

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
REGULAR MEETING @ 6:00pm**

ROLL CALL: Kramer called the meeting to order on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 6:02 pm with the following members present: Ferguson, Kramer, Koontz, and Harris. Interested citizens and attorney Hagg were also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Kramer.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Koontz to approve agenda with the addition of Item 6E Down Payment for Wastewater Treatment System Under Engineer; vote: all aye, motion carried.

SPECIAL ITEMS: meeting protocol presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Harris to enter Executive Session allowable by SDCL 1-25-2.1- Personnel at 6:05 p.m.; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made by Harris and seconded by Koontz to exit Executive Session at 6:17 p.m.; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made by Harris and seconded by Koontz to appoint Aaron Serviss to fill the vacant trustee position until the next election on June 3, 2025; vote: 3 aye, 1 nay; motion carried. Finance Officer Cornelison administered the Oath of Office to Serviss.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to approve September 3, 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.

ENGINEER: Motion made by Harris and seconded by Serviss to authorize Engineer Theodorou to prepare an RFP for sewer cleaning and televising and bring to the next meeting on October 1, 2024; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Koontz to approve and authorize Kramer to sign the land agreement with the Preston family in the amount of \$15,000 for the North Water Tank; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made by Harris and seconded by Ferguson to approve Resolution 2024-05 A Resolution for the Issuance and Sale of Wastewater Project Revenue Bonds; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to approve the purchase of water and sewer pipe from the Preston family on an as needed basis; vote: all aye, motion carried. Motion made Koontz and seconded by Ferguson to approve a down payment amount of \$100,000 for the purchase of the Wastewater Treatment System from Apple Springs; vote: all aye, motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING: Motion made by Harris and seconded by Ferguson to deny Permit #2024-35 – Floodplain Development Application – 259 Donna Street – 10’ x 8’ wooden shed; vote: all aye, motion carried. Information Permit #2024-37 – Demolition Permit Application – 355 Manning was presented for information purposes only. Permit #2024-09-Informational Permit – Temporary Water Line for parcel 003927 from parcel 009317 is still pending.

CLAIMS: Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Koontz to approve Payroll and Claims as presented; vote: all aye, motion carried. A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, monthly printer/fax fee, \$535.72; BENESCH, bid/contract admin/civil design/construct admin/update map/water model/memo, \$23,700.93; BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOP, utilities-electric August 2024, \$3,055.92; D & R SERVICE, air conditioner service call, \$229.67; DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP, pvc pipe/gasket/flex cplg pvc/cond pvc, \$1,313.08; CHUCK FERGUSON, weed/pull pump/repair sewer line/dig 3 phase power, \$6,255.00; GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES, two laptop setups/monthly service September 2024, \$1,533.00; MIDWEST ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, annual contract \$500.00; MT RUSHMORE TELEPHONE, monthly phone/internet, \$260.35; PIONEER BANK & TRUST, adobe software/2 signature account, \$45.83; PRINT MARK-IT, banners for parade, \$140.00; RAPID ROOTER, municipal jetter/manhole camera Fairgrounds Place, \$1,967.50; ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, copy paper/markers/business cards/paper towels, \$214.74 SAMS CLUB, candy parade, \$69.84; SANDER SANITATION, monthly sanitation service, \$4,125.42; SOUTHERN HILLS PUBLISHING, publishing/legal notices, \$71.25 **Accounts Payable Total: \$ 44,018.25.** Payroll related: Total Paid On: 9/13/2024: General, \$2,854.78, Water, \$275.57, Sewer, \$165.28, Promoting City/ BBB, \$55.14, EFTPS-Electronic Federal Tax, FED/FICA TAX, \$883.89; **Total Payroll Related Paid: \$4,234.66. REPORT TOTAL: \$48,252.91.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: There was no Custer County log provided. Discussion was held on current abatements. Motion made by Harris and seconded by Kramer per SDCL 9-9-13 for the immediate

preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the municipal government, for Resolution 2024-05 to take effect on the twentieth day after its publication; vote: all aye, motion carried.

LEGAL: Hagg presented a draft letter to DANR regarding sole source exception for bidding which pertains to the Town's purchase of the wastewater treatment system from Apple Springs. Discussion was held on Hermosa TIF #1.

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

FINANCE OFFICE: Monthly financial reports were presented. Finance Officer Cornelison gave an update on the timeline of closing accounts at Pioneer Bank & Trust and processing payroll through direct deposit with Bankwest.

OLD BUSINESS: Gravel on Tower Road is pending. Second reading of Budget 2.076- 2025 Appropriations Ordinance. Motion made by Ferguson and seconded by Serviss to approve Ordinance 2.077 An Ordinance Appropriating Funds for the Fiscal Year 2025; vote: all aye, motion carried. Item 13 C Hermosa Connects request for funding was tabled until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Trena Matheny gave a demonstration on a possible new website design for the Town of Hermosa. Motion made by Harris and seconded by Serviss to allow Dan Holsworth to volunteer his time to do street maintenance for the Town of Hermosa; vote: all aye, motion carried. Holsworth had submitted a contract for reimbursement for use of his personal equipment for street maintenance and that will be discussed at the next meeting.

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

ADJOURN: Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 9:28 p.m., vote: all aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Terri Cornelison
Finance Officer

Linda Kramer
Town Board President

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