

Castlewood City Council
June 1, 2020

The Castlewood City Council met in regular session on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ryman Dockter, Jeanette Bohls, Jeff Dahl, Michelle Barker, Shawn Mullaney and Mayor Brian Ries. Absent: Heather Schmit. Also present: Rick Ries, Sheila Gerhold, Jeff Shepherd, Jen Block, Dan Haug, Chris Lather, LeeAnne Dufek, Cory Akin and Joey Barrett.

The meeting was called to order by the mayor.

The agenda was presented for approval. A motion by Bohls and seconded by Mullaney to approve the agenda as presented with all members present in favor and motion passed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Ries.

The minutes of May 4th, 2020 were approved on a motion by Mullaney and seconded by Dockter with all members voting aye and motion passed.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid on a motion by Dockter and seconded by Bohls with all members voting aye and motion passed:

GENERAL FUND: Wages 5513.74; SD Health Pool, group ins. 1470.94; SD Retirement Systems, retirement 792.88; Delta Dental, group ins. 82.40; AFLAC, group ins. 87.58; Bass Sanitation, garbage haul 30.00; First Premier Bank, library rent 150.00; Hamlin Co. Republican, publishing 335.99; Ottetail, utilities 2196.75; Office Peeps, supplies 109.09; Hamlin County Auditor, police contract 3250.00; Ron's Saw Shop, repairs 92.81; Boyd Law Firm, professional fees 234.00; Estelline Coop, supplies 201.74; Brian Ries, cell phone 30.00; Castlewood Corner Market, supplies 73.68; Fastenal, supplies 184.61; Northwest Energy, utilities 150.77; RH Sealcoating, crack sealing 13500.00; ITC Communications, utilities 140.07; Colonial Research Corp., supplies 258.70; Roy's Sport Shop, supplies 94.99; Menard's, supplies 68.12; H-D Electric, street lighting 19.18; Electronic Federal Tax payment, ss & wh 1485.06.
TOTAL GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$30,553.10

BUSINESS DISTRICT FUND: Castlewood Community Foundation, donation 1000.00.

WATER FUND: Justin Ries, wages 166.23; Richard Ries, cell phone 30.00; Hamlin Co. Republican, supplies 598.00; Ottetail, utilities 146.43; SD Public Health Lab, water testing 42.00; Rural Development, payment 1237.00; Electronic Federal Tax Payment, ss & wh 27.54; Visa, postage 62.74.
TOTAL WATER FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$2309.94.

SEWER FUND: Ottetail, utilities 372.06; ITC Communications, auto dialer 38.34; Dakota Pump, repairs 493.62; SD One Call, locates 15.75; Visa, repairs 281.65.
TOTAL SEWER FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$1201.42.

SOLID WASTE FUND: Bass Sanitation, contract 4950.00; Department of Revenue, sales tax 333.83.
TOTAL SOLID WASTE FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$5283.83.

GOLF FUND: Wages 4259.96; James Janssen, wages 461.75; Neil Dvorak, wages 398.26; Kabren Jackson, wages 253.96; Chelsea Ruesink, wages 854.46; Erin Ruesink, wages 998.37; Brooke Bruinsma, wages 911.72; SD Retirement, retirement 635.36; SD Health Pool, group ins. 615.40; Delta Dental, group ins.

41.20; Zimco Supply, supplies 2977.00; Castlewood Locker, food 139.80; Watertown Wholesale, supplies 175.00; Dakota Tobacco, tobacco 241.48; Dakota Portable Toilets, port a pot 195.00; Castlewood Corner Market, supplies 35.22; Estelline Coop, supplies 214.58; ITC Communications, utilities 161.43; Coca Cola, pop 150.00; Visa, pop 181.60; VGM Financial, cart lease 420.30; Electronic Federal Tax Payment, ss & wh 1854.41; Department of Revenue, sales tax 2240.53; Ellwein Brothers, beer 1022.50; Porter Distributing, beer 528.30; TSYS Merchant Solutions, credit card fees 804.76; H-D Electric, utilities 742.87.
TOTAL GOLF FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$21,515.22

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS, all funds: \$61,863.51.

Public Comments: Ryman Dockter asked the mayor what he found out on the pump repairs from Lake Poinsett Sanitary District. The mayor said he was still waiting to hear from them.

The mayor did not have a report this month.

Finance Officer's Report: The finance officer stated there will not be any swimming lessons this year. She had applied for the mosquito grant. The city received notice from the State Hazard Mitigation Team and they approved Castlewood's warning siren purchase and installation. The project has been forwarded to FEMA for their approval. A letter from the city attorney that he had sent to a residence concerning no siding on their home was read.

The building permit for May was to Galen Swenson for a shed.

Discussion was held on summer recreation. All children going out for any of the summer recreation activities must sign a COVID 19 waiver form. Summer Recreation will be offering softball/baseball, Golf, basketball, volleyball, art, flag football and a variety sport. A motion by Mullaney seconded by Dahl to approve all summer activities. All in favor and motion passed.

Dan Haug discussed the 19 and Under boy's baseball. They are not having legion baseball and he would like to coach this team. He asked the city to sponsor the team. The fees would be \$150 for league fee and approximately \$150 for VFW insurance. He also discussed the ball field lights fee because of the shortened season. Neither the Ravens or Monarchs are going to have a gate fee this year. The city suggested reducing the fee to \$150 per team instead of the \$300. Cory Akin discussed not getting paid to coach the 12 and under girls in exchange for his team not having to pay the \$25 fee. A motion by Bohls and seconded by Mullaney to reduce the fee to \$15, reduce the lights to \$150, Pay the VFW insurance and league fee for the 19 and under boys' baseball with all members present voting aye and motion passed.

The finance officer contacted the SD Game, Fish and Parks concerning moving the playground for the football field. They GF&P stated we could move the playground as long as it stayed in Memorial Park.

The sidewalk at the grocery store was discussed. Jeff Dahl had gone and looked at the project. He said they discussed making the sidewalk narrower and installing a small gutter in to preserve the asphalt.

Fireworks for this year were discussed. They will be shooting fireworks after the Ravens and Monarch game on July 2nd. A motion by Dockter and seconded by Bohls to allow \$1500 for fireworks. All members in favor and motion passed.

The drainage ditch on 3rd Avenue was discussed. Jen Block and Joey Barrett were in attendance to discuss the ditch. Jen Block stated the ditch has been this way for 3 years. She discussed the mosquitoes and the stink. A motion by Dahl and seconded by Bohls to hire the city engineer to assess the issue and get some elevations done. All in favor and motion passed.

Discussion was held on Men's Night, Ladies Day and tournaments at the golf course concerning food. Meat prices for steaks, hamburger etc. are very high. A motion by Mullaney and seconded by Dockter to talk to Tables and the Ship's Inn for golfers to go there and eat and to revisit the food issue at the meeting in July. All in favor and motion passed.

The city needs a new dumpster at the park. A motion by Dockter and seconded by Barker to allow up to \$1000 to purchase a new dumpster with all members present in favor and motion passed.

The city received the color printer from Citizen's State Bank and there is a service agreement in place for all ink and maintenance on the printer for \$77.20 per month. A motion by Bohls and seconded by Barker to retain the service agreement. Roll call vote: Aye: Bohls, Dockter, Barker, Dahl. Nay: Mullaney. Motion passed.

A moving permit for Dale Hattendorf to move an 8x8 storage shed and a moving permit for Tim Popham to move a 11-foot 6-inch x 24-foot storage shed. A motion by Mullaney and seconded by Barker to approve both moving permits. All in favor and motion passed.

The snow plow was appraised by Mitchell Barker, Lonny Junker and Jeff Shepherd. They appraised the plow at \$1500.00. The finance officer is to advertise for 2 weeks. A motion by Barker and seconded by Dockter to approve the appraisal and advertise. All in favor and motion passed.

Discussion was held on chip sealing for the 2020 Season. A motion by Bohls and seconded by Mullaney to allow \$49,000 for chip sealing with all members present in favor and motion passed.

A referendum petition was circulated for the Schooley feedlot voted on May 4, 2020. A motion by Mullaney and seconded by Barker to set July 28th as the election day for the referendum. All in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Barker and seconded by Bohls to approve the May General Journal entries with all members in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Barker and seconded by Dockter to approve the cash register voids from the golf course with all members in favor and motion passed.

A motion by Dockter and seconded by Bohls to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Sheila Gerhold
Finance Officer