

The Estelline City Council met on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at the Estelline City Office. Those present included Mayor Zafft, Ryan Miller, Josh Cokens, Cheryl Squires, Mike Gunderson, Julie Rieckman, Mary Saathoff, Mike Ward, Jenna Aderhold, Dean Skoglund and Kalena Sternhagen.

Mayor Zafft called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to adopt the agenda was made by J. Rieckman, second by M. Gunderson. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Open Public Session:

Kalena Sternhagen presented her concerns with the amount of water that flows by their house and the potential damage that it could cause. The Mayor explained that we are in the process of getting some bids for possible rerouting of the water flow and that this year's extreme amount of snow did contribute to the problem.

The minutes of the March 6th and March 18th meetings were presented for approval. Motion by J. Cokens, second by C. Squires to approve the meeting minutes as printed. With all voting aye, motion carried.

The Financial/Super Saver statements for the City and Estelline Nursing & Care Center were approved with a motion by J. Rieckman, second by J. Cokens. With all voting aye, motion carried. The monthly bills for the City and Estelline Nursing & Care Center were reviewed. Motion was made by J. Rieckman, second by C. Squires to approve all bills presented. With all voting aye, motion carried.

City Bills approved included:

AMBULANCE

ITC, telephone \$46.99; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, billing fees \$102.04; AT & T, cell phone \$67.10; Nursing & Care Center, pchs serv \$56.32; First Net, cell phone \$42.66; Physio-Control Inc., service plan \$208.92; A-Ox Welding, oxygen \$58.88;

PUBLICATIONS

Estelline Journal, minutes \$126.93;

LEGAL

Boyd Law Firm, legal fees \$180.00;

ELECTRIC

WAPA, power \$13,528.98; Heartland, power \$25,261.71; East River, transmission \$3005.41; ITC, load mgmt. internet \$87.85; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$3,735.24; Office Peeps, supplies \$90.42; WESCO, meter \$315.00; AT & T, cell phone \$32.42; US Postal Service, envelopes/postage \$633.65;

BUILDING

Light & Power, utilities \$1326.85; ITC, telephone \$57.77; Star Laundry, rug rental \$25.17; Karen Warborg, maint. \$225.00; Chesterman Company, supplies \$18.00; Menards, supplies \$60.38; Scotting Heating & Cooling, service call \$81.60;

FIRE

Light & Power, utilities \$88.14;

MAYOR & COUNCIL

Donald Zafft, council fee/governing board \$475.00; Ryan Miller, council fee/governing board \$150.00; Mike Gunderson, council fee/governing board \$175.00; Julie Rieckman, council fee/governing board \$150.00; Cheryl Squires, council fee/governing board \$150.00; Josh Cokens, council fee/governing board \$150.00;

FINANCE OFFICE

ITC, telephone \$215.63; Light & Power, utilities \$655.18; Office Peeps, supplies \$23.65; Independent Audit Service, annual report \$900.00; CNA Surety, bond ins \$373.50; wages \$6979.88;

SOLID WASTE

Cook's Wastepaper, garbage collection \$4693.23; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$270.71;

POLICE

Hamlin County, contract law \$3900.00;

SEWER

Light & Power, utilities \$326.46; Pipe Masters, clean lift station \$649.50; wages \$5173.50;

STREET

Light & Power, utilities \$546.82; Nitteberg Construction, snow removal Feb & March, \$11974.80;

WATER

Light & Power, utilities \$630.77; SD Dept of Health, samples \$43.00; Elite Drain & Sewer, frozen water line \$280.50; Hawkins, chemicals \$524.30;

SIGN

Light & Power, utilities \$22.37; AT & T, wireless \$68.98;

REFLECTION PARK

Light & Power, utilities \$30.30;

MISC.

Equipment Super Savers, equipment savings acct. \$4983.34; Wellmark Blue Cross, health insurance \$1192.46; Delta Dental, insurance \$62.40; American Family, insurance \$235.05; SD Retirement, retirement \$1458.44; Flex One Account, cafeteria plan \$192.00; Avesis, vision ins. \$17.22; Petty Cash, replenish fund \$31.93; EMC Ins., liability ins. \$11,071.50.

ENCC Payables: \$60,140.85

ENCC Payroll: \$178,419.94

Mayor Zafft reported there were some water lines that froze due to residents not running their water as advised. An updated Estelline Fire Department roster has been received for work comp purposes.

ENCC had a loss of \$35,374.15 for the month of March with a three payroll period. Census remains at 55. The State inspection is due at any time. Prom will be at the nursing home this Friday, April 6th. A 10% increase in the Medicaid rate from the State is effective for April 1, 2019. Mike is continuing to work with the Legislature on leveling the pay rates across the state.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Dean Skoglund, Skoglund Insurance Agency, presented the insurance review for 2019-2020. There is a small increase due mainly to the increase in some property values. Motion was made by M. Gunderson, second by J. Cokens to renew our insurance policies with Skoglund Insurance for the 2019-2020 year.

With all voting aye, motion carried.

The Election Board Judge and Clerks were presented for approval as follows: JoAnne Foster, judge; Marjorie Warborg and Diane Bombeck, clerks. Motion by R. Miller, second by J. Rieckman to approve.

With all voting aye, motion carried.

The 2018 Annual Report was presented for approval. Motion was made by R. Miller, second by C.

Squires to approve. With all voting aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by J. Cokens, second by J. Rieckman to move into Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 6:45 PM for Wage Review, Personnel. With all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Zafft declared out of Executive Session at 7:09 PM.

Motion by J. Rieckman, second by M. Gunderson to approve the ENCC wage review as presented. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Wages Presented for Approval:

Maggie Halling, CNA, \$14.15

Alyle Hendricks, Dietary Aide \$10.77

Amanda Holter, CNA, \$14.44

Shelley Jurgens, Dietary Aide \$10.77

Allison Risseuw, RN \$28.57

Donna Thompson, RN \$28.57

New Hires:

Hannah Mickey, NA \$11.89

Jackee Lunden, NA \$11.89

Cynthia Jacobo, NA \$11.89

With there being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:10 PM was made by J. Cokens, second by C. Squires. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Donald Zafft, Mayor

Mary Saathoff, Finance Officer