

Pursuant to the due call and notice thereof, the City Council met in regular session on January 5, 2015 at 7:00 PM. Those present Mayor Bill Wuttke, Ron Larson, Pat Everson, Fran VanBockel, Dawn Nagel, Mick Bliese, and Bryan Hause. Also present was Russell Anderson, Maintenance Supervisor, Daniall Ablott, Deputy Finance Officer, and Mark Kessler, City Patrolman and Mike Jager.

VOUCHERS PAYABLE

**Payroll Expense by Department:**

Finance Officer		2,887.35
Police		6,958.52
Streets		5,129.59
Snow Removal		1,183.28
Landfill		324.72
Water		2,951.76
Sewer		2,536.43
Ambulance		1,885.05
Airport		51.24
Swimming Pool		250.00
Parks		250.00
<b>Total Payroll Expense by Department</b>		<b>24,407.94</b>
Net Payroll 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half December		8,005.90
Bank of the West	Payroll Taxes	2,838.35
Gettysburg Development Corp	Triple B Taxes	5,927.61
Heartland Waste Management	Garbage Fee	4,885.32
SD Retirement System	Retirement	4,134.96
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>		<b>25,792.14</b>

Moved by Bliese, Hause seconded, motion carried to approve the minutes from December 1, and December 29, 2014.

Moved by Everson, VanBockel seconded, motion carried to approve Accounts Payable/Vouchers.

Motion by Hause, Nagel seconded to approve city attorney to attend all Council Meetings at \$1200 a year or \$100 per month retainer. Three council members voted aye and three council members voted nay. It was a tie. Mayor Wuttke voted nay. Motion died.

Moved by VanBockel, Nagel seconded, motion carried to table discussion on Ambulance Class.

Maintenance Director, Russell Anderson, reported on the landfill inspection. The landfill is the cleanest it has ever been. The spoiled grain has been rectified. The contaminated soil from the school wasn't removed prior to the inspection, but it is gone now. The landfill will be re-inspected sometime in 2015.

Jensen Rock & Sand Proposal for \$531,000 for asphalt paving in 2015 was presented. Motion by Hause, Larson seconded (Everson – Nay), motion carried to approve proposal since it has been the fourth year at this price.

Ordinance 2014-12-9 supplementing funds for the purchase of a new ambulance was presented for the second reading. Moved by VanBockel, Hause seconded. Roll call vote was Hause – aye, Bliese – aye, Nagel – aye, VanBockel – aye, Everson – aye, Larson – aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2014-12-10 amending claims be in by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month was presented for the second reading. Motioned by VanBockel, Bliese seconded motion carried to approve second reading with the addition of “received on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month”. Roll call vote was Larson – aye, Everson – aye, VanBockel – aye, Nagel – aye, Bliese – aye, Hause – aye. Motion carried.

Purchase of Potter County Library's old building was brought up. Discussion was tabled upon further information.

City Patrolman Kessel provided the police report and code enforcement. It was a slow December compared to previous years, which is a good thing.

Maintenance Supervisor Anderson reported that Rural Water is supposed to be in town the middle of January. The finance office and I have a handle on the water loss problems in the past and it was an honest mistake, but don't want to confirm those are the only problems until Rural Water goes through everything.

Motion by VanBockel, Nagel seconded motion carried to approve Russell to attend a Rural Water Treatment Meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

The State DOT would like us to sweep the highway again this year. Anderson stated that what we made last year took care of the brooms and maintenance on the Sweeper. Approval tabled until February, when the new contract is presented.

Tire removal from landfill was discussed. Anderson has a price on an attachment that will cut up tires and remove moisture to then dispose of them per ton. Mike Jager presented information on a company that will pick up tires at a price per tire instead of per ton. Discussion tabled upon further information from Mike Jager.

There was only one fuel bid from North Central Farmers Elevator for the following: Unleaded \$1.866, Ruby Field Master \$2.18 and #1 Ruby Field Master \$2.68. Moved by Hause, Bliese seconded motion carried to accept this bid.

Motion by VanBockel, Everson seconded motion carried to approve the listing of the 2015 salaries.

Motion by Nagel, VanBockel seconded motion carried to have the City Finance Office maintain a Facebook site for our city.

Motion by Nagel, VanBockel seconded motion carried to table discussion on Ambulance Inventory.

Motion by VanBockel, Larson seconded motion carried upon approval from the city attorney sign a new contract with South Dakota Public Assurance.

Moved by Nagel, Everson seconded motion carried to advertise for Pet Registration.

Motion by Everson, Nagel seconded motion carried to go into executive session at 7:44PM. Council reconvened at 8:09 PM.

Motion by Bliese, VanBockel seconded motion carried to hire Daniall Ablott as the new Finance Officer at a rate of \$14.50 with a review in May with a potential of \$15.00 an hour.

Motion by Nagel, VanBockel seconded motion carried to advertise for a Deputy Finance Officer part time with wages depending on experience and a schedule to be determined.

Correspondence Round Table Discussion – A private donation to the Ambulance and Swimming Pool of \$250.00 was given in December. Thanks to Mike Jager for coming.

Motioned by Bliese, Hause seconded motion carried to adjourn at 8:13 PM.

Attest:

Witness

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Daniall Ablott, Finance Officer  
Published at the approximate cost of \$

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Bill Wuttke, Mayor