

**HERMOSA TOWN BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021**



ROLL CALL: Henrichsen called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the following members present: Flug, Henrichsen, Holsworth, King and Schumack. Attorney Johnson and Boddicker also present. Pledge of Allegiance led by Henrichsen. Four interested citizens joined at 6:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by King, second by Flug, to enter Executive Session allowable by SDCL 1-25-2.1 – Personnel, at 5:37 p.m.; motion carried. Motion by King, second by Schumack, to exit executive session. Motion by Holsworth, second Flug, to send a letter to Westergard to advise he will continue employment in current status until he has completed his certification; vote; Flug, aye, Henrichsen, nay, Holsworth, aye, King, aye, Schumack, aye; motion carried.

CALL FOR CHANGES: Motion made and seconded to amend agenda to move Old Business and Planning and Zoning to beginning of agenda; vote; all aye, motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by King, second by Schumack; to approve December special and regular meeting minutes; vote; all aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS: Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, to approve Claims with discussion; vote; all aye, motion carried. A & B Business Solutions, Copier lease payment, \$505.00; Best Buy, Computers, TV, \$13,579.85; DENR SD, Environmental fee 2021, \$50.00; Fastenal, Brass screws, \$27.50; Ferguson Construction, Weed spraying, repair valve box, Installed Stop signs, water leak on Taz, snow removal, \$4,587.50; Impressions, Notary, \$45.74; Interstate Engineering, Permit, lagoon facilities plan, \$11,879.96; Johnson Law Office, December services, \$255.00; Mandy Morris, CPA, December services, \$1,272.00; Metering & Technology Solutions, Meters , \$927.04; Midcontinent Testing Laboratories, water testing for 4th quarter 2020, \$1,929.70; Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co, Monthly services, \$221.02; Payment Service Network, Services from 12/1/2020 - 12/31/2020 , \$75.95; Pioneer Bank and Trust, VISA/Monthly charges, \$1,398.06; Pioneer Bank and Trust, Bank charge for 2 signature account, \$25.00, Rapid Rooter, 250 Main Street, Jetted 180', \$569.78; Sander Sanitation, Monthly charges, \$2,681.80; Secretary of State, Filing fee for Notary Public application, \$30.00; Southern Hills Publishing, Inc, Monthly charges, \$248.83; US Post Office, stamps, \$265.00; Westergard, Brad, \$300.00; Payroll related: Board of Trustees, \$675.00; Finance Department, \$3,480.00; Law Enforcement, \$808.55; Planning & Zoning, \$960.00; Janitorial, \$48.00; Meter, \$139.75; EFTPS, 941 payroll tax deposit, \$1,334.73; Health Pool of South Dakota, Monthly premium, \$841.42; SD Retirement Fund, December Retirement Funds, \$720.00. Total: \$49,882.18. Motion by Holsworth, second by Flug, to approve claims except to decline Ferguson's weed spraying invoice of \$500.00; second by Flug; vote; all aye, motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING: Review of December 22, 2020, regular meeting minutes. Annexation, Zoning and Permissible Uses – Fairgrounds Place/McDermand. Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, to request a follow-up meeting with Paramount Point citizens regarding annexation. Meeting will be scheduled for January 13, 2021, 6:00 pm at fairgrounds; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by Holsworth, second by Flug, to postpone proceeding with Fairgrounds Place annexation; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, to contact Gumbo Lilly citizens to schedule a meeting to discuss annexation; meeting to be held February 10, 2021; vote; all aye, motion carried. P&Z COVID Continuity Plan; no action. Holsworth was approved to keep a temporary storage shed on 120 2<sup>nd</sup> Street during construction. Motion by Flug, second by Schumack, storage containers should be submitted with moving permit application; discussion; vote; Flug, aye; Henrichsen, aye; King, aye, Schumack, aye; Holsworth, abstained; motion carried. Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, to approve Permit #2020-43 170 N Wilder Blvd as per Planning and Zoning recommendations; vote; all aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Norm Jones, Home Occupation Based Business asked to have the board reconsider their denial of his home business. Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, to approve Jones' home-based business if all county, state, and municipal regulations are followed; vote; all aye, motion carried. Jones requested discussion regarding the condition of the property on Taz Court following the December 2020 repairs made to the broken water line. Motion by Holsworth, second by Flug, to ensure the contractor repairs and brings the property to appropriate condition, as well as property seeded in the spring; vote; all aye, motion carried. Town Shop rental – Resolution to be presented on January 19, 2021, BOT meeting submitting Westergard as lessee, this will be followed with a Public Hearing as per state statute. Southern Black Hills Water System, pending; Whitney Street ditch issue discussion, pending. Extra Territorial Agreement – this issue to be brought forth at a future Custer County Commissioner's meeting; Boddicker to check for meeting date.

Motion by Henrichsen, second by King, to pay travel and meeting attendance expenses to Commissioner's meetings if/when a trustee attends such meeting; vote; Holsworth, nay; Flug, nay; Henrichsen, aye, King, aye; Schumack; aye; motion carried. Preston Family Inc, pending.

LAW ENFORCEMENT/ABATEMENTS/COMPLAINTS: Daggett provided local updates, concern with the product being burned in citizen's personal wood burner as it is emitting toxic odors in the community. Boddicker to call citizen to discuss. Daggett has satisfied the requirements for law enforcement certification and is current for 2020. Daggett reported ammunition is very scarce. The Stop sign placed on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Manning has triggered concerns with how narrow the road has become; Ferguson to move the Stop sign to the east to increase the width of the road. Westergard is interested in assisting with the Neighborhood Watch program; he will contact Kramer and/or Harris to discuss how to proceed with activating the program. Motion by Holsworth, second by Schumack, requesting Boddicker to send a letter to SD DOT to indicate the board's support to decrease the speed limit to 25 mph on Main Street; vote; King, nay; Flug, aye; Holsworth, aye; Henrichsen, aye; Schumack, aye; motion carried. Holsworth requested law enforcement to ensure mileage is indicated on fuel receipts, to be conservative on equipment expenses; thanked law enforcement for their protection of the community.

LEGAL: TIFD Project Plan Amendment, pending.

ENGINEER: TA Grant (Sidewalk), pending; Water Rehab Project, pending; N Second Street Box Replacement: pending contractor to begin construction; Lagoon Expansion, pending; Whitney Street/Second Street, pending.

PUBLIC WORKS: Ferguson reported streetlight replacements are delayed for a few weeks; water leaks on Taz Court and 5<sup>th</sup> Street both repaired; letter to contractor regarding damages to sewer pipe was sent; SDARWS 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Meeting (via Zoom) no action. Motion by Henrichsen, second by King, to remove, "letter to contractor", from agenda; vote; all aye, motion carried.

FINANCE OFFICER: December month end reconciliation to be provided on January 19 meeting. Boddicker reported \$38,000 was reimbursed by the CARES Act for law enforcement and housekeeping salaries, air purifier, and computers for trustees. Henrichsen requested board to provide recommendations to be used for a computer policy in support of the new computers purchased for trustees. Computers will be town property to be used only in the town office for official town business. Special board meetings held on December 15, 2020, were conducted as non-paid meetings.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion by King, second by Schumack, to approve Resolution 2021-01, Salary and Wages; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by King, second by Schumack, to approve combining elections with the Custer County School District if a petition is filed for open seat; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by King, second by Schumack, to approve the Custer County Chronicle as the 2021 official newspaper; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by Schumack, second by King, to approve the Pioneer Bank and Trust as the 2021 financial institution; vote; all aye, motion carried. Motion by Henrichsen, second by King, to approve Casey Peterson audit engagement; vote; all aye, motion carried. Citizen concerned regarding an incomplete roof installation; no action taken. Announcement of 2020 Christmas Lighting Contest: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Arlo Holsworth, 111 Rupp Street; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Mindy Gomez, 330 Manning; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Salinda & Daniel Torres, 810 W Main; 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Kate and Josef Sanknikent, 10 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Honorable Mention and special thanks to all citizens for their holiday spirit: LeAnn Maude, Sharon Nolz, Gary & Kathy Pillen, Crystal and John Wiles, Don & Patricia Bechard, Brett & Amber Thomason, Ralph Lauzon, Deb and Dan Holsworth, Jake and Auralee Jobgen, Ryan and Breezy Simpson.

Regulations for future subdivisions, pending.

ITEMS FROM CITIZENS: No action will be taken (3-minute time limit per speaker)

TRUSTEE INPUT: King; looking forward to a prosperous 2021; Holsworth looking forward to the infrastructure projects.

ADJOURN: Motion by Schumack; second by King, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 pm.; vote; all aye, motion carried.

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Vicki Henrichsen, Town Board President

ATTEST:

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Gail Boddicker, Finance Officer  
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