

Castlewood City Council  
February 3, 2014

The Castlewood City Council met in regular session on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Paul Friske, LeeAnne Dufek, Jeff Shepherd, Lucas Mack, Greg Dobbs, Tom McEldowney and Roy Wiersma. Also present: Sheila Gerhold, Rick Ries, Monte McCuen and Ron White.

The meeting was called to order by the mayor.

A motion by Dobbs and seconded by Dufek to approve the minutes of December 30, 2013 and January 6th, 2014 with all members present voting aye and motion passed.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid on a motion by Dufek and seconded by Shepherd with all members present voting aye and motion passed: GENERAL FUND: Wages 3663.03; Janice Schiernbeck, wages 300.14; Electronic Federal Tax Payment, ss & wh 1122.44; H-D Electric, street lighting 8.60; Delta Dental, group ins. 75.60; SD Health Pool, group ins. 1893.76; SD Retirement Systems, retirement 670.34; Paul Friske, cell phone 30.00; First Premier Bank, library rent 150.00; Craig Bass Sanitation, garbage haul 13.75; Northwest Energy, natural gas 582.42; Gunderson, Evenson & Boyd, professional fees, 150.00; Sheila Gerhold, cell phone booster, maintenance shed, 228.95; Ottertail, utilities, 1846.57; ITC Communications, telephone 136.36; Janice Schiernbeck, books 50.92; Christian Book Distributors, books 179.60; Book of the Month, books 54.98; Castlewood Building Supplies, supplies 87.18; Menard's, supplies 709.79; Hamlin County Publishing, publishing 177.61; Hamlin County Auditor, police contract 2545.83; First District Ass'n dues 677.41. TOTAL GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS: 15,355.28.

WATER FUND: Justin Ries, wages 147.76; Electronic Federal Tax Payment, ss & wh 24.48; Ottertail, utilities 135.14; Richard Ries, cell phone & postage 35.67; SD Department of Environment, water testing 13.00; Rural Development, payment 1237.00. TOTAL WATER FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$1593.05.

SEWER FUND: Harry's Sewer Service, televise sewer line 202.50; Ottertail, utilities 106.04. TOTAL SEWER FUND DISBURSEMENTS: 308.54.

SOLID WASTE FUND: Craig Bass Sanitation, contract 3450.00; Department of Revenue, sales tax 217.90. TOTAL SOLID WASTE FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$3667.90.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS, all funds: \$20,924.77.

The opening of bids for the Football/Baseball field lighting was held. Two bids were received for the project: Ardent Lighting, \$159,470.00 and Persona, Inc., \$215,629.75. A motion by Dufek and seconded by Mack to reject all bids with all members present in favor and motion passed. Discussion was held on cheaper options to get the lights replaced. The finance officer is to obtain quotes for wood

poles and installation, using the existing lights we have and put them on new poles and moving poles with existing lights. These quotes will be looked at the next meeting in March.

Monte McCuen, representing Sioux Valley Economic Development, approached the council about purchasing Ida's Café for \$15,000.00. The development corp. would install new windows, furnace, and new water lines to update the building. Discussion was held on purchasing the older buildings on the north side of Main Street, tearing them down and putting up newer buildings. No action was taken.

Ron White was present to ask for a burn permit to burn John Griffith's house down which is located at 211 3rd Avenue South. The fireman would use the burning of the house as training. A motion by McEldowney and seconded by Mack to approve the burn permit. All in favor and motion passed.

Resolution #01-14 which allows the Mayor to be the certifying officer for the purpose of signing required documents pertaining to the Local Infrastructure Improvement Program grant from the SD Governor's Office of Economic Development for Oak Avenue was approved on a motion by Dobbs and seconded by Wiersma with all members present voting aye and motion passed.

Resolution 02-14 which allows the Mayor to sign the grant application for a SD Department of Transportation Agri-Business Grant for Oak Avenue with a 60/40 match. A motion by Wiersma and seconded by Mack to apply for the grant with the city paying 40% of the project. All in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Mack and seconded by Shepherd to close the Community Building from February 17th to February 28th to have Rick wax the floors. The City Office will be open and the Community Building portion will be closed. All in favor and motion passed.

The Engineering Agreement with Schmucker, Paul, Nohr & Associates was approved on a motion by Wiersma and seconded by Dufek and have Mayor Friske sign the document for the Warrior Road sewer replacement. All in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Dobbs and seconded by Mack to approve the General Journal entries. All in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Dobbs and seconded by Mack to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. with all members present in favor and motion passed.

Sheila Gerhold  
Finance Officer