

**Beresford City Council**

**April 20, 2020**

The Beresford City Council met in regular session in City Council Chambers on April 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Mayor Nathan Anderson presiding, Troy Boone, Steve Cain, Gerald Dahlin, Troy Doeden, Art Schott and Teresa Sveeggen.

**Also Present:** Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer; Jerry Zeimetz, City Administrator; and Tom Frieberg, City Attorney.

**Adopt Agenda:** A motion was made by Sveeggen to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Dahlin and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Boone and seconded by Cain to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Committee/Mayor Reports:**

**National Library Week Proclamation:** Mayor Anderson declared National Library week April 19-25, 2020 and referenced the following proclamation.

**WHEREAS**, today's libraries are less about what they have on the shelves and more about what they can do with and for their communities, whether it's through virtual services or in-person visits;

**WHEREAS**, libraries have long served as trusted and treasured institutions for people of all ages, interests and backgrounds;

**WHEREAS**, libraries of all types are at the heart of their cities, towns, schools and campuses;

**WHEREAS**, libraries offer members of the community opportunities to explore new passions through technology, programs and services;

**WHEREAS**, libraries and librarians help patrons find tools and resources to help improve the quality of their life;

**WHEREAS**, libraries, which promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, are cornerstones of democracy;

**WHEREAS**, libraries strive to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations they serve;

**WHEREAS**, libraries and librarians work to create an equitable society by providing free access to accurate information to all people;

**WHEREAS**, in times of crisis, libraries play a critical role in continuing to support their communities when they need it the most;

**WHEREAS**, libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational programming that transform lives and strengthen communities;

**WHEREAS**, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that I, Nathan Anderson, proclaim National Library Week, April 19-25, 2020. During this time, I encourage all residents to visit their library's website to access resources and services remotely. Because of you, Libraries Transform.

### **Department Head Reports**

#### **Todd Hansen – Telephone Supt.**

- **Investment Opportunity:** Hansen provided information about an investment opportunity through the Fiber Ring Recovery Pooling Association (FRRPA). A motion was made by Schott to authorize a \$70,000 investment in FRRPA; funds will come from BMTC 2020 budget (or SD FIT if necessary). The motion was seconded by Dahlin and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Resolution 2020-03:** Tom Grimmond of Dougherty & Co. was present to answer any questions from Council regarding Lease Purchase Financing for the Fiber to the Home Project. Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Sveeggen, and seconded by Boone, to approve Resolution 2020-03: Lease Purchase Financing for Fiber to the Home Project. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

#### **Resolution 2020-03 (published separate of minutes)**

#### **Jeff Heidebrecht – Street/Water/Sewer Supt.**

- **Sewer Mains:** Televising of sewer mains will begin on April 27; a map of the areas to be viewed was presented and discussed.
- **Seasonal Hire:** A motion to hire Jack Antonson at \$13.00/hr. as a maintenance/repair seasonal employee for the Street/Water/Sewer and Electric Dept. was made by Schott and seconded by Dahlin. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried. A motion to hire Bill Sebern at \$27.00/hr. as seasonal part-time help for the Street Dept. was made by Schott and seconded by Boone and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Street Repairs:** Discussion was held on tentative plans for street repairs. Heidebrecht will compile a list of streets most in need of repair and anticipated costs.

#### **Kelly Knutson – Parks Supt. and Golf Supt.**

- **Updated Seasonal Employee Wages:** A revised list of wages for seasonal employees was presented and discussed. Schott made a motion to accept the updated wages and Sveeggen seconded the motion. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
  - 2020 Lifeguards (hourly wages): Grace Boone, Manager, \$13.00; Sydnie Boone, \$10.05; Gabrielle Engbarth, \$9.80; Isabelle DeLay, \$9.55; Anna Atwood, \$9.55; Lacey Mockler, \$9.55; Gage Lyle, \$9.55; Laura Bogue, \$9.30 (pending certification) and Cait Savey, \$9.30 (pending certification).
  - 2020 Park and Golf Seasonal (hourly wages): Cait Savey, \$10.05; Cali Boden, \$9.55; Oliver Doeden \$10.55; Hayden Wilson, \$9.55; Tyler Lewison, \$12.50; Larry Boden, \$10.75, Cody Klungseth, \$9.30.
- **Swimming Pool:** Knutson discussed with Council potential scenarios for opening the swimming pool. It was agreed that Knutson will purchase required chemicals so the pool can be opened quickly if/when deemed safe from COVID-19 concerns.

#### **Elaine Johnson – Finance Officer**

- **Municipal Election Update:** The Municipal election will be held in conjunction with Union County on June 2, 2020. Alternate polling places are being considered to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. The SD Secretary of State's office sent a press release stating their office will be mailing absentee ballot applications to all registered voters in South Dakota.
- **2019 Annual Report:** The 2019 Annual Report compiled by Quam, Berglin & Post was presented. A motion was made by Dahlin, and seconded by Doeden, to approve the 2019 Annual Report. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

### **Old Business**

**Consider Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-02: An Ordinance amending the regulations regarding the use of golf carts on city streets within the City of Beresford:** Changes to the ordinance include sticker fee, distribution sites, and minimum age of purchasers. A motion was made

by Sveeggen, and seconded by Schott, to adopt Ordinance 2020-02 amending the regulations regarding the use of golf carts on city streets with the City of Beresford. Members voting aye: Boone, Dahlin, Doeden, Schott, Sveeggen; voting nay: Cain. Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 2020-02 (published separate of minutes)**

**New Business**

- **Library Board:** Letters of Resignation from the Library Board were received from Garet Wyatt and Amy Stimes. Mayor & Council thanked Wyatt and Stimes for their service to the Library.
- **Step Pay Increases:**
  - Tony Laurvick – Telephone Dept.: A motion was made by Schott to approve Tony Laurvick’s step-pay increase to \$22.52/hour. The motion was seconded by Dahlin and all Council members voted aye; motion carried.
  - Jan Antonson – Bridges Clubhouse and Event Center: A motion was made by Schott, and seconded by Sveeggen, to approve the anniversary increase for part-time employee, Jan Antonson to \$12.29/hour. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Payment of Bills:** A motion was made by Boone to pay the bills as listed below. The motion was seconded by Doeden and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Alliance Comm. Corp., toll settlement, \$359.08; Axon Enterprise, Axon camera assembly, \$699.00; Bank-Koe, fire alarm monitoring, \$378.00; Beal Distributing, beer, \$2086.85; Beresford Republic, publishing, \$593.36; Border States Elec., CATV equip., \$946.70; Best Western Ramkota, lodging, \$119.00; Centerville Farm & Auto, filters, \$579.20; CHS, fuel, \$515.42; Concrete Materials, asphalt mix, \$952.88; Core & Main LP, meters, \$8008.08; Coyote Enterprises, HP-15T, \$449.99; Dakota Beverage, beer, \$916.60; Express Comm., toll settlement, \$3506.18; FARR Technologies, engineering fees, \$71,924.96;

Fred the Fixer, re-key doors, \$564.45; Frieberg, Nelson & Ask LLP, City attorney, \$4987.50; Goldfield Telecom, resale, \$858.57; gWorks, year-end forms, \$202.76; Hancock Concrete, sewer manholes, \$228.00; Heartland Payment Systems, CC equipment, \$265.18; iconective, LLC, operating exp., \$47.19; Jack’s Uniforms, clothing, \$587.25; Johnson Bros. Famous Brands, liquor, \$184.50; KCL Group, life ins., \$142.80; Layer 3 Technologies, CATV equip., \$233.66; Lewis Drug, office supplies, \$2.99; Madison Group, FTTH, \$14,720.00; MN Municipal Util. Assoc., Safety Program, \$3487.50;

NENA, CID subscription, \$255.00; Office Depot, office supplies, \$71.99; Olson’s Pest Tech., service, \$118.00; PureAg Ventures, fertilizer, \$1547.00; Republic Nat’l Dist., liquor, \$640.22; Rovi Guides, guides, \$608.79; SDN Communications, internet access, \$1458.43; SD One Call, locate fees, \$64.05; Southern Glazer’s of SD, liquor, \$350.69; SpotOn, CC Fees, \$434.82; Steeneck Enterp., clothing, \$52.29; The Country Club/SF, used range balls, \$1050.00; Vantage Point, CALEA, \$160.00; Vast Broadband, service, \$51.88; Walt’s Homestyle Foods, resale, \$181.50; Washington Nat’l Ins., group ins., \$243.85; Wellmark BC/BS, health ins., \$36,699.70; WESCO Dist., supplies, \$315.00.

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. was made by Dahlin and seconded by Boone. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

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Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer  
Recorded by Kathy Stuessi