

HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023
REGULAR MEETING @ 6.00pm

ROLL CALL: Holsworth called the meeting to order on Monday, June 5th at 6.00 pm with the following members present: Henrichsen (absent), Holsworth, Kramer, Schumack. Also present: Chuck Ferguson, Mitch Johnson and citizens. Pledge of Allegiance led by Dan Holsworth.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made, seconded to approve agenda as presented; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made, seconded to approve May 16th, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION: None

CLAIMS A & B Business equipment Inc.: Monthly printer/Fax fee \$629.63; Black Hills Cooperation Inc.: Utilities-Electric 05/2023 \$2,860.79; Chuck Ferguson: Monthly agreement 04/2023, inspections & move STOP sign \$2,910.00; D&R Service Inc.: Air conditioner maintenance \$380.09; GovOffice: Website Annual fee \$667.80; Johnson law office: Legal advice/board meet \$1,037.00; Metering & Technology solutions: Twist tight extensions/meters \$1,422.67; Miller construction: 50 Ton Base course \$1,071.00; Mt. Rushmore telephone: Phone/Internet/Fax \$263.67; Pioneer bank & Trust: Adobe software-monthly fee/Bank charge for 2 signature acct. \$45.89; Rural Development: RD1 loan-June interest/principal \$1,278.00; RD2 loan-June interest/principal \$417.00; RD3 loan-June interest/principal \$222.00; SD Dept. of Revenue: Half of Malt bev. fee \$300.00; SD Municipal league: Budget training registration fee \$30.00; Accounts Payable Total: \$13,535.54. Payroll related: Paid On: 5/30/23 Legislative \$525.33, Financial administration \$2,807.17; Gen. Gov't buildings \$135.06, Water \$526.43, Sewer \$232.88, Promoting City/ BBB \$77.63; EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax: FED/FICA TAX \$1,183.47; South Dakota Retirement System: \$888.04. Total Payroll related: \$6,376.01 REPORT TOTAL: \$19,911.55. GENERAL \$11,022.53, BBB GROSS RECIPTS TAX \$354.18, WATER \$6,263.97, SEWER \$2,270.87. Motion made, seconded to approve claims list as presented; Vote: all ayes motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: April's Custer County Log included in the meeting packet to show that the report has more detail to it, showing the street names for the calls. Complaints addressed.

LEGAL: None.

ENGINEER: Water Rehab Project (WRT System)- submittal is being prepared-pending. Hermosa Sidewalk Project-pending. Sewer Project (Lagoon design & expansion) – comments addressed and designs to be resubmitted by the end of the week to DANR for review and approval. Concern for high Ammonia levels being addressed by engineer, additional testing requested. Motion made, seconded to take samples from the manholes throughout the town each day for one week to help determine the source of high Ammonia levels in the lagoons, Chuck Ferguson to be reimbursed for above and beyond work to be done, time and milage for taking samples and delivering it to Midcontinent Lab; Vote: all ayes, motion carried. Water/Sewer Facility Plans and Black Hills Council of Local Governments-pending. Town of Hermosa water and sewer extension project-pending. Hermosa Hills drainage-awaiting final walk-through, after the light is installed on Walter street and gravel issues addressed. Whitney street drainage- continued monitoring the situation. Facility plans for booster, water meters and Rural development - pending. Motion made, seconded to remove I. Roy's drive-in from the agenda; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING: Permit 2022-25-Digging/Row– pending. Permit 2023-06–commercial remodeling permit application – pending.

PUBLIC WORKS: Streets, streetlights, water, sewer update report by Chuck Ferguson. Public works agreement – pending. No expenses for Chuck Irvine's training. Stop sign on Walter street has been moved, gravel-pending. Motion made, seconded to allow to order 6 loads of gravel to continue working on street repairs; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly financials for the month of May presented in the packet. Department updates: Final Audit results for 2021 will be available in June. Monika Serviss will be attending Finance officers school 06/07/2023-06/09/2023 in Pierre. Certification of Election results is scheduled for Monday 06/12/2023 @6 pm BOT Special meeting. New board members to be sworn into the office on 06/20/2023 BOT Regular meeting @6pm. SDPAA renewal – pending. Grants – pending. Animal license revenue: suggested donation to Battle Mountain Humane society from the pet licensing fund. Board suggested to contact them and inquire about invoicing the Town for provided services instead of fixed donation each year. FO's relative coming for a visit from Lithuania, requested to adjust work hours for that time. Motion made, seconded to allow Monika Serviss work from 7am to 3 pm during the period of 07/01/2023-07/26/2023; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Annexation: Gumbo Lilly, Fairgrounds Place, McDermand Street-pending. Town Sign- pending. Town Office and Library deck Staining-pending. Hermosa connects- next meeting at the Hermosa coffee house on June 14th, 2023 @8.30am. Main

focus of the group at this time is Farmer's Market & Vendor Fair scheduled for June 24th. Requested to close part of 2nd street down to Vilas street for the event. Discussion held. Motion made, seconded to close the 2nd street starting at Main street down to Vilas street leaving access coming out of 1st street for emergency vehicles on June 24th, 2023 from 7AM to 5PM, contact law enforcement to ensure extra patrol and inform fire department of the event; Vote: all ayes, motion carried. Information about Hermosa Connects group and upcoming events can be found at www.hermosaconnects.com website as well as Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS: Law enforcement: Contract with Custer County sheriff's department is up for renewal on July 22,2023. Town hiring it's own Police officer to serve the town is an option that is considered and the position will be advertised to see if there are any possible candidates. At the same time will be working with Custer County towards the renewal process in case the town cannot find a licensed police officer. Motion made, seconded to allow advertising for the police officer's position for the Town of Hermosa; Vote: all ayes, motion carried. Possibility of sidewalk extension from Ingalls Blvd to American Legion discussed. Motion made, seconded for the purpose of discussion to let DOT know the town is in favor to extend the sidewalk; Vote: 3 nays, motion failed. Discussion held. Because the project is outside town limits, the board expressed concerns that the in-town residents should not be paying maintenance fees. Suggested to contact 2 entities that the sidewalk would benefit the most and ask if they would consider covering maintenance fees or at least a part of it. Motion made, seconded to contact Richard Zacher and ask if the project costs will be covered by DOT 100%? Is it going to be a 6' wide sidewalk and if the 5 lights installed will be LED? Contact St. Michael's Church and Hermosa senior center to gather information on their position on this matter; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: Audience had input.

TRUSTEE INPUT: Great meeting and information.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN: Motion made, seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7.21pm; Vote: all ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Dan Holsworth, Town Board President

Monika Serviss, Finance Officer

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