

The White City Council held a regular meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the McKnight Community Center. Mayor Gladis called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken, council members present: Cutler, Schwartz, Sunderland, Lagerstrom, Haines and Wright. Others present were, Charlotte Mickelson, Jacquelyn Schultz, Jen Olson with Pioneer Days, Geoff Andrews, Beverly Jensen with the Tri-City Star and Chad Landmark. All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Mayor Gladis began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call.

Motion by Lagerstrom, seconded by Haines to approve the agenda.

Motion by Cutler, seconded by Sunderland to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2023 meeting.

Motion by Lagerstrom, seconded by Cutler to approve the following claims:

Check	Check Amt.	Description
Appera	\$49.08	Cleaning Supplies
BioAg Energy Services	\$572.32	Fuel
Bizzy Bee Cleaning	\$495.00	Month of May 2023 Cleaning
Brookings County Sheriff	\$1,595.65	May 2023 Contract Law
Brookings-Deuel Rural Water	\$5,979.20	April & May 2023 Water
Brookings Municipal Utilities	\$4,820.17	Blown Fuses and Bad Transformer
Century Business Products	\$19.91	Copy Contract
City of White	\$1,389.56	Utilities
Cooks Wastepaper and Recycling	\$2,318.03	May 2023 Contract
Courtesy Plumbing	\$736.49	Work at Mens Park Bathroom & McKnight Hall
East River Electric Power Co.	\$3,530.81	April 2023 Wheeling Fees
Heartland Consumers Power	\$23,451.10	April 2023 Power & March SPP Transmission
Infotech Solutions	\$384.00	Software Backup
Lowes Home Centers, Inc.	\$239.47	Supplies and Materials
Pests B Dead, LLC.	\$200.00	Rodent Control-Fire hall/McKnight Hall
Riteway	\$202.69	Check Blanks
RFD News Group, Inc.	\$76.60	Publishing Fees
Runnings Supply, Inc.	\$496.88	Supplies and Materials
South Dakota One Call	\$5.25	Message Fees for April 2023
SD Department of Health	\$354.00	Water Testing
Team Laboratory Chemical Co.	\$254.50	Terminator Weed Killer
Van Deist Supply Company	\$959.50	Fogging Chemicals
Western Area Power Admin	\$2,706.38	2023 April Power

Public Comments: Geoff Andrews, who lives on the golf course, had talked with other homeowners on the golf course about asphaltting the road on golf view drive. They feel that their tax money benefits the city and those residents receive the benefit of snow removal. Mayor Gladis has reached out to a few contractors and has gotten rough estimates for bids. No action was taken by the council but will look into it a later date.

Jen Olson, the President of Pioneer Days presented the council with the posters for this year's town celebration. She noted that the posters will be going to print this week and will be posting them hopefully next week. She also mentioned that she will not be marking the sidewalks to indicate where you can have an open container but will be posting the route to Facebook.

Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine renewal was reviewed and approved for the Side Track Bar, LLC.

Motion by Lagerstrom, seconded by Wright to approve the Side Track Bar, LLC Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine renewal.

Finance Officer Byers informed the council that the property on main street that was purchased last year from Byers needed to be abated for property taxes. Because this was a mid-year transaction from a taxable entity to a non-taxable entity, it was never switched when the property was purchased. This abatement will be sent to the county office to review and get changed to a tax-exempt property for the upcoming assessment year.

Mayor Gladis informed the council that the city currently charges \$14 per unit per month for garbage and Cooks Wastepaper and Recycling charges the city \$11.51 per pickup. Mayor Gladis suggested that we raise the garbage rates to \$18 per unit, per month. There was some discussion about it and the council decided that because the water and sewer rates will soon increase because of the project, that the city keep the garbage rates the same.

Councilman Lagerstrom gave an update on the projects that will be happening this summer and fall, as well as next year. Banner will be coming to survey the town at the end of June, just for homeowners to be aware of. Banner also gave a bid of \$550,000 to redo the entire water town- inside and out. Lagerstrom has been working with McGuire Iron and he thinks the city would be better off contracting the work ourselves instead of going through Banner. It would be a lot cheaper to do it that way. The water tower project would be done in 3 phases costing a total of \$334,458.85. Phase 1 is to recoat the interior, which will take place this fall. Phase 2 is to install isolation valves and Phase 3 is to recoat the exterior.

The interior takes about 2 weeks to do. During those 2 weeks, we will be without service from our water tower because it will need to be drained to work on it. Lagerstrom will speak with Brookings-Deuel Rural Water about what the solution will be for that. The tower will also need to be drained to work on the exterior, but that will be happening next spring.

Prussman contracting submitted a bid to install the insulation valves needed for Phase 2. Mayor Gladis made a recommendation to hire Prussman to do that.

Motion by Schwartz, seconded by Wright to accept the bid of \$39,219.00 from Prussman Contracting for the installation of isolation valves.

Motion by Cutler, seconded by Schwartz to accept the bid from McGuire Iron to do the work of the exterior water tower.

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Lagerstrom also gave an update on the Emergency Services building. The surveying is complete. DeBoer Construction will be doing the digging and dirt work and Ludwig Concrete will be doing the concrete work. They are hoping for the dirt work and concrete to be complete by the beginning of July.

Lagerstrom suggested and typed up a draft about the upcoming city projects and what to expect in the upcoming months. We will be sending that letter out with the utility bills this month.

Finance officer Byers informed the council that she has been working on the budget for 2024 and will continue to work on that. She gave a revenue and expenditure report for the year so far. Both revenue and expenditure are 46% of the way through the budget. She will also be sending out 2 disconnect notices this week.

Maintenance report, Chad Landmark noted that after flushing hydrants last week that there are 2 hydrant leaking. A shut off valve will need to be replaced for one of them to be able to fix the one leaking hydrant. Chad has also started fogging for mosquitos and he will do that 2 times a week. There is a house on East Main St that will likely be torn down in the next 7-10 days.

Motion by Wright, seconded by Lagerstrom to adjourn at 8:17pm.

Scott Gladis-Mayor

Rachel Byers-Finance Officer