

HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00pm

ROLL CALL: Henrichsen called the meeting to order on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Ferguson, Henrichsen, Holsworth, Kramer and Koontz. Interested citizens also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Henrichsen.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made and seconded to approve agenda with the addition of Pioneer Bank & Trust checking account under Finance Office; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

SPECIAL ITEMS: meeting protocol presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made and seconded to approve May 21, 2024, minutes as presented: vote: 4 ayes, 1 abstain, 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: Chuck Ferguson reviewed information received for the Apple Springs DropBox Treatment System that is available for purchase. It was decided to schedule a work session for Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. to discuss this.

PLANNING AND ZONING: No items presented.

CLAIMS: Motion made and seconded to approve Payroll and Claims as presented; vote: 4 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried. A & B BUSINESS EQUIPMENT, monthly printer/fax fee, \$652.85; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP, utilities/electric, \$2,709.83; TERRI CORNELISON, Reimbursement for flowers at town office, \$54.78; E/Z TRUCKING, 83.2 ton ³/₄ road base, \$1,830.62; CHUCK FERGUSON, February 2024 services, \$3,120.00, fix potholes, \$1,562.00, additional locates/manholes/jets & cameras, \$3,217.00, inspection/water & sewer tap, \$168.00; CONNIE LEIMER, trap/neuter/release program, \$89.00; PACE, annual maintenance contract, \$28,252.03; 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 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, sales tax March/April 2024, \$564.77; SIMPSON PRINTING, regular envelopes with return address, \$127.00; US BANK, DWSRF- May quarterly payment, \$1,493.23; **Accounts Payable Total: \$ 45,758.11. Utility Deposit Refunds: William & Rebecca Warren, \$35.43; Kayla Ackley, \$36.78; Patty Shinbarger \$13.43. Deposit Refund Total: \$85.64.** Payroll related: Total Paid On: 5/31/24: General, \$3,402.97, Water, \$445.15, Sewer, \$185.66, Promoting City/BBB, \$61.98, South Dakota Retirement System, \$1,100.86, EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax, FED/FICA TAX, \$1,012.59, Health Pool of South Dakota, \$1,990.00 **Total Payroll Related Paid: \$8,199.21. REPORT TOTAL: \$54,042.96.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Ferguson gave an update on sheriff vehicle currently parked on Fairgrounds Place and will be moved soon. Ferguson reminded all property owners are responsible for the mowing of the ditches (right of way) on their property.

LEGAL: Henrichsen stated that acceptance of Mitch Johnson's resignation as town attorney will need to be placed on the next agenda and then the town can look at hiring a new attorney.

PUBLIC WORKS: Ferguson provided updates on streets, water, and sewer departments. Bolted Tank Interior Floor Reseal, seepage seems to have subsided for now. Open Work Orders, ongoing. PACE Contract has been completed.

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly financials presented. Cornelison stated there had been some fraudulent charges on the town checking account and she had filed the necessary paperwork to have the money reimbursed by Pioneer Bank & Trust. Motion made and seconded to close the current checking account at Pioneer Bank & Trust and open a new account with the understanding that Pioneer Bank & Trust will cover the cost of ordering new checks; motion amended to include not closing the account until we have checks for new account in hand; vote: 1 aye, 4 nays, motion failed. Cornelison will research other banks and bring information to the next meeting. Motion made and seconded to approve the SDPAA Insurance renewal; vote: all ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Hermosa Connects' next meeting will be Monday, June 10, 2024 at 9 a.m. at the Hermosa Coffee House.

Motion made and seconded to allow Monte Waltman to work as a part-time, seasonal town employee to do the mosquito spraying with a wage the same as last year; vote: all ayes, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to carry out the 2024 season with matching vendor fee permits as we have done with the community waiving the fees (which includes the 5% gross sales and vendor permit fee); vote: all ayes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Gravel on Tower Road was moved to the next meeting. Kramer gave an update on the Custer County Commission meeting she attended on May 22, 2024. Motion made and seconded to remove the removing rock and planting grass by flag poles at town office from the agenda as the town currently does not have funds to do this; vote: all aye, motion carried. Discussion on surplus items. Cornelison will check with insurance company on whether or not the playground equipment can be covered under the town's insurance. Motion made and seconded to spray for the weeds where the chain link fence is currently being stored; vote: all aye, motion carried. Discussion was held on locate fees in excess of the 10 allowed under the Public Works contract.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: Audience had input.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No items presented.

ADJOURN: Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm, vote: all ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Terri Cornelison
Finance Officer

Vicki Henrichsen
Town Board President

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