

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 Gareth 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.

Elaine Johnson, Finance Officer
Recorded by Kathy Stuessi