

The Estelline City Council met on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at the Estelline City Office. Those present included Mayor Zafft, Ryan Miller, Cheryl Squires, Josh Cokens, Mike Gunderson, Ross Brandsrud, Julie Rieckman, Mary Saathoff, Mike Ward and Jenna Aderhold.

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 item #11A – Redhawk Booster Club 5K Fundraiser, was made by J. Rieckman, second by J. Cokens. With all voting aye, motion carried.

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

Mike Ward, Rodeo Club president, announced that the rodeo will be June 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> and there will be a car show this year and they are looking for a place to hold that. They are also looking for several local people for the food vendors. If there are any groups or organizations that are interested, please contact the rodeo club.

The minutes of the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting were presented for approval. Motion by J. Rieckman, second by C. Squires to approve the meeting minutes as presented. 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 R. Miller, second by M. Gunderson. 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 \$91.67; AT & T, cell phone \$45.69; Estelline Nursing & Care Center, billing fees \$16.83; First Net, wireless \$80.08; Ninety Four Services, AC/heat unit \$619.68; Estelline Community Oil, fuel \$85.30; Bound Tree, supplies \$70.44

PUBLICATIONS

Estelline Journal, minutes/notices \$214.91;

LEGAL

Delzer Law Firm, legal fees \$130.00;

ELECTRIC

WAPA, power \$13159.27; Heartland, power \$17363.21; East River, transmission \$2857.68; ITC, load mgmt. internet \$88.85; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$3278.74; Office Peeps, supplies \$67.20; SD One Call, locates \$26.25; wages \$4360.14;

BUILDING

ITC, telephone \$60.07; Light & Power, utilities \$1054.17; Menards, supplies \$176.10; Marjorie Warborg, maint. \$195.00; Wards store, supplies \$5.00; Estelline Community Oil, supplies \$281.21;

FIRE

Light & Power, utilities \$93.58; Estelline Community Oil, fuel \$19.75;

MAYOR & COUNCIL

Donald Zafft, council fee/governing board \$475.00; Ryan Miller, council fee/governing board \$150.00; 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 \$175.00;

FINANCE OFFICE

ITC, telephone \$156.92; Light & Power, utilities \$391.99; Office Peeps, supplies \$8.28; wages \$5638.59;

SOLID WASTE

Cook's Wastepaper, garbage collection \$4,767.90; SD Dept of Revenue, sales tax \$274.08;

POLICE

Hamlin County, contract law \$4030.00;

SEWER

Light & Power, utilities \$302.50;

STREET

Light & Power, utilities \$592.52; Core & Main, hydrant repairs \$291.98; Estelline Community Oil, fuel \$429.39; wages \$3622.80;

## LANDFILL

AT& T, cell phone \$45.69; Dales Sinclair, bo-mag parts/repairs \$177.06; Runnings, bo-mag parts/repairs \$135.71; Macksteel Warehouse, bo-mag parts/repairs \$542.38; Titan Machinery, bo-mag parts/repairs \$185.50; SIGN

Light & Power, utilities \$20.01; AT & T, wireless \$58.73;

## REFLECTION PARK

Light & Power, utilities \$5.25;

## WATER

Light & Power, utilities \$543.76; SD Dept of Health, samples \$28.00; Hawkins, chemicals \$684.09;

## MISC.

Equipment Super Savers, equipment savings acct. \$4983.34; Wellmark Blue Cross, health insurance \$1440.04; Delta Dental, insurance \$93.60; American Family, insurance \$347.71; SD Retirement, retirement \$1634.60; Flex One Account, cafeteria plan \$152.30; Avesis, vision ins. \$23.06; Ins. Account, funding \$250.00; Petty Cash, replenish fund \$63.90.

ENCC Payables: \$51,175.50

ENCC Payroll: \$145,861.00

Mayor Zafft reported that the BoMag is back in running order. Snow removal is being done as necessary. A small remodel job was completed at the clinic. Zeb Gilbertson was at Water Distribution classes this week in Brookings. ENCC had a gain of \$10,715.28 for the month of January. The current census is at 48. They still have staffing needs. Some personnel are out with Covid.

Cheryl Squires reported on the Estelline Area Economic Development meeting. Linda Salmonson went to the County Commissioners meeting where Clint Powell gave an update on the Hydrology study. Linda will also be attending a Board Development meeting in Pierre on February 22 & 23<sup>rd</sup>. Healthy Hometown was at the meeting on January 26<sup>th</sup> and will come back to the next meeting March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm.

## New Business:

The Redhawk Booster Club will be having a 5K Fundraiser on March 12. They had a request to block off some areas of Main Street. Motion was made by J. Rieckman, second by J. Cokens to allow them to block off either the block north of the Legion or one-half of the street on the block in front of Reliabank. With all voting aye, motion carried.

Water line replacement for 2022 was discussed. Motion was made by J. Cokens, second by R. Miller to approve doing Pollard Ave and possible two blocks on 5<sup>th</sup> Street N. or up to the limit allowed for non-bidding replacement. With all voting aye, motion carried.

The 2022 Street project was also discussed. Motion was made by R. Miller, second by R. Brandsrud to approve putting this project out for bid. With all voting aye, motion carried.

A building permit for Sodak Construction and Kelen Bludorn was presented for approval. Motion by R. Miller, second by J. Cokens to approve the permit pending an application for a variance if needed. With all voting aye, motion carried.

The first reading of Ordinance 9-1-26 Water Rate Increase was held. The second reading will be March 2, 2022.

The first reading of Ordinance 9-1-28 Sewer Rate Increase was held. The second reading will be March 2, 2022.

A motion was made by R. Brandsrud, second by J. Rieckman to move into Executive Session as per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) at 7:07 PM for Wage Review/Personnel. With all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Zafft declared out of Executive Session at 7:58 PM.

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

ENCC

New Hires:

Pamela Bates, Hskp \$15.00

Lana Niemann, Hskp \$15.00

Suzanna Perez, Hskp \$15.25

With there being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:59 PM was made by J. Rieckman, second by J. Cokens. With all voting aye, motion carried.

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Donald Zafft, Mayor

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Mary Saathoff, Finance Officer