

City of Gary, South Dakota  
Regular Council Meeting –  
Monday, December 7, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in a regular session on Monday, December 7, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall. Aldermen Albert Bekaert, Joni Kjelden, John Jenson, David Peterson, Clark Dessler and Darwyn Engesser were present. Acting Mayor Albert Bekaert presided. Present also were David Vogt, Mike Nosbush, Jason Anderson, Robin Lanners, and Shirley Pederson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to approve the agenda. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Dessler, second by Jenson to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2020 regular meeting. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**GENERAL-NOVEMBER 2020 BILLS**

Finance Office-1,916.57;Librarian-620.60;Streets/Parks-3,271.70;Water-789.77;Sewer-789.78;AFLAC-Premium-318.88;Bjerke Sanitation-garbage collection-1,702.90, Brookings-Deuel Rural Water-546,000 gallons-1,386.20;City of Gary-community center/water-25.51;Clear Lake Courier-proceedings/notices-85.12;Deuel Co. Auditor-law enforcement-499.80;DC Farmer's Union-, monthly fuel charges-168.51;EFTPS/FWT 941 Tax-FWT Bar-453.75, City-969.04=1,422.79; EFTPS/OASI/SS/MT-OASI-Bar-1,166.18, City-1,224.44=2,390.62; Gary Post Office-stamps-62.50; Gate City General-supplies-51.40; HD Electric-Cemetery electricity-36.50; Humana-health ins.-106.00; Independent Audit Svcs-2019 Audit-4,500.00; ITC-phone, internet, fax, alarm loop-92.27, Library-DSL, Static IP-46.45; Mike Nosbush-cell phone reimbursement-25.00, supplies-37.81=62.81; Office of Child Support-200.00; Office Peeps-laptops for council-5,799.92; Ottertail Power Co.-Electricity-998.04; SD Dept of Health-coliform test-15.00; SD Govt FO Assoc.-2021 annual dues-40.00; SD Govt HR Assoc.-2021 membership dues-25.00; SDML-2021 membership dues-440.15; SDML Workman's Comp-2021 renewal-4,451.00; SD Retirement-Bar-931.26, City-947.72=1,878.98; Star Laundry-Uniforms-76.20; Wellmark BCBS-Insurance-7,864.56.

**LIQUOR-NOVEMBER 2020 BILLS**

Municipal Liquor-9,999.59; AFLAC-Premium-403.95; Blue Sky Security-security system at liquor store-3,234.00; Brian Stone-labor-105.00; Chesterman-Pop-612.73; City of Gary-water, sewer, garbage-163.78; City of Gary-2021 liquor license renewals-600.00; Culligan-monthly service/salt-67.25; Ellwein Bros.-Beer-6,761.10; Gary Post Office-stamps-27.50; Gate City General-supplies/food-193.27; Harry's Frozen Foods-pizza-840.00; Hendricks Farmer's Lumber-supplies-3,354.83; Henry's Foods-Cigarettes, food, supplies-2,365.06; ITC-Phone, DSL, TV-249.14; Jim Dandy-beef jerky-202.50; Johnson Bros.-Liquor, wine, wine coolers-3,301.25; Menards-supplies-3,403.04; Minn-Kota Pest Svcs-Sept. service-38.50; Office Peeps-supplies-51.16; Old Dutch Foods-Chips-63.08; Ottertail-Electricity-481.89; Pepsi Cola-Pop-162.90; Pizza & Burger Shack-pizza-510.00; Porter Dist. Co.-Beer, wine coolers-1,057.10; Republic National Dist.-Liquor, wine/wine coolers-1,715.00; Robin Lanners-supplies-77.97; SD Dept of Revenue-liquor tax-2,262.99; Southern Glazers of SD-liquor-1,473.37; Star Laundry-towels, rugs-60.17.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Peterson to approve the verified claims and issue warrants in payment thereof. All members voted aye, motion carried.

There were no public comments or citizen input.

Employee, committee and ward reports were heard.

David Vogt was present to discuss de-annexing his property from the city limits stating he receives no city services. This was voted on and approved by the council at a previous meeting and a resolution will be drawn up and voted on at the year-end meeting on December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020. A public notice will be published in the Clear Lake Courier.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to renew 2021 SDML membership dues. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Two items were on the agenda regarding the liquor store: incentive pay for bartenders on extra busy nights (New Year's Eve, Firemen's Dance, 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, etc.), and to have the City pay a portion of tournament fees for the pool team that shoots out of the bar. Motion by Jenson, second by Peterson to deny both of these requests. All members voted aye, motion carried.

The 2019 audit prepared by I.A.S. was reviewed, discussed, and approved. Motion by Dessler, second by Darwyn Engesser to request a letter of proposal for the 2020 audit. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held on having an employee Christmas Party. Final plans will be made at the next meeting on December 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to go into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. for personnel matters. All members voted aye, motion carried. Mayor declared council out of Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Motion by Kjelden, second by Darwyn Engesser to give all full-time employees a raise of 50 cents an hour and all part-time employees a raise of 25 cents an hour. All members voted aye, motion carried.

The year-end meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to adjourn. All members voted aye, motion carried.

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