

City of Gary, South Dakota
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 3, 2025 at 6:30 pm at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in session on Monday, February 3, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Gary City Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Mayor Larry Stoks presided. Aldermen Darwyn Engesser, Mike Nosbush, Jay Grabow, and Albert Bekaert were present. Doug Nelson and Bob Stee were absent. Also, present Joni Kjelden, Austin Crocker, and Neil Schumacher.

Motion by Engesser, second by Grabow to approve the agenda as written. All voting aye; carried.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Bekaert to approve the minutes of the January 6th meeting. All voting aye; carried.

General- January 2025 Bills

Finance Office-1,947.88;Streets-4,445.69;Library-648.45;Water-1,256.96;Sewer-1,256.94;Aflac-Dec premium-165.64;AT&T-data connect-44.18;Austin Crocker-cell phone-25.00;Avid Hawk, LLC-annual website service-540.00;Bjerke Sanitation-garbage-2,621.31;BDRW-419,000 gallons-1,487.00;City of Clear Lake-2 hrs @ \$100-200.00;City of Gary-firehall-wsg-42.00,city hall-garbage-17.00;CL Courier-proceedings,notices-116.20;DCSO-law enforcement-588.33;DCFU-fuel charges-377.00;DNB National Bank-safe deposit fee-25.00;EFTPS/941-FWT-590.15,OASI-1,544.18;Gary PO-stamps-92.50;Gate City General-supplies-82.34;HR Executive Partners-policy review-1,343.75;109 Club-employee Christmas party-432.00;ITC-phone, internet, fax, alarm loop-100.78,Library-DSL,static IP-53.45;Nosbush Plbg & Htg-service call-125.00;Office Peeps-toner, service copier-590.13;OTPCO.-electricity-940.74;Petty Cash-replenish-95.56;Runnings-supplies-154.16;SD Public Health Lab-coliform test-15.00;SD One Call-Oct-Dec messages-7.35;SDRS-Jan contribution-1,189.56;Sun Life-Jan premium-428.50;Wellmark BCBS-Feb premium-2,640.66.

Liquor- January 2025 Bills

Liquor-12,007.31;ABATE-2025 passport run-50.00;Aflac-Dec premium-482.86;Apol's Harley Davision-2025 sponsorship fee-150.00;Chesterman-pop-278.65;City of Gary-wsg-176.00;EFTPS/941-FWT-650.94,OASI-1,559.60;Ellwein Bros-beer-5,900.80;First Bank & Trust-credit card-160.80;Gary PO-stamps-36.50;Gate City General-food-3.30;Harry's Pizza-276.00;Henry's Foods- tobacco,food,supplies-1,969.80;109 Club-employee Christmas party-432.00;ITC-phone,DSL,tv-250.43;Jim Dandy Snack Foods-jerky-45.00;Johnson Bros-liquor-1,508.67;Nikki Giese-6.75 hrs @ 10.00-67.50;Office Peeps-file cabinet-230.00;Old Dutch Foods-chips-40.02;OTPCO-electricity-565.76;Pizza & Burger Shack-pizza-216.00;Porter Dist Co-beer, wine/coolers-934.70;Republic National Dist-liquor-1,016.25;Robin Lanners-cell phone-25.00;SDRS-Jan contribution-1,042.86;SD Dept of Revenue-sales tax-2,606.75;Southern Glazers-1,023.80;Star Laundry-rugs,towels-180.21;Vibe Entertainment-Jan 24-350.00;Wellmark BCBS-Feb premium-2,640.66.

Motion by Grabow, second by Engesser to approve the verified claims and issue warrants in payment thereof. All voting aye; carried.

Employee, Committee, and Ward reports were heard. A complete liquor inventory was done 1/2/25.

No public comments.

The final 2024 transfer to the General Fund from Video Lottery was \$116,097.57 and Liquor was \$70,000.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Engesser to release the appropriated 2025 funds of \$15,000 to the Gary Volunteer Fire Dept to make the payment on the 2001 Ford F550 truck and approve the 2025 roster. All voting aye; carried. A full list of members covered by Workman's Comp is available at City Hall.

An AED (automated external defibrillator) was donated to the city by the Gary Givers. Once an area to keep the device is established, the public will be notified for use if needed in an emergency.

Motion by Grabow, second by Engesser to approve special temporary liquor license for the American Legion Ballroom on Sunday's 2/9, 3/9, 4/13, 5/11, 2025 at E 24' of Lot 11 and all of Lots 12, 13,14 in Block 1, Original Plat, City of Gary, SD. On sale only. All voting aye; carried.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Grabow to renew the contract with Code Enforcement Specialist for 2025 and pay the \$1,500 retainer fee. All voting aye; carried.

Current water and sewer rates were reviewed.

Interest rates from area banks were discussed. Motion by Grabow, second by Nosbush to purchase an 18-month treasury bill at SD FIT using \$250,000 from the money market and reinvest \$250,000 in an 18-month treasury bill that matures 2/15/25. All voting aye; carried.

Motion by Engesser, second by Grabow to open an account with DNB National Bank for the funds associated with the wastewater project. All voting aye; carried.

Austin presented the council with lawn mower bids. Motion by Engesser, second by Grabow to surplus the 2022 Z994R John Deere for trade in and upgrade to another Z994R. All voting aye; carried.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Engesser to pay First District Association of Local Governments \$397.84 for 2025 annual membership. All voting aye; carried.

Motion by Grabow, second by Bekaert to pay Glacial Lakes and Prairies Tourism \$240.00 for 2025 advertising membership. All voting aye; carried.

There was no other discussion and executive session was not needed.

Next meeting will be Monday, March 3, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Gary City Hall.

Motion by Engesser, second by Grabow to adjourn. All voting aye; carried.

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Joni Kjelden, Finance Officer

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