

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00pm**

ROLL CALL: Henrichsen called the meeting to order on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 6.00 pm with the following members present: Ferguson, Henrichsen, Holsworth and Kramer. Styles attended by phone. Attorney Johnson also present. Interested citizens also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Vicki Henrichsen.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made and seconded to move Brosz Engineering to after agenda Item 5; vote; all ayes, motion carried.

SPECIAL ITEMS: Meeting protocol presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made and seconded to approve November 21, 2023, BOT regular meeting minutes; vote; 3 ayes, Holsworth no, motion carried.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION: Board members are responsible to refrain from discussion and voting on agenda items that they may have a conflict of interest with.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS: A representative from Brosz Engineering was present to discuss their findings on the North Second St bridge. The bridge, overall, is in good condition. One of the spalls exposes rebar and should be patched or painted with epoxy. It is possible this could be done in house. Motion made and seconded to approve move item to future agenda; vote; all ayes.

CLAIMS: Motion made and seconded to approve December 5, 2023, Payroll and Claims; discussion. Vote; all ayes, motion carried. A & B BUSINESS EQUIPMENT INC, MONTHLY PRINTER/FAX FEE, \$547.28; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP. Inc, Utilities/Electric 11/2023, \$2911.83; CHUCK FERGUSON, Monthly agreement 11/2023, \$2,600.00; GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES, Monthly Service-Dec 2023, \$576.00; JOHNSON LAW OFFICE, BOT mtg, email, revu, contract, \$1,699.79; SANDERS SANITATION, MONTHLY SANITATION SERV, \$4,444.15; SD GOVT FO ASSOC, Membership Dues, \$40.00; SD MUNI. ST. MAINT, Membership Dues, \$35.00; DANR, Drinking water permit fee, \$100.00; RURAL DEVELOPMENT, RD1 loan-Dec interest, \$1,278.00; RD2 loan-Dec interest, \$417.00; RD3 loan-Dec interest, \$222.00; Southern Hills Publishing, Publishing legal notices, \$726.51. **Accounts Payable Total:** \$15,597.56. Total Paid On: 11/30/23: \$4,972.65; SOUTH DAKOTA RETIREMENT SYSTEM, \$486.90; EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax, FED/FICA TAX, \$1,368.32; HEALTH POOL OF SOUTH DAKOTA, Admin single health, \$917.87. **Payroll Related Total:** \$7,745.74.

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Marshal's Report, none. Abatements: Discussion. Jill is working on a letter from the town office to send to drive-in property owner regarding prairie dog issue. Ferguson is keeping an eye on the town dumpsters while Styles is out of town.

LEGAL: Engineer expense reimbursement, pending.

ENGINEER: Hermosa Sidewalk Project, Simons reported the final bill from the SD DOT will be pushed off until Jan. Motion made and carried to remove Item B Sewer Project(Lagoon design and Expansion) AET update from agenda. Motion made and carried; vote; all ayes, motion carried. Town of Hermosa Water and Sewer Extension Project: pending. D. Approval for KLJ to develop task orders; deadline TBD. 1. Lagoon bidding and constr. mgmt: Project is moving forward, waiting on Conditional Letter of Map Revision prepared by KLJ and sent to FEMA. Once approved, it will be sent to SDDANR. At that time DANR will approve the FONSI which will be posted in the Custer Chronicle with a 30 day waiting period before construction can start. 2. Engineering staff reports/office staff: Task order has been signed. A preliminary plat has been sent to KLJ for review. 3. Evaluate lift station at Ferguson Subdivision for storm issues. Working on grant from FEMA to do the design. 4. Feasibility study for tying into SBHW to submit to SDDANR funding/grants: pending 5. Feasibility study for placing water and sewer along Whitney St from east of RR to Hwy 79 to submit to SDDANR for funding/grants: pending. 6. Feasibility study for evaluating (stormwater along Whitney and road replacement) the intersection of Whitney and 2nd St to Hwy 79 for SDDOT for funding /grants: working on grant from FEMA for the design. 7. Hwy 79 sewer repair bidding and construction mgmt.: pending.

PLANNING & ZONING: November 28, 2023, minutes reviewed, no action. Motion made and seconded to approve Permit 2022-25 – Digging/Grading/Work in ROW – Parcels 009317, 009318, 009319, 009322, 009323, 009324, 009325, 009326, 009327 – Water/Sewer to Parcel 009327; vote; 3 ayes, Holsworth nay, Ferguson abstain, motion carries. Motion made and seconded to approve Permit 2023-21 – Residential Bldg./Digging/Work in ROW/Manufactured Moving – 270 Whitney St; vote; 3 ayes, Holsworth Nay, Ferguson abstain, motion carries. Motion made and seconded to approve Permit 2023-25 - Conditional Use Permit – 240 Folsom St; vote; one, abstained, four, ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Ferguson provided streetlight updates. Water: monitoring usage. Bolted tank reseal, pending. Open Work Orders: Ferguson working on tasks.

FINANCE OFFICE: 1st Reading H.2nd Reading: 2.075A, 2023 Supplemental Ordinance, no action. 2nd Reading scheduled for December 19, 2023.

OLD BUSINESS: Annexation: Voluntary Annexation, pending. Hermosa Connects: Hermosa Connects will meet December 11, 2023, at 9:00 am, Hermosa Coffee Shop.

NEW BUSINESS: SBHW presentation – pending. Headwaters Economics – meeting December 8, 2023. Andersen Engineers, Survey; Locate 9 Corners, pending. Town office camera system investigation, pending Styles and Ferguson walk through. Leasing Town Shop – December 19, 2023, bid opening. Approve request for advertising for pumping lagoon, sealed bids will be open December 13, 2023. Requirement drainage on Lone Coyote Development and Carriage Hills, pending. 2nd Reading: 2.075A, 2023 Supplemental Ordinance – read under Finance Office. Town Office parking/lower level, pending. Motion made and seconded to change the January 2024 meetings to: January 9, 2024, and January 23, 2024, vote; all ayes, motion carried. BBB Funds: motion made and seconded to approve funding of \$850.00 for the Hermosa Connects for business promotion; discussion; vote; all, ayes, motion carried. Receipts must be provided to the finance officer. Temporary Lagoon Construction Easement Neugebauer Brother's Dairy, discussion. Attorney Johnson to provide a corrected easement. Motion made and seconded to request Attorney to rework the easement; vote; all ayes, motion carried.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: None.

TRUSTEE INPUT: Holsworth: interesting meeting; regrets he missed previous meeting; looking for answers, his insurance is current; Kramer: requested the office ensure a medical emergency kit is equipped with vital medications and products and readily available in the case of an emergency; Styles: will return for next meeting; Henrichsen: thanks to all who attended; appreciates Jodi's attendance and thanks for staff, Ferguson and Johnson, thanks to Harris for leadership; Ferguson: no input.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No executive session.

ADJOURN: Motion made, seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 pm; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Jodi Simons, Finance Officer

Jerry Styles, Town Board President

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