

**BERESFORD CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, February 18, 2025**

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 Eli Seeley presiding, Sarah Antonson, Pat Bickett, Will Roelke, Larry Rohrer, Art Schott, Mike Tiedeman

**Also Present:** Finance Officer Elaine Johnson, City Administrator Jerry Zeimetz, City Attorney Tom Frieberg, Grayson Lass

**Adopt Agenda:** A motion to adopt the agenda as amended was made by Tiedeman, second by Schott. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Approve Minutes:** A motion was made by Tiedeman, second by Rohrer, to approve the February 3, 2025, meeting minutes. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**Visitors to be Heard:** Grayson Lass was present to request Council to review Ordinance 5.0217 regarding barking dogs. He shared similar ordinances from Brandon and Sioux Falls and offered suggestions on revisions to Beresford's ordinance. Following discussion, it was agreed to research the ordinance and consider future revisions.

**Committee and Mayor Reports:**

- **Community Calendar:** Mayor Seeley reminded Council of the Community Calendar on the City of Beresford's website. He highlighted two upcoming workshops to be held in the Beresford Public Library: "Aging Well Workshop: Decoding Mental Health in Older Age" will be held on Feb 19 at 10:00 AM. "Foods for Health, Strength, and Vitality" is scheduled for Feb 25 at 6:00 PM. Other city-related meetings and events will also be listed on the calendar.
- **Feeding South Dakota:** Feeding South Dakota, a non-profit that previously distributed food through Set-Free Church, is currently looking for a location to distribute food in our community. Discussion was held on possible locations for this program that benefits around 100 local families. Mayor Seeley will meet with the group to get more information on their needs.

**Department Head and City Administrator Reports**

- **Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer:**
  - Johnson highlighted some atypical expenditures and revenue from January 2025. A motion was made by Schott, second by Roelke, to approve the January 2025 financial reports. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
  - Johnson explained that because the City is receiving Federal funding for the sewer system and pipe lining projects, additional audit services are required by the Federal Government. Schott made a motion, second by Rohrer, to approve the 2024 Annual Audit Engagement Letter with ELO CPA's and Advisors for an additional \$4000. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

**New Business**

- **Abatement Request:** City Administrator Zeimetz explained that the City received a tax bill for Lincoln County Parcel 260.50.32.010 (Bak Development Project). As the City is tax exempt, an abatement request will be filed. Schott made a motion, second by Antonson, to approve the abatement request for Lincoln County Parcel 260.50.32.010. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **New Ballfield Parking Lot:** Following explanation of the project and a tentative timeline, Schott made a motion to authorize advertising for bids for paving, striping and signage for the new ballfield parking lot. The motion was seconded by Tiedeman and all present Council members voted aye; motion passed.
- **Pay Request:** A motion was made by Tiedeman, second by Rohrer, to approve the pay request from Twite Construction in the amount of \$155,799.31 for construction of the new Parks & Golf Departments' maintenance building. All present Council members voted aye; motion carried.

- **Seasonal Employees:** Schott made a motion to authorize advertising for seasonal employees for the Pool/Parks, Golf, Street and Electric Departments. Rohrer seconded the motion, and all present Council members voted aye; motion carried.
- **Chamber of Commerce Request:** The Chamber requested use of the Bridges Event Center to host a Chamber mixer in March. Following discussion, Schott made a motion to allow the Chamber to use the Bridges Event Center at no charge (in lieu of Chamber membership fees) on March 21 for their Chamber mixer. The motion was seconded by Tiedeman and all present Council members voted unanimously; motion carried.
- **Sponsorship Agreement for New Ballfield Complex:** Discussion was held on sponsorships and naming rights in order to generate revenue for the new ballfield complex. A draft of a sponsorship agreement was reviewed.

**Approval of Travel Requests:** A motion was made by Tiedeman, second by Schott, to approve the following travel requests:

- Police Chiefs/Sheriffs Annual Conference, Deadwood, April 14-17, Schurch, Bullis

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

A&B Business, copier, \$88.44; Amazon Capital Serv, TV stand, \$629.81; Michael Antonson, meals/mileage, \$508.70; Appera, service, \$570.62; Azar Comp Software Serv, digital service center, \$250.00; Badger Comm, supplies, \$1929.14; Baker & Taylor, books, \$559.54; Banner Assoc, Bak Housing Dev, \$29,935.75; Beresford Fire Dept, equipment, \$2250.00; Big 10 Network, affiliate fees, \$82.90; Blooston & Mordkofsky, prof serv, \$705.25; Border States Elec, equipment, \$667.96; BW/Ramkota, SDMEA mtg, \$363.45 & JUTS, \$440.00; Cengage Lrng, books, \$123.16; Ctr Point Large Print, books, \$57.34;

CHS, fuel, \$874.52; City of SF, tipping fees, \$4734.08; Core & Main, meters, \$1514.89; D&D Door, remotes, \$236.00; DAD's Auto, service, \$449.91; Dakota Data Shred, shred, \$181.33; Dakota Traffic Serv, equipment, \$690.00; DragonEye Tech, equipment, \$3211.95; Eide Bailly, Office 365, \$216.50; Erickson H&C, service, \$212.61; Express Comm, settlement, \$1113.62; FanDuel Sports Network, affiliate fees, \$2178.75; FARR Tech, repair, \$976.00; Fiesta Foods, food, \$90.81; Frieberg, Nelson & Ask, city attorney, \$1750.00; Jack's Uniforms, clothing, \$407.69; KCL Group Benefits, life ins, \$142.50;

Loffler, copier contract, \$411.54; Jeanine Lohre, food, \$82.44; Menards, supplies, \$252.78; Mid America Computer Corp, billing fee, \$4034.88; Midwest Tape, DVD, \$50.98; Muth Elec, service, \$700.00; Nat'l Cable Tel, affiliate fees, \$21,097.89; New Century Press, publishing, \$140.56; Nexstar Broadcasting, affiliate fees, \$3221.04; Olson's Pest Tech, service, \$235.00; Jared Olson, LG cert, \$224.05; Overdrive, audiobooks, \$1579.66; Performance Foodservice, food, \$841.36; Pfeifer Imp, parts, \$75.00; Pride Neon Sign Co, warranty, \$1450.00; Quadiant Fin, postage, \$3175.75;

Roo's Sanitation, disposal serv, \$10,886.67; Rovi Guides, guides, \$766.65; SD Div of Motor Veh, 2024 Chevy Silverado, \$26.70; SDN Comm, internet, \$2954.71; Showtime Networks, affiliate fees, \$48.96; Southeast Elec Coop, electricity, \$141.75; Straightlines Dir Boring, refund, \$90.09; Sturdevant's Auto Parts, parts, \$55.98; Twite Const, golf/park shop, \$155,799.31; US Bank St Paul, COP2020D/Admin Fee, \$2500.00; Washington Nat'l Ins, insurance, \$84.30; Webit.com, website fee, \$490.00; Wellmark BC/BS, insurance, \$43,079.29; Wells Fargo, CC charges, \$2283.14; Xigent Solutions, support/firewall, \$1559.57.

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business, Mayor Seeley adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

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Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer  
Recorded by Kathy Stuessi