

LAKOTA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 4TH, 2024

The Lakota City Council held its regular meeting on November 4th, 2024, at the City Hall. Mayor Bill Solberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All Council Members were present, except Member Nelson. Member Fahey entered the meeting on speaker phone at 6:17pm. City Attorney Jayme Tenneson, City Auditor Amie Vasichек and City Supt. Josh Ulland were in attendance. Sheriff Schwind, Deputy Madche and Kelly Peters were audience members.

The council stood and conducted the pledge of allegiance.

Member Vasichек made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 7th, 2024 regular meeting, seconded by Member Ferguson. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Solberg recognized Deputy Madche.

Deputy Madche stated he was in attendance to ask permission to utilize the community center in the winter months for training of the K9. Deputy Madche stated they are looking for additional venues to help train the K9. The airport hangar, city shop and above city hall were also offered to Deputy Madche. Deputy Madche stated the K9 will be used until 12 years of age and the K9 is currently 2 years old.

Deputy Madche and Sheriff Schwind left the meeting at 6:08pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No sidewalk quote provided.

Mayor Solberg, Supt. Ulland and Member Ferguson stated they were satisfied with the clean up of the junk on property. Supt Ulland stated he wrote up a satisfaction letter for Mr. Hoffarth's property and will get a copy for the city hall.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Solberg suggested adding Dan Ferguson to the signature card for the city.

Member Vasichек made a motion to add Dan Ferguson to the signature cards for the city and remove Dennis Mattern at the state bank of Lakota, seconded by Member Haugland. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Solberg suggested putting Cole Haugland on the street committee. Mayor Solberg stated he would like to review the remaining committees after the election is complete.

Supt. Ulland stated he would like the hoop barn to be set up and received a bid for concrete from Bullis Construction of \$21,000.

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Member Vasichек suggested putting the hoop barn next to the lift station instead of south of the city shop. Supt. Ulland stated it could be placed south of the fence area next to the lift station and move the dirt and gravel piles elsewhere.

Member Vasichек made a motion approve Bullis Construction bid of \$21,000 to erect the Hoop barn and place it south of the fenced area of the lift station, seconded by Member Ferguson. On a roll call vote, all voting in favor. Motion carried.

Auditor Vasichек presented information on the kitchen remodel project at the golf course clubhouse. Auditor Vasichек stated the project has received around \$10,510 in grants and donations, but still remain approximately \$7,000 short. Auditor Vasichек stated she spoke with Josh Nelson on the option to share the expense with the clubhouse and he indicated the clubhouse has invested approximately \$75K into the building/business already and do not have extra funds.

Member Haugland made a motion to approve using the sales tax economic development fund up to \$7,064.31 to complete the golf clubhouse kitchen remodel project, seconded by Member Ferguson. On a roll call vote, all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Supt. Ulland's provided the council with his written report and attached with the minutes.

Supt. Ulland stated water operator Burkland is requesting a computer and printer at the water treatment plant. Supt. Ulland suggested also including a security camera and internet.

Member Ferguson made a motion to get security cameras and internet service at the water treatment plant, seconded by Member Vasichек. On a roll call vote all members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Member Vasichек asked Supt Ulland to get an estimate for a computer at the water treatment plant, but was not in favor of a printer.

Supt. Ulland stated the snow plows are ready for the season.

Mayor Solberg suggested having the leaves picked up off the streets in the next few days as weather allows.

ENGINEER REPORT

No report provided.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

No additional report provided.

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COUNCIL REPORTS

Member Ferguson stated there is a car that parks on the east side of the park and continuously throwing their garbage on the berm. Member Ferguson stated he has spoken to the sheriff's department on the issue. Supt. Ulland stated he also spoke with the sheriffs department on the issue.

Member Vasichек reviewed the community center improvement pledges for the month and the HVAC system has started to be installed.

ADVISORY REPORTS

No report provided.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Solberg stated he has appreciated all the growth and community effort in Lakota recently and is incredibly proud of the community as a whole.

AUDITOR REPORT

Auditor Vasichек' s written report was provided and attached with minutes.

Auditor Vasichек stated the asbestos removal has been started on the 2 Slum and Blight buildings and additional funds from the state for removal have been approved totaling \$11,000.

Auditor Vasichек stated the Hulstrand Addition sign has been fixed.

Mr. Peters thanked the city for their involvement with the CDBG funding of \$1,000,000 for the installation of an elevator and ADA bathrooms at the Lakota High School.

After reviewing the bills and vouchers, a motion was made by Member Vasichек to pay all the bills presented for payment and those bills paid prior to the meeting. Member Haugland seconded the motion. Motion carried, on roll call vote of 4-0.

Advanced Business Methods	\$	248.51
BCBS	\$	8,125.79
Border States	\$	1,795.31
CHS	\$	1,314.90

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Computer Express	\$	300.00
Dakota Mailing	\$	235.48
Dept of Environmental	\$	128.08
EFTPS	\$	2,727.80
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Elan	\$	684.11
Fargo Country Club	\$	960.00
Ferguson Waterworks	\$	1,845.41
Ferry, Mark	\$	887.00
Fahey, Gary	\$	261.30
Hawkins	\$	1,219.50
Hope Electric	\$	10,026.67
IXOM Watercare	\$	4,223.94
Johanson, Mikara	\$	9.84
Kittelson, Terry	\$	28.38
Lakes Area Turf	\$	4,754.00
Lakota American	\$	196.50
Lakota Farm Services	\$	172.00
Lakota Hardware	\$	547.24
Lakota Municipal Utilities	\$	150.00
Lakota Municipal Utilities	\$	640.35
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Lakota Sanitation	\$	11,821.09
Locator & Supplies	\$	352.71
Menards	\$	247.54
MRES	\$	29,960.46

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MRES	\$	340.30
NDPERS	\$	3,609.04
Nelson Co. Sheriff	\$	3,415.00
Nelson Electrical	\$	2,164.00
Neonlink	\$	78.80
Nodak	\$	3,394.77
ND Telephone	\$	49.40
North-Holt Electric	\$	3,995.00
NXTEC USA	\$	502.23
Pitney Bowes	\$	990.11
Polar	\$	1,417.48
PowerManager	\$	7,428.18
Quill	\$	286.10
Renewed State	\$	1,700.00
Rysavy Plumbing	\$	289.10
Stumper Pumper	\$	1,050.00
T & R Electric	\$	8,873.05
Thein Well	\$	315.00
Verizon	\$	152.34
Vestis	\$	71.27
Wells Fargo	\$	1,442.28
Witzel Construction	\$	10,585.00
City Salaries	\$	14,698.86
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TOTAL	\$	170,885.18

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Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 2nd, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Member Haugland made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Ferguson.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

SUBMITTED BY:

Bill Solberg, Mayor

Amie Vasichek, Auditor