

The Estelline City Council met on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at the Estelline City Office. Those present included Mayor Zafft, Ryan Miller, Josh Cokens, Cheryl Squires, Mike Gunderson, Ross Brandsrud, Julie Rieckman, Mary Saathoff, Mike Ward and Jenna Aderhold. Also present: Sheriff Chad Schlotterbeck, Attorney John Delzer, Linda Salmonson, Craig Harms, Tammy Krein. Mayor Zafft called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of 11A: Speed Display Signs was made by J. Cokens, second by R. Brandsrud. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Open Public Session pursuant to SCL 1-25-1:

No one present.

The minutes of the February 5th and February 26th meetings were presented for approval. Motion by J. Rieckman, 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 R. Miller. With all voting aye, motion carried. The monthly bills for the City and Estelline Nursing & Care Center were reviewed. Motion was made by M. Gunderson, second by J. Cokens to approve all bills presented. With all voting aye, motion carried.

City Bills approved included:

AMBULANCE

ITC, telephone \$47.29; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, billing fees \$77.06; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, pchs serv \$29.71; AT & T, cell phone \$47.29; First Net wireless/phones \$84.51; Donna Thompson, conference/mileage \$511.96; matt Willis, mileage \$77.70; Jim Taylor, mileage \$77.70; Estelline Community Oil, fuel/maintenance \$279.70;

PUBLICATIONS

Estelline Journal, minutes \$69.09;

LEGAL

Delzer Law Firm, legal fees \$130.00;

ELECTRIC

WAPA, power \$12976.83; Heartland, power \$27875.97; East River, transmission \$2944.55; ITC, load mgmt. internet \$88.85; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$3820.84; Office Peeps, supplies \$47.60; wages \$3814.54;

BUILDING

Light & Power, utilities \$1166.94; ITC, telephone \$55.89; Star Laundry, rug rental \$11.06; Karen Warborg, maint \$225.00; Chesterfield Co. supplies \$36.00; Menards, supplies \$95.93; Wards Store, supplies \$8.28;

FIRE

Light & Power, utilities \$92.86; Estelline Community Oil, fuel/LP \$658.49;

MAYOR & COUNCIL

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

FINANCE OFFICE

ITC, telephone \$164.23; wages \$5080.04; Light & Power, utilities \$599.09; Office Peeps, supplies \$11.56;

SOLID WASTE

Cook's Wastepaper, garbage collection \$4678.91; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$269.05;

POLICE

Hamlin County, contract law \$3900.00;

SEWER

Light & Power, utilities \$450.63;

STREET

Light & Power, utilities \$610.11; Nitteberg Construction, snow removal Jan & Feb. \$4622.30; Titan Machinery, mirror-dump truck \$51.44; Dales Sinclair, battery \$152.95; Estelline Community Oil, fuel/supplies \$902.15; John Deere, oil \$80.07;

WATER

Light & Power, utilities \$635.50; SD Dept of Health, samples \$28.00; First Net, cell phone \$47.29;

SIGN

Light & Power, utilities \$21.71; AT & T, wireless \$65.00;

REFLECTION PARK

Light & Power, utilities \$19.74;

MISC.

Equipment Super Savers, equipment savings acct. \$4983.34; Wellmark Blue Cross, health insurance \$1307.64; Delta Dental, insurance \$62.40; American Family, insurance \$184.95; SD Retirement, retirement \$1067.34; Flex One Account, cafeteria plan \$196.00; Avesis, vision ins. \$17.22; Ins. Account, funding \$250.00; Petty Cash, replenish fund \$19.50; Lyle Signs, no left turn signs \$103.34.

ENCC Payables: \$68,102.23

ENCC Payroll: \$132,464.57

Mayor Zafft reported no major issues in the city at this time. The signs are up on Main Street regarding crossing double yellow lines in reference to Ordinance 8-3-8.

ENCC had a gain of \$71,272.94 for the month of February. Census is at 56. Painting is in progress at the nursing home. Health precautions are already in place with regard to all viruses.

Cheryl Squires gave a report on Estelline Area Economic Development. Lots owned by Economic Development will be surveyed and replotted. Healthy Hometown will be back on April 7th at 6 PM at the firehall.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Sheriff Chad Schlotterbeck gave a review of the current contract we have with Hamlin County for Contract Law and advised that the County Commissioners would like to ask for a \$1.00 per hour increase for the 2021 year. This would make our contract at \$4,030 per month which is an increase of \$130 monthly. Motion was made by J. Cokens, second by C. Squires to approve renewal of the 2021 contract with increase of \$1.00 per hour. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Sheriff Schlotterbeck also presented information on speed display signs which would be placed along Highway 28 thru town. He will be getting additional information regarding total costs and will present this at the April meeting.

Resolution No. 2020-03 – Violations/Fine schedule was presented for approval. Motion was made by R. Miller, second by C. Squires to approve. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Quotes were presented for a salt sand container to be built by the city shop. The costs far exceeded the cost spent on salt sand yearly and this item was tabled at this time.

Attorney John Delzer gave the council information on the Abatement of a Nuisance process and the steps that should be followed.

A motion was made by M. Gunderson, second by R. Brandsrud to move into Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) (5) at 6:35 PM for Wage Review –ENCC and Marketing. With all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Zafft declared out of Executive Session at 7:37 PM.

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

Wages Presented for Approval:

Katie Archer, Dietary Aide \$11.05

Kodi Rust, Dietary Tech \$14.35

Cynthia Jacobo, CNA \$14.72

Jackee Lunden, CNA \$14.72

Hannah Mickey, CNA \$14.72
Patricia Ward, DON \$40.54

New Hires:

Lucia Santiago, Hskp \$12.00
Chauntel Stenersen, Diet. Aide \$10.45
Tamara Minder, RN \$28.64
Dawn Semmler, Hskp \$12.00

With there being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:38 PM was made by J. Rieckman, second by M. Gunderson. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Donald Zafft, Mayor

Mary Saathoff, Finance Officer