

**BERESFORD CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, February 21, 2023**

The Beresford City Council met in regular session in City Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Members Present:** Mayor Nathan Anderson presiding, Troy Boone, Will Roelke, Art Schott, Eli Seeley, Teresa Sveeggen, Mike Tiedeman

**Also Present:** Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer; Jerry Zeimetz, City Administrator; Robert Frieberg, City Attorney; Michael Schurch, Beresford Police Chief (present via Zoom); Mike Antonson, Electric Dept. Supt.; Jeff Heidebrecht, Street/Sewer/Water Supt.; Jane Norling, Head Librarian

**Adopt Agenda:** A motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Seeley and seconded by Boone. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Approve Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2023 regular meeting was made by Seeley and seconded by Roelke. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Visitors to be Heard:** Woody Houser, owner of Windmill Campground, was present to reopen discussion on potential expansion of the campground. He shared his views on the need for expansion due to increased demand and possible benefits to the City and community. Carl Weatherton was also present and voiced his agreement that campground expansion would be beneficial for workers from several construction projects that will be in the area soon. Following brief discussion, Council thanked Mr. Houser.

**Department Head and City Administrator Reports**

**Michael Schurch - Police Chief**

- **Part-Time Hire:** Chief Schurch made a recommendation to hire Chet Moser as a part-time police officer. Schott made a motion, second by Tiedeman, to authorize hiring Chet Moser as a part-time police officer for the Beresford PD at \$25.00/hour. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **New Police Vehicle:** Chief Schurch informed Council he is beginning to look at different options for purchase of a new police vehicle in 2024. A tentative plan is to sell two of the vehicles currently in the fleet and to use those proceeds toward purchase of a new vehicle in 2024. He will keep Council updated on the process.
- **SF Area Humane Society Invoice:** Chief Schurch expressed concern about charges received from the SD Area Humane Society for rabies testing on bats that was not authorized by the Beresford PD. He believes unauthorized charges should be paid by the homeowner. Following discussion, it was agreed to review the current contract with the SF Area Humane Society to ascertain how this should be handled.
- **Less Lethal Impact Munitions Policy:** The Police Dept. is in the process of converting their shotguns to a less lethal alternative. A policy was written with the specific criteria required pertaining to the use of less lethal impact munitions and has been reviewed by the City attorney.

**Mike Antonson - Electric Supt.**

- **February 14 Power Outage:** Supt. Antonson updated Council on the cause for the outage and the temporary repairs done to restore the power. Permanent repairs will be done as soon as the weather is more favorable.
- **South 7<sup>th</sup> Street Loop Expansion:** As part of the South 7<sup>th</sup> Street extension project, plans were to include new 3-phase underground power which would run from Ash Creek Drive north to the football field. The project has been on hold awaiting extension of the street. Supt. Antonson would like to start construction on this project as soon as materials become available and the weather allows. When this extension is complete, it will provide another option to reroute power in the event of a power outage. The City Council advised to move forward with the project as soon as feasible.

**Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer:**

- Johnson shared information about the January 2023 financial reports. She highlighted some of the expenditures paid during the month. Johnson informed Council that some funds were moved

to SD FIT to take advantage of an opportunity to receive an interest rate of 4.178%. These funds remain accessible if needed. Schott made a motion, second by Tiedeman, to approve the January 2023 financial reports. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

### Old Business

- **Bids for Beresford Ballfield Addition:** Zeimetz summarized the bids received for the ballfield expansion project as compiled by Banner Associates. Following discussion, a motion was made by Sveeggen to accept the low bid of \$1,745,700.00 from Parkway Construction, as recommended by Banner Associates. The motion was seconded by Tiedeman and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried. Other items for the project were discussed and will be finalized at a future meeting.

BIDDER	TOTAL BID
Parkway Construction	\$1,745,700.00
Schwartzle Construction, LLC	\$1,814,000.00
Metro Construction	\$2,188,835.36
605 Companies, Inc.	\$2,229,435.15

### New Business

- **Library Hire:** Following recommendation from Head Librarian Norling, Schott made a motion to hire Jennifer Clever at \$15.30/hour as part-time librarian. The motion was seconded by Tiedeman and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Soil Boring Proposal for Wastewater Treatment Facilities:** Zeimetz explained information received from Banner Associates in regard to soil boring for the wastewater improvement project. Schott made a motion, second by Sveeggen, to approve the quote of \$4500 from GeoTech for soil boring for the wastewater improvement project. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Letter of Support:** A motion was made by Schott, second by Sveeggen, to approve a letter of support for the SD Good and Health Community Grant being submitted by Scott Klungseth for fitness parks/stations. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Seasonal Help:** A motion was made by Schott to authorize advertising for seasonal help for the Bridges Golf Course, Parks, Swimming Pool and Public Works Depts. The motion was seconded by Seeley. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Travel Requests:** A motion was made by Boone, second by Tiedeman, to approve the following travel request. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

- SDML District 3 Annual Meeting, March 16, Alcester, Johnson, Zeimetz, City Council
- SDMEA Conference and Technology Expo, April 3-5, Watertown, Antonson, Knutson

**Payment of Bills:** A motion to approve payment of the following bills was made by Boone and seconded by Tiedeman. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

Aaron's Pro Window Cleaning, service, \$70.00; AFLAC, insurance, \$1343.15 & 697.06; American Eng. Testing, water labs, \$38.00; Azar Comp. Software Serv., digital service center, \$500.00; Baker & Taylor, books, \$422.64; Bally Sports North, affiliate fees, \$3053.56; Ban-Koe Co., alarm monitoring, \$415.00; Big 10 Network, affiliate fees, \$136.03; Border States Elec., socket drive, \$51.82; Capital One Trade Credit, tools, \$8.38; Center Point Large Print, books, \$81.81; CenturyLink, 911 circuit, \$113.06; City of Beresford, PEERS door prize, \$125.00; City of Sioux Falls, tipping fees, \$3979.72;

Core & Main, supplies, \$704.65; Dakota Beverage, beer, \$148.90; EFTPS, Federal Excise Tax, \$493.47; FARR Tech., internet maint., \$652.50; Fed Ex, shipping, \$17.68; Fiber Ring Revenue, pooling fees, \$5375.00; Frantzen Reporting, fee, \$51.75; Frieberg, Nelson & Ask, city attorney, \$2098.75; Grossenburg Implement, parts, \$711.88; Intense Graphics, t-shirts for FB4, \$1107.78; Interstate TRS, TRS fund, \$286.30; KCL Group Benefits, life ins., \$123.70; Tanner Knutson, clothing, \$199.95; Loffler, contract/overage, \$432.32; Menards, equipment, \$55.96; MidAmerican Energy, natural gas, \$6934.24;

New Century Press, publishing, \$320.42; Nexstar Broadcasting, affiliate fees, \$3239.84; ODP Bus. Sol., supplies, \$79.79; Overdrive, books, \$670.46; Performance Foodservice, food, \$781.24; Quill Corp., supplies, \$288.95; RDO Equip., parts, \$80.25; Reel Sharp, repair, \$4089.09; Ben Reiter, mileage, \$60.00; Roo's Sanitation, disposal service, \$5390.00; Rovi Guides, guides, \$721.23; SDN Comm., internet access, \$3368.66; SF Humane Society, testing, \$209.00; Southeastern Elec. Coop, electricity, \$378.53; Stretchers, equipment, \$217.50; Sturdevants, supplies, \$7.49; The Fillin' Station, repair, \$221.00;

Alex Thompson, clothing, \$228.86; USAC, schools & libraries, \$2194.10; Utilismart, service contract, \$1533.00; Vantage Point, CALEA, \$160.00; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service, \$748.89; USBank, 2014 clean water SRF, \$10,328.11; 2014 drinking water SRF, \$5802.01; 2016 clean water SRF, \$7343.63; 2016 drinking water SRF, \$4319.18; Wellmark BC/BS of SD, health insurance, \$41,506.66; Wells Fargo, CC charges, \$4078.18.

**February 2023 Payroll Totals:**

Finance \$6440.00; Gov't Bldg. \$148.70; Police \$28,018.69; Street \$14,417.73; Parks \$931.10; Water \$9574.08; Electric \$28,772.39; Sewer \$8930.32; Telephone \$29,786.54; Rubble/Recycling \$898.56; Library \$9821.82; City Admin \$9507.20; Golf Course \$1564.25; Clubhouse \$7225.09; Event Center \$307.19.

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business, Mayor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

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Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer  
Recorded by Kathy Stuessi