

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
JEFFERSON CITY COUNCIL
JEFFERSON, SOUTH DAKOTA

July 1, 2024
Jefferson City Hall
7:00 p.m.

Members present: P. Rigg, T. Boulware, M. LaFleur, J Lokhorst, M. Stokely and J. Van Beest

Others present: B. Arioso, T. Huber, T. Johnson, S. LaFleur-Sayler, K. Pyle, M. Roark, K. Seals and D. Sharkey.

Mayor Rigg called the Regular meeting of the City Council of Jefferson, South Dakota, to order, with CM Van Beest joining the meeting via speaker phone. Motion to approve the agenda by Lokhorst second by Stokely. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024, City Council meeting by Boulware second by LaFleur. Motion carried.

Actual Bank Balances:
Checking: \$ 13,315.05
Savings: \$ 318,611.30
CD: \$ 18,038.62
Restricted Cash: \$10,770.00
Petty Cash: \$100.00
TOTAL FUND BALANCE AS of 6-30-2024: **\$360,834.97**

Motion to approve the financial statement by Stokely second by Lokhorst. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The former Jefferson High school property was first on the agenda. Mr. Tom Johnson stated the rock crusher was on another job and should be here at the end of the week. The footings at the school will be removed eventually. Repurposing the existing gymnasium has been an ongoing discussion. Gary Roan, BI, came to City Hall and looked at the as built plans for the gymnasium. BI Roan advised the FO the structure aka bones of the building can withstand the modifications proposed. CA LaFleur-Sayler reminded the City Council the existing agreement calls for the demolition of the red tagged buildings. CA LaFleur-Sayler stated modifications or changes to said agreement need to be made with an amendment which she would send to Mr. Johnson's lawyer. A discussion followed. Motion by LaFleur directing CA LaFleur-Sayler to draw up said amendment and forward that to Mr. Johnson's lawyer second by Boulware. Motion carried.

Dust control for the City's streets and alleys was discussed last month. FO Roark discussed this with Roger Sayler, Jr. and his opinion was the city might need their own semi load of dust control material due to the area they wish to cover.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2024 flood and berm installation was discussed. Mike and Tyler Chicoine started the berm around Jefferson prior to the flood water reaching Jefferson but the inundation came too fast . The berm helped but was also breached in areas that needed shored up with sandbags. A

permanent berm was discussed and the logistics ironed out as to placement. Further discussion was held concerning plugging culverts, floodway/floodplains. There was also concern as to individuals burning flood debris. Burning flood debris is discouraged due to flood waters changing the chemical make-up of said debris. Mr. Huber is with the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Huber introduced fellow firefighter Kirk Pyle. Mr. Huber stated the SO told the firemen they gave an individual permission to burn debris. A discussion followed as to what is allowed and not allowed. There did not appear to be an SOP for flooding in our area.

Jason Casper joined the City Council meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Motion to approve the application from Bryant Arioso dba Rott Vineyards, Inc. for Retail on-off sale Wine license for the Days of '59 event by Casper second by Boulware. Motion carried.

Mayor Rigg recognized Tim Huber and Kirk Pyle from the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Huber was present to discuss the money the city gave the JVFD for new air tanks. Mr. Huber stated after that money was given to the Fire Department the firemen were given 45-minute packs from another Department and following that the Fire Department received a \$25,000.00 grant. The grant has to be spent on tanks, packs, and masks. The Fire Department was able to purchase a recharge system. Mr. Huber advised the City Council the Fire Department wanted to be forthcoming about their situation and ask if the City Council would object to their utilizing the City funds towards the refill station or miscellaneous items needed for SCBA's. A discussion followed. It was the consensus of the City Council the Fire Department can utilize those funds for any equipment they may need. Mr. Huber asked about the sales tax the Ambulance Department receives and wondered if those funds could be split with the Fire Department. The matter will be considered when the 2025 budget is reviewed.

Police Department:

PC Sharkey's report was reviewed and discussed. A copy is kept on file at City Hall.

Traffic Verbal Warning x too many to count.

Traffic Warning

Animal Call x 3

Agency Assist Union County x 2 (Structure Fire/Suspicious Person)

Suspicious person

Found property.

Welfare Check

Theft from Motor vehicle (Nothing taken)

Debris in Roadway

Structure Fire

Flooding

National Night Out- First Tuesday in August (8-6-2024)

Street Department:

Flooding/Road Closures

Replaced the Gutter brush on street cleaner. Going to try and clean the streets before Days of '59.

Block party on July 4th on Lincoln Street. I have dropped off barricades to Jessica Praster.

Water/Wastewater:

Normal operation and working as it should.

Stabilization Pond Test July 23

Lift station 2 basket still needs repaired.

Lift station 1 worked as it should during the flood. Pumps ran from Sunday afternoon until Wednesday afternoon.

I will need to do minor work around lift station 1: Generator is off as it needs serviced. A sinkhole was found by the lift station which turned out to be the site of the old lift station.

I set up a service plan for both generators.

Lagoon did well during the flood. Never ran over and as it looks took no damage.

Multiple locates.

H&H Contracting was here. The water tower report was good, and the interior pictures shared.

Parks and Rec:

Mowed

Hustler mower fixed.

Softball Field back stop fence: Cardis showed up 7-1 to complete the job but stopped due to the rain.

Elk Point is going to spray mosquitoes on July 3rd.

Park still has standing water on the North side of the park.

Dakota Dunes has offered the city 3 pieces of park equipment. The City Council agreed to accept the equipment and utilize it.

Informational Items/Public Input:

City Hall will be closed July 4, 2024, for the Holiday and City employees may take July 5, 2024, if they wish.

Mayor Rigg took this time to express his appreciation for the City Council Members, City employees and the Jefferson Community members for their response to the flood event that threatened Jefferson and the surrounding area. Mayor Rigg stated outsiders told him they wished their towns and surrounding areas banded together like Jefferson. Everyone was present, they were working together whether they were townspeople, rural residents, Elk Point residents or North Sioux City residents. We were a team, and we should be proud of what we accomplished.

The September City Council meeting will be held September 9, 2024, due to the Labor Day holiday.

Mayor Rigg informed the City Council, Walmart on Floyd Boulevard in Sioux City, Iowa, donated \$5,000.00 in gift cards for Jefferson flood relief. The gift was donated for supply replenishment and a group of volunteers from Jefferson headed to Walmart while the City Council were meeting to fulfill the list of items that are needed. The group will notify Mayor Rigg when they are leaving Walmart and would like the City Council to help them unload the trailer. Walmart also donated a load of bottled water. Coke is delivering bottled water Wednesday July 3, 2024.

Claims:

Motion to pay the audited, approved warrants by Lokhorst second by Casper . Motion carried.

Monthly payroll/insurance benefits: General Fund: \$12,028.41, Enterprise Fund-Water: \$1,664.48, EPF-Sewer: \$1,664.48, Paddy Rigg, cell phone, \$100.00, Dustin Sharkey, cell phone-, \$100.00, William Manger, cell phone, \$100.00, Ace Hardware, Park supplies, \$34.99, Brians Repair, police vehicle repair, \$962.15, Conoco, fuel, \$612.34, Core and Main, water meters, \$3,263.00, Crary Huff Law Firm, legal fees, \$160.00, Dakota Dunes Times, publishing, \$25.00, Eakes, supplies, \$402.86, EFTPS-IRS, 941 taxes, \$4,706.39, H&H Contracting, sanitize/inspect water tower, \$5,049.00, Jefferson Ambulance, ½ penny sales tax-1,382.11, Leader Courier, publishing, \$141.81, Longlines, telephone service, \$179.19, Loren

Fischer Disposal, refuse service, \$4,140.00, MidAmerican Energy, utilities, \$ 1,708.33, Menards, supplies, \$198.37, PVS DX, Inc., water chemicals, \$752.43, Postmaster, box rent, \$84.00, Sharkey, Dustin, Room WW Test per diem, \$472.71, Sioux City Journal, website, \$174.00, SD 811, locates, \$3.36, SESD Tourism Assoc, dues, \$176.00, SD Public Health Lab, water tests, \$44.00, SD DANR, test fees, \$60.00, SD DOR, sales tax, \$271.15, SDRS, SD Retirement, \$2,171.92, SDRS, SD Retirement, supplemental, \$100.00, State Industrial Products, WWT Chemicals, \$684.39, Stryker Sales, LLC, supplies, \$161.15, Titan Machinery, gutter brush, \$554.54, USA Blue Book, water supplies, \$226.12.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn regular session at 7:49 p.m. until the August 5, 2024, regular meeting by Boulware second by Lokhorst. Motion carried.

Padraic Rigg
Mayor
Jefferson, South Dakota

ATTEST:

Michaeleen Roark
City Finance Officer
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