's Propane in Tyndall was the lowest quote for propane this year. Motion by Alderman Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Muller to accept the Schmidt's Propane quote. Motion carried.

New Business –

Mary Hurd presented current information on the state of the library. She also stressed the need for longer library hours. Council tabled the discussion until next meeting.

Tom Culver came and spoke about the upcoming season for the school's girls' softball team. Practice will start March 22, and there are approximately 22 girls interested in playing. There was some discussion on the agreement with the city for use of the softball field. Council asked for more information before making a decision.

The council requested getting estimates on the cost of painting the water tower for a 2023 project.

The safety deposit box was discussed and it was agreed that Lisa, Randy, and Kevin should be on the approved list to enter, with 2 people required to be there at a time. Motion by Alderperson Muller and seconded by Alderman Dodge. Motion carried.

Midwest Assistance is offering a Finance Officer and Elected Official training in Tyndall on September 13, 2022. Lisa requested to go as well as Alderman Berndt and Alderperson Muller.

It is necessary to update the GoldenWest and Verizon accounts to reflect new staff. It was decided that Lisa, Kevin and Joe will be on the GoldenWest account, and Lisa, Kevin, Joe, and Laine will be on the Verizon account.

Police Chief Laine Schryvers reported on the last month of calls and any issues that arose. He did request some additional supplies which will be ordered as needed.

Motion was made by Alderperson Muller and seconded by Alderman Berndt to move into executive session at 9:08pm.

Council moved out of executive session at 10:28pm.

Motion by Alderperson Muller and seconded by Alderman Berndt to rescind the approval for Lisa to attend the SDML Conference. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Muller to give Dan Knoll a .50 cent raise as he has reached the end of his probation period. His new rate of pay will be \$16.25 beginning September 1, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Muller and seconded by Alderman Berndt to adjourn at 10:30pm. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be October 3, 2022 at 7:00 pm.