

HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00pm

ROLL CALL: Henrichsen called the meeting to order on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Ferguson, Henrichsen, Holsworth, Kramer and Koontz. Attorney Hagg and interested citizens also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Henrichsen.

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

SPECIAL ITEMS: meeting protocol presented. Motion made and seconded to remove Item C from agenda; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made and seconded to approve April 16, 2024; minutes with the correction of vendor fair date to be June 22, 2024 under old business, April 30, 2024 Special Meeting minutes as presented and amend March 18, 2024, Board of Equalization minutes with the correction of Parcel #015346 land value changed to \$16,274 under current and final value and current valuation total changed to \$351,286: vote: all ayes, motion carried.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION: All board members are responsible for refraining from discussion and voting on issues where they may have a conflict of interest.

ENGINEER: Lagoon bidding and construction management and engineering staff reports/office support now being handled by Benesch. Highway 79 sewer repair bidding and construction management is pending. Motion and second to approve agreement from Benesch for Lagoon Expansion; vote: all ayes, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to approve proposal from Benesch for disinfecting lagoon water for irrigation (and meet DANR permit requirements) with selection of Peragreen 22WW vendor drum in the amount of \$1052 and S420 Series Pump in the amount of \$1380 and additional freight cost; vote: all ayes, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to table and move Comprehensive Plan, TIF District proposal and Rate Methodology Model proposals from Benesch to the next work session; vote: 2 ayes, 3 nays, motion failed.

Motion and seconded to approve the Rate Methodology Model from Benesch in the amount of \$5500 and move Comprehensive Plan and TIF District proposals to the next work session; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

PLANNING AND ZONING: Permit 2024-15 – MM moving/digging/ROW/WT/ST – Is exception needed for 14' rear setback (current ordinance requires 15'). Motion made and seconded to approve Permit 2024-15 rear setback being met with measurement being taken from foundation rather than end of actual manufactured home; vote: all ayes, motion carried. Permit 2024-16 – Informational Permit – Request for letter from BOT stating it is acceptable to operate a used car lot at Farmhouse Vintage & Design and is in conformance with all applicable building codes, zoning, and land use ordinances. Motion made and seconded to approve Permit 2024-16; vote: all ayes, motion carried. Mainstreet Fireworks LLC – Permission to operate a fireworks stand at the Corner Pantry – 25 N. Heartland. Motion made and seconded to approve operation of fireworks stand at the Corner Pantry; vote: all aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS: Motion made and seconded to remove Item A from the agenda under Claims; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to remove Items A, B & C from the agenda under Planning & Zoning and remove Items C, D, & E from the agenda under Engineer; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to approve Payroll and Claims as presented; vote: all ayes, motion carried. A & B BUSINESS, Monthly printer/fax fee, \$655.74; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP, Utilities-Electric 3/2024, \$2,797.79; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP, New street light – Whitney Street, \$2,551.03; CITY OF HOT SPRINGS, Wastewater service, \$688.20; TERRI CORNELSION, Office supplies, \$31.82 DSG-DAKOT SUPPLY GROUP, Street lights, \$1,416.96; CHUCK FERGUSON, April 2024 services, \$3,120 and dig up meter/free up value/locates, \$1,396; GWORKS, Front Desk – 50 additional users, \$329; HILLS SEPTIC, lagoon pumping, \$15,930; JOHNSON LAW OFFICE, BOT meeting, email/review legal documents, \$657.61; PIONEER BANK & TRUST, pump repair/shop light/office supplies, \$2,250.43; SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, half of malt beverage fees, \$300; SOUTHERN HILLS PUBLISHING, Publishing/Legal notices 04/24, \$144.77; SUMMIT SIGNS AND SUPPLY INC, speed limit sign, \$223.50; VANWAY TROPHY & AWARD, Name plate -Koontz, 24.50; **Accounts Payable Total: \$ 32,517.35.** Payroll related: Total Paid On: 4/30/24: General, \$5,425.22, Water, \$406.66, Sewer, \$152.67, Promoting City/ BBB, \$50.89, EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax, FED/FICA TAX, \$1,492.59, HEALTH POOL OF SD, Admin single health 4/24 & Life insurance, \$1,984.75, SD Retirement System, \$875.10. **Total Payroll**

Related Paid: \$10,387.88. Utility Deposit Refunds: Thomas Mandarino, \$51.99; Brent Wurdeman, \$33.55; Tatianne Clark \$76.73. **Deposit Refund Total: \$162.27. REPORT TOTAL: \$43,067.50.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Custer County log in packet. Ferguson gave an update on conversation she had with Sheriff Mechaley. Abatements – no further action will be taken on current abatements/letters of complaint until a work session is completed. Motion made and seconded to set the work session for Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 6 p.m.; vote: 4 aye, 1 nay, motion carried.

LEGAL: Kent Hagg was in attendance and stated he will be available during the interim of seeking a new attorney.

PUBLIC WORKS: Ferguson provided updates on streets, water, and sewer departments. Bolted Tank Interior Floor Reseal, pending. Open Work Orders (Attached), ongoing. PACE Contract, pending and still scheduled for May. Ferguson discussed ordering “slow down” signs to deter speeders. Motion made and seconded to do nothing with the slow down signs; vote: 2 aye, 2 nay, 1 abstain, motion failed.

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly financials will be presented at the next meeting on May 21, 2024. Finance Officer Cornelison provided information on the Town of Hermosa policy only designating that pay day is on the 15th and last day of each month. When a pay day falls on a weekend or holiday, that pay day is moved up to the first banking day prior. Motion made and seconded to change pay periods to end on the 5th and 21st of each month ; vote: all aye, motion carried. Information was reviewed on pricing for GWorks upgrade. Cornelison was instructed to get pricing on the HR module only and bring to the next meeting. Motion made and seconded to approve \$75 registration fee, meals and mileage for Cornelison to attend the Finance Officer School in Spearfish, SD, on June 12-14, 2024; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to approve \$30 registration fee, meals and mileage for Cornelison to attend Budget Training in Rapid City, SD, on June 18, 2024; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Hermosa Connects meets the second Monday of each month at 9a.m. at the Hermosa Coffee House. Motion made and seconded to remove Item B under Old Business; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to remove Item C under Old Business; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to rescind Resolution 06-2023; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to remove Item D under Old Business from agenda; vote: all aye, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Gravel on Tower Road is pending. Kramer will not be attending the Custer County Commission meeting on May 8, 2024. The vendor permit fees will be discussed at the next work session on May 22, 2024. Discussion was held on supplementing the general fund budget for other expenses which has been used for the TNR program. Motion made and seconded to keep the budget where it currently at; motion died for a lack of a second. Motion made and seconded to supplement the general fund other expense budget by \$500; vote: 4 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to remove Item D under New Business from the agenda; vote: all aye, motion carried.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: Audience had input.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Tabled until the next meeting on May 21, 2024.

ADJOURN: Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:19 pm, vote: all ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Terri Cornelison
Finance Officer

Vicki Henrichsen
Town Board President