

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024  
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00pm**

ROLL CALL: Kramer called the meeting to order on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 6:02 pm with the following members present: Ferguson, Kramer, Koontz, Harris and Serviss. Interested citizens were also present. Attorney Hagg was absent. Pledge of Allegiance led by Kramer.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to approve agenda with the change of Item 13 B Old Business Hermosa Connects report to pending until next meeting; vote: all aye, motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Koontz to approve October 1, 2024, regular meeting minutes; vote: all aye, 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.

FERGUSON WATERWORKS & METER AUTOMATION: Bradley Klein gave a presentation on water meter options available from Ferguson Waterworks. Klein would be available to meet with the board if they would like more information and pricing.

ENGINEER: Discussion was held on motion at a previous meeting regarding engineering to do smoke testing. The board had approved the \$300 cost of smoke testing for seven sewer customers and had not made a motion regarding the town purchasing the smoke testing equipment; therefore, no motion needs to be rescinded.

PLANNING & ZONING: Discussion was held on a resident operating a business in a non-occupied residential home. This topic will be discussed at a future work session and clarify current Ordinance 155.64 Customary Home Occupations. Motion by Serviss and seconded by Kramer to rescind motion from October 1, 2024, BOT meeting to direct Floodplain Administrator to complete hydraulic analysis for Permit 2024-35; vote: four aye and 1 abstain, motion carried. Motion by Harris and seconded by Serviss to deny Permit 2024-33 Plat Application Parcel 004139 due to issues of cul-de-sac and area needed for easements and leave plat pending until next meeting; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Harris to approve Permit 2024-40- Residential Bldg/Digging Permit – 100 N. Wilder Blvd.; motion was amended to include approval based on recommendation from Planning Administrator Dyvbig; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Harris and seconded by Koontz to approve Permit 2024-41 Residential Bld based on recommendation from Planning Administrator Dyvbig and acknowledge Digging Permit; vote: all aye, motion carried. Permit 2024-42 6-foot wood privacy fence was provided for informational purposes.

CLAIMS: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Harris to approve Payroll and Claims as presented; vote: all aye, motion carried. A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, monthly printer/fax fee, \$544.56; AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING, 2024 S-7 online code supplement pages, \$195.00; BANKWEST, classic web banking monthly fee, \$25.00; BANKWEST CREDIT CARD, flagpole parts/paper/wireless mouse/tables, \$168.59; BENESCH, professional services 8/26 through 9/22/24, \$4,141.10; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP, utilities-electric September 2024, \$3089.64; DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP, 120 ft cantx A52EA cond pvc-lagoon, 500 ft wire cu THH 12 Sol Blu-lagoon, 600 ft black poly/20 clamps/curb stop/curb box, bronze coupling,\$1,768.19; GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES, monthly service October 2024 and assist with meeting recording, \$649.00; HARLAND CLARKE, check order for new checking account, \$246.48; MILLS TRUCK SERVICE, stock ¾ base course gravel/sand for lagoon, \$2,469.00; MT RUSHMORE TELEPHONE, phone/internet \$263.66; NELSONS OIL & GAS, propane for city well, \$153.98; PIONEER BANK & TRUST, restricted account charge, closing account service charge, \$32.50; PIONEER BANK CREDIT CARD, adobe software monthly fee, \$20.83; SANDERS SANITATION, monthly sanitation service, \$4,142.19; SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, malt beverage transfer fee, \$75.00; SOUTH DAKOTA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE, conference registration for Koontz, \$115.00; SOUTHERN HILLS PUBLISHING, publishing/legal notices for September 2024, \$966.96; **Accounts Payable Total: \$ 19,066.68.** Payroll related: Total Paid On:10/15/2024: General, \$2,668.22, Water, \$190.09, Sewer, \$113.98, Promoting City/ BBB, \$37.99; EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax, FED/FICA TAX, \$772.03; **Total Payroll Related Paid: \$3,782.31. REPORT TOTAL: \$22,848.99.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Custer County log was provided. There are no new current abatements.

LEGAL: Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to dissolve TIF #1; vote: all aye, motion carried

PUBLIC WORKS: Ferguson provided updates on streets, water, and sewer departments.

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly financials provided. Cornelison thanked the board for allowing her to attend the SDML Conference last week and stated it was beneficial. Discussion held on recommendation from the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance on the appointment of a media spokesperson for the Town. This topic will be place on the next agenda.

OLD BUSINESS: Gravel on Tower Road is pending. Report from Hermosa Connect attendees to Fuel the Growth conference is pending until the next meeting. Street sign height regulations will be addressed at a future work session. Discussion held on volunteers and approval of work comp coverage for volunteers. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Consensus from the board was to allow information for the community website design contest be advertised in the November Town Newsletter, with the board choosing the winner and announcing at the Christmas festivities on December 14, 2024. Dan and Deb Holsworth stated they are willing to donate a \$100 cash prize for the winner of the contest.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS/TRUSTEE INPUT: Audience and trustees had input.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No Executive Session was held.

ADJOURN: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to adjourn meeting at 9:03 p.m., vote: all aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Terri Cornelison  
Finance Officer

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Linda Kramer  
Town Board President

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