White City Council Minutes
December 9, 2015

The regular meeting of the White City Council was called to order on Wednesday December 9th, 2015 in the McKnight Community Center at 7:00pm by Mayor Terry Wright. Roll Call was taken: present – Tammy Byers, Chris Wilts, Chris Willmott, Wayne Kelm, and Deborah Hopfinger.

Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Wilts to approve the agenda; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The regular meeting minutes were read from November 2nd. Motion was made by Kelm, seconded by Wilts to approve the minutes as read; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The following bills were presented for approval:

Aflac	Aflac Insurance Premiums for November 2015	
Agri-Tech	Community Center Damage Deposit Refund	100.00
Alice Rennich	Mowing Leaves at Nursing Home	100.00
AMP Electric Construction Inc.	Community Center Work	14,766.98
Anderson Oil Company, Inc.	Service Work	630.93
Anderson Oil Company, Inc.	Service Work	102.04
Anderson Oil Company, Inc.	November Fuel	1,572.50
Anderson Oil Company, Inc.	Service Work	178.57
AT&T Mobility	CELL PHONE BILL 690-5030	31.86
Avenet Web Solutions	GovOffice Annual Service Package	375.00
Brookings County Sheriff's Office	January 2015 Contract Law	1,595.65
Brookings County Sheriff's Office	December 2015 Contract Law	1,595.65
Brookings Hy-Vee	Dec 11 Catering Event	1,540.80
Brookings-Deuel Rural Water System	November Water	1,928.90
Central Business Supply	3 Portable Toilet Rentals	225.00
City of Brookings - Landfill	Clean-up Day	145.64
Cobb Creek Construction	Labor for Museum Roof Repair	6,106.98
Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling	November Garbage Pickups	1,805.20
Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling	White Clinic Garbage Service	61.48
Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling	Extra Trash	400.00
Daniel DeYoung	Payroll for November 2015	2,379.50
Daniel DeYoung	Health Insurance Stipend November 2015	250.00
Daniel Satterburg	Final for Dueling Pianos	1,500.00
Daniel Satterburg	Deposit for Dueling Pianos	300.00
David Lucas	Fall Application of Spray for Softball field	126.00
Deborah Hopfinger	Santa Night Pictures	100.00
Dollar Tree Stores Inc.	Christmas Decorations	48.76
East River Electric	October Transmission Service	3,468.36

EFTPS	Payroll Taxes November 2015	1,046.68
Erik Gutormson	Reimbursement from South Sensations	46.59
Fite, Pierce & Ronning Law Office	July - Nov 2015 Legal Services	1,367.75
Heartland Consumers Power District	November Power	22,584.39
Heartland Consumers Power District	October Power	20,162.78
Hendricks Farmers Lumber	Museum Roof Repair Materials	6,004.02
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Interstate Telecommunications Coop	Phone service for November 2015	290.94
Joanne Murphy	Midstates Flooring Center Reimbursement	118.95
Lauren Nicoletto	Utility Balance Refund	65.67
Lewis Drug	Christmas Decorations	100.27
Lori Foster	Community Center Damage Deposit Refund	100.00
Lowe's	Museum Repair	363.75
Melanie Haber	Payroll for November 2015	1,618.76
Melanie Haber	Health Insurance Stipend November 2015	250.00
Midwest Pest Control	Pest Spray	77.50
RFD News Group, Inc.	October Publishing	201.30
Sally Damm HCCS	Consulting Fees	4,165.00
SD Dept of Environment & Natural Resource		Certification of Operators 2016
SD Dept of Environment & Natural Resource		Wastewater Annual Fee
SDRS	Retirement Contributions for November 2015	
Servall	Mop/Rag/Towel Rental	33.28
South Dakota Department of Health	Chemicals	30.00
South Dakota One Call	October 2015 Message Fees	3.36
South Dakota State Treasurer	November 2015 Sales Tax	1,490.92
Tammy Byers	Reimbursement for hall items	155.01
Wal-Mart	Office Supplies	74.11
Wal-Mart	Christmas Decorations	66.31
Western Area Power Administration	October 2015 Power	1,780.83
GRAND TOTAL	**105,621.33**	

Discussion took place about the Amp Electric bill for $14,766.98. Finance Officer, Haber, presented the council with an e-mail she had received from Amp's bookkeeper explaining the charges. The council felt that there were changes that were done that were not approved of. Council asked Haber to contact Robbins Construction, who worked as general contractor, to see what the issue was and if they are responsible for this bill. Motion was made by Willmott, seconded by Wilts to approve all the bills except the Amp Electric bill as presented; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

At 7:05pm, the Council discussed the update on the museum roof repair. So far the cost has totaled $13,884.02. However, some of the bills have not been turned into the city yet. Councilmember Byers will check on the status of a couple bills and report back to Finance Officer. Once all bills are reported, the city can turn everything over to insurance to receive their claim allowance.

The Council proceeded to discuss the updates with the old White Care Center building. There will be a Mills Construction Meeting on December 16th at 6:30pm in the Legion Room and all community members are encouraged to attend. This is not a formal city meeting as it is put on by Mills Construction so councilmembers are not required to attend but are highly encouraged. The council discussed selling the van that was acquired with the purchase of the building. Last month the council voted to surplus the van however the Community Club had the idea of using the van as a shuttle service for people who rent the hall for events. The shuttle could be used to transport guests to and from their home outside of town or even to Brookings and back. This would encourage less drinking and driving. The council's concern was that the van would spend more time parked than used and the maintenance cost will exceed the benefits. Others felt that a different van may be best suited for something of this sort considering the existing van has a large wheelchair lift in it which would take away seating for more passengers. The Council decided to continue the surplus process for the van at this time.

The Council had been approached by Stein Signs to pay the 50% down payment on the Community Digital Sign which would total $12,070.50. This payment would be divided by the 3 entities sponsoring the sign which would mean the city would need to pay $4,023.50 for the down payment. Haber asked the Council if they would prefer to hold off paying this until 2016 since this was not in the original budget for 2015. Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Wilts to pay the down payment as soon as necessary; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

There were 3 liquor licenses submitted to the city for 2016 and included Six Mile Creek Golf Course, Lefty's Sports Pub and White Community Club. All applicants have submitted their required fees along with their application. Motion was made by Kelm, seconded by Wilts to approve the SMC license; roll call vote taken as follows: Byers –Yes, Willmott – Abstain, Hopfinger – Yes, Kelm – Yes, Wilts – Yes; with a vote of 4-1, motion carried. Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Kelm to approve the Lefty's license; roll call vote taken as follows: Byers –Abstain, Willmott – Yes, Hopfinger – Yes, Kelm – Yes, Wilts – Yes; with a vote of 4-1, motion carried. Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Wilts to approve the WCC license; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The Council proceeded to discuss hall improvements including adding black skirting to the stage. The total for 64' of skirting would be $450.00 plus $25 shipping. The Pioneer Days committee has approved donating the $475.00 for the skirting. The skirting has been ordered and should be installed prior the December 11th event in the hall. The Council also discussed adding sheeting on the other 2 walls in the hall to dress up the area. Mike Robbins was supposed to get back to the city with a cost estimate, but has not yet. It was also discussed about adding outlets to the east and west walls since nothing currently exists there for power.

Dan DeYoung, City Maintenance Superintendent, was absent from the meeting. A list of jobs will be given to DeYoung and include: replacing kitchen door knob, replacing Christmas bulbs, extending business district snow removal to include the Ag First elevator area, and other basic maintenance items. Byers asked that she be reimbursed for the purchase of 450 new Christmas bulbs totaling $387.08. Motion was made by Wilts, seconded by Hopfinger to approve; roll call vote taken as follows: Byers – Abstain, Willmott – Yes, Hopfinger – Yes, Kelm – Yes, Wilts – Yes; with a vote of 4-1, motion carried. Mayor Wright stated that he would like to implement a policy where all employees need to report all leave times and overtime to their supervisors. The supervisors were given a calendar where they are to record this time for the employee. Wright also stated that he would like to get signs made that post both the City Finance Office and Maintenance hours.

Melanie Haber, Finance Officer, stated that the city has received the Brookings County Emergency Management grant for their new siren totaling $5,287.71. She also asked to schedule an end of the year meeting to pay any necessary bills before the first of the year. If the meeting is not needed, she will cancel it. The council agreed to December 30th at 6:30pm for the tentative meeting.

Upcoming Meetings/Dates/Agenda Items included:

- December 4th – 12th - Festival of Trees
- December 11th – Dueling Pianos Supper & Concert
- December 16th – Mills Construction Meeting – McKnight Hall 6:30pm
- January 4th, 2016 - Next Regular City Council Meeting – McKnight Hall – 7pm

Old Business included:

- Verizon Cell Tower – Byers stated she is still working on this issue.

Public comments – None.

The Contract Law Report was read.

Correspondence – None.

Nuisances included a deer being spotted throughout town.

The delinquent utility bill statement was presented to the Council with a total of 14 accounts being delinquent. Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Willmott to approve of disconnecting all but 2 accounts for personal reasons; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The Financial Statements were presented to the Council. Motion was made by Willmott, seconded by Byers to approve of the financial statements.

With no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Kelm, seconded by Willmott to adjourn; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Terry Wright, Mayor

Melanie Haber, Finance Officer