

City of Gary, South Dakota
Regular Council Meeting –
Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 5, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the City Hall. Aldermen Darwyn Engesser, Mike Nosbush, Jeff Nordseth, Doug Nelson, Bob Stee & Albert Bekaert were present. Mayor Larry Stoks presided. Present also were Carol Barger, Jodie Engesser, Johanna Wyman, Sharon Kloos, Mary Nosbush, Mel Borg, Neil Schumacher, Claudette Bagan, Jen Pederson, Bob Babcock, Mitchell Babcock, Sheriff Cory Borg, Reed Mahlke, Robin Lanners & Joni Kjelden.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Engesser, second by Bekaert to approve the agenda as written. All members voted aye; motion carried. Motion by Bekaert, second by Stee to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2022 regular meeting. All members voted aye; motion carried.

GENERAL-NOVEMBER 2022 BILLS

Finance Office-1,401.79;Library-605.00;Streets-3,035.40;Parks-516.21;Restricted Use Site-144.25;Cemetery-32.30; Golf-0.00;Water-667.86;Sewer-667.85;AFLAC-Nov premium-149.43;AT&T-data connect-43.23;Bjerke Sanitation-November garbage-2,148.43;Bobcat of Brookings-bristles for sweeper-837.50;BDRW-473,000 gallons-1,353.85;City of Gary-wsg firehall/garbage city hall-52.97;Clear Lake Courier-proceedings-104.48;Deuel County Auditor-law enforcement-517.65;Deuel County Farmer's Union-monthly fuel charges-1,465.13;Doug's Service & Marine, Inc-hydraulic system for sander-816.87;EFTPS/941 tax-FWT-558.01,OASI-1,209.86;Gary Post Office-stamps-74.00;Gate City General-supplies-44.95;HD Electric-cemetery electricity-26.09;Helsper, McCarty & Rasmussen-attorney fees-2,001.50;ITC-phone,internet,fax,alarm loop-101.08,Library-DSL,static IP-46.45;Jason Anderson-cell phone-25.00;Kaiser Welding-mount for street sander-844.50;Office Peeps-toner,paper-858.23;Ottertail Power Co.-electricity-1,007.07;Nothern Truck Equipment Corp-delivery charge-sander-250.00;SD Dept of Health-coliform test-15.00;SDML Work Comp Fund-2023 renewal-4,430.00;SD Retirement-Nov contribution-801.42;Star Laundry-uniforms-106.87;Stateline Tree Service, Inc-tree removal-3, blvd trimming-2,400.00;Stee Electric-install 30-amp service on power poles-506.94;Sturdevant's Auto-hydraulic oil, filters-67.18;Wellmark BCBS-Dec premium-1,330.62.

LIQUOR-NOVEMBER 2022 BILLS

Municipal Liquor-12,710.09;AFLAC-Nov premium-403.95;Chesterman-pop-1,005.20;City of Gary-water,sewer,garbage-197.13;Culligan-monthly rental-27.50;EFTPS/941 tax-FWT-750.99,OASI-1,666.42;Ellwein Bros-beer-13,887.70;First Bank & Trust-supplies/food-credit card-103.99;Gary Post Office-30.00;Gate City General-supplies/food-262.15;Harry's Frozen Foods-pizza-1,171.00;Henry's Foods-tobacco, food, supplies-2,278.67;ITC Phone,DSL,TV-246.59;Jim Dandy-jerky-225.00;Johnson Bros.-liquor,wine/coolers-4,250.84;Menards-ceiling tiles-75.07;Nikki Giese-25.7 hrs. @ 8.07-207.40;Office Peeps-office supplies-87.06;Old Dutch Foods-chips-133.12;Ottertail-electricity-559.12;Pepsi Cola-pop-157.95;Pizza & Burger Shack-pizza-756.00;Porter Dist. Co.-beer,wine/coolers-875.50;Republic National Dist.-liquor, wine-2,391.25;Robin Lanners-cell phone-25.00;SD Dept of Revenue-Nov liquor tax-5,025.17;SD Retirement-Nov contribution-1,215.28;Southern Glazers of SD-liquor-2,112.86;Star Laundry-towels, rugs-96.28;Technicolor-apparel,tumblers-5,547.61;Wellmark BCBS- Dec premium-3,991.91.

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

Employee, committee, and ward reports were heard. The city office will be closed December 26 & January 2 to observe Christmas and New Year's.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Bekaert to approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 380 Correction to 2023 Appropriations Ordinance No. 379. On a roll call vote, Engesser,aye; Nosbush,aye; Nordseth,aye; Nelson,aye; Stee,aye; Bekaert,aye; motion carried.

The old siren that is located on top of the brick Historical building on Coteau St. was looked at. Parts need to be replaced and have been ordered for it to work correctly. Motion by Nosbush, second by Stee to table this item until the decibel ratings have been read. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Engesser, second by Nelson to rescind the motion made at the 11/5/22 meeting to void an employees outstanding payroll checks. All members voted aye; motion carried. The employee has since requested reissuance. Motion by Nosbush, second by Bekaert to reissue the payroll checks totaling \$131.92 to the employee. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Bob Babcock, Helms & Associates engineering was present to provide the council with information regarding a facility plan for the city's sewer system. A facility plan is required for the city to be accepted to the State Water Plan,

which includes possible grants and loans for future projects. Motion by Engesser, second Stee to sign the City of Gary Wastewater Collection & Treatment Systems Study. All members voted aye; motion carried. This study should start in the spring of 2023. Residents will be notified.

South Dakota Municipal League membership and affiliate memberships for 2023 are due. Motion by Bekaert, second by Stee to pay the Municipal League dues of \$473.94 and the affiliate dues for Finance Office-\$40, Human Resource-\$25, Streets Maintenance-\$35. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Stee, second by Nordseth to open the Gary Liquor Store on Christmas Eve until 10pm and for Super Bowl Sunday from noon until the game is over. Engesser, aye; Nosbush, aye; Nordseth, aye; Nelson, aye; Stee, aye; Bekaert, no; Motion carried.

The employee Christmas party was discussed. Information will be brought to the next meeting.

Bjerke Sanitation has requested to increase rates of the garbage contract. Motion by Bekaert, second by Nosbush to accept the rate increase of \$2 per resident account and \$5 per business account. This will be effective on the next billing cycle. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Brookings Deuel Rural Water has increased their minimum monthly rates by \$10 and the new water rate of 16 cents per 1,000 gallons. Motion by Stee, second by Engesser to approve the rate increase. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Engesser to go into executive session at 7:40 pm for personnel. All members voted aye; motion carried. Mayor declared out at 8:18 pm.

Employee wages for 2023 will be discussed at the next meeting.

Property owners at 529 Second Ave have been notified of the Ordinances they are in violations of. Motion by Nelson, second by Nosbush to proceed with legal action if this situation is not remedied and adequate proof is not provided by December 15, 2022. All members voted aye; motion carried.

The year-end meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 27, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Engesser to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried.

City Council, City of Gary

Joni Kjelden, Finance Officer

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