

The Estelline City Council met on Wednesday, June 3, 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 Austin Suther.

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 pursuant to SCL 1-25-1:

No one present.

The minutes of the May 6th meeting 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 M. Gunderson, second by C. Squires. 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 J. Cokens to approve all bills presented. With all voting aye, motion carried.

City Bills approved included:

AMBULANCE

ITC, telephone \$47.09; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, billing fees \$151.05; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, pchs serv \$207.97; AT & T, cell phone \$47.24; First Net wireless/phones \$84.51; Donna Thompson, fees \$12.00; A-Ox Welding, oxygen \$39.22;

PUBLICATIONS

Estelline Journal, minutes/notices \$399.39;

LEGAL

Delzer Law Firm, legal fees \$130.00;

ELECTRIC

WAPA, power \$10218.36; Heartland, power \$17161.97; East River, transmission \$2364.59; ITC, load mgmt. internet \$88.85; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$2675.56; Office Peeps, supplies \$459.96; Post office, box rent \$64.00; Ted Borstad, refund \$12670; US Postal Service, envelopes/postage \$667.05;

BUILDING

Light & Power, utilities \$693.63; ITC, telephone \$56.00; Star Laundry, rug rental \$11.06; Karen Warborg, maint \$225.00; Wards Store, supplies \$21.66;

FIRE

Light & Power, utilities \$87.16;

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 \$175.00; 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 \$150.69; wages \$5151.88; Light & Power, utilities \$188.11; Office Peeps, supplies \$40.97;

SOLID WASTE

Cook's Wastepaper, garbage collection \$4657.88; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$267.69;

POLICE

Hamlin County, contract law \$3900.00;

SEWER

Light & Power, utilities \$244.92;

STREET

Light & Power, utilities \$351.98; Popham Construction, street sweeping \$2635.00;

WATER

Light & Power, utilities \$447.75; SD Dept of Health, samples \$28.00; Hawkins, chemicals \$443.70; DENR, drinking water fee \$260.00; wages \$3799.83;

PARK

Donald Zafft, supplies \$109.47; Dales Sinclair, gasoline \$107.10; Russ Saathoff, mowing \$442.25; Karen Warborg, maint. \$75.00; Lowes, flowers \$128.36; Medary Acres, flowers \$189.21;

SIGN

Light & Power, utilities \$25.19; AT & T, wireless \$64.12; Stein Sign Display, repairs \$105.00;

REFLECTION PARK

Light & Power, utilities \$17.64;

LANDFILL

Wages, 405.72; First net, cell phone \$47.24; Denny Papka, clean up at site \$75.00;

POOL

Menards, water heater \$478.04; Office Peeps, supplies \$420.00; Hawkins, chemicals \$1118.18; Bauman Electric, repairs \$126.16.

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 \$1074.20; Flex One Account, cafeteria plan \$196.00; Avesis, vision ins. \$17.22; Ins. Account, funding \$250.00; Petty Cash, replenish fund \$37.95; EMC, liability ins. \$11324.75.

ENCC Payables: \$75,958.40

ENCC Payroll: \$135,203.07

Mayor Zafft reported that the speed signs have been installed; the pool has been busy and a new chemical controller has been installed; there are several yards that need to be mowed in town and letters will be sent to them; horses have been reported to be in the park, ballfield and on private property; some people have been discharging grass into the city streets causing the drains to be blocked; landfill has been busy; sewer pumps have been running less hours.

ENCC had a gain of \$224,695.70 for the month of May due to funding that all nursing homes in the state received for COVID-19 issues. Census is at 54. All COVID testing of staff and residents has been done. Cheryl Squires gave a report on Estelline Area Economic Development. Meeting was held on May 21st. Surveying has been completed on the lots owned by EDAC. Tammy Krein checking into the possibility of having some movie nights. Healthy Hometown has not been here due to COVID-19. Discussed possibly doing something on our own here in Estelline. Next meeting June 25th at 5:30.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Per work comp regulations, the ambulance service member listing was presented and approved with a motion by J. Rieckman. Second by J. Cokens. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Concrete repair quotes for 6th & Davis and 6th & Catlett were presented from Hofer Construction for \$9,500, Mack Concrete for \$9,989.81, and Thompson Concrete for \$7,000. Motion was made by J. Cokens, second by C. Squires to accept the Thompson Concrete quote for \$7,000. With J. Cokens, C. Squires, R. Brandsrud, J. Rieckman, and M. Gunderson voting aye, and R. Miller voting nay, motion carried.

A Development Lot Agreement was presented for approval. This is a new agreement for homeowners that own adjacent lots, eliminating the need to replatt their lots into one. Motion by R. Miller, second by J. Cokens to approve. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Building permits were presented as follows:

Kevin Holter - fence

Patrick Fitzpatrick – 22’ x 19’ concrete driveway and 2’ x 14’ sidewalk

Austin Suther – 28’ x 30 detached garage

Estelline Coop Grain – 110’ x 250’ concrete & steel building

Eric Bass – new house

Motion was made by J. Cokens, second by R. Miller to approve. With all voting aye, motion carried.

A quote was presented from T & R Electric for a 500 KVA pad mount transformer. Motion was made by R. Miller, second by M. Gunderson to approve. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Swimming lessons for the 2020 season were discussed. Motion was made by M. Gunderson, second by R. Brandsrud to not offer swimming lessons this year due to the COVID-19 issue. 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 –ENCC and City. With all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Zafft declared out of Executive Session at 7:15 PM.

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

Wages Presented for Approval:

Makenzie Hendricks, Dietary Aide \$10.77

Samantha Kjenstad, Dietary Aide \$11.37

Pamela Shultis, Act. Aide \$15.04

Heather Hall, Pool Co-Mgr. \$15.00

Mayhle Hausman, Pool Co-Mgr. \$15.00

Harrison Wagner, Lifeguard \$10.66

Marcis Hausman, Lifeguard \$10.66

Kaytlyn Hawley, Lifeguard \$10.66

Riley Benning, Lifeguard \$10.40

Sophie Hall, Lifeguard \$10.40

Kathryn Wegner, Lifeguard \$10.25

With there being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:16 PM was made by J. Cokens, second by C. Squires. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Donald Zafft, Mayor

Mary Saathoff, Finance Officer