

**CITY OF CUSTER CITY
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS- REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 18, 2007**

Mayor Harold D. Stickney called to order the second regular meeting of the Common Council for the month of June, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. Present at roll call were Councilpersons Schleining, Culberson, Starr, Murphey, Pischke, and Chris Beesley, City Attorney. The Pledge of Allegiance was stated.

AGENDA

Councilperson Schleining moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Councilperson Pischke, the motion unanimously carried.

MINUTES

Councilperson Murphey moved, with a second by Councilperson Pischke, to approve the minutes from the June 4th, 2007 Regular meeting. Councilperson Culberson abstained. The motion carried.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts were stated.

DEPARTMENT HEAD DISCUSSION

Bob Morrison, Public Works Director, informed everyone that the irrigation equipment is in but there is a butterfly valve that needed to be ordered so the install will be as soon as the valve arrives.

Bob discussed the land off of Washington Street which is being developed for soccer fields and that the County did assist in tearing it up. One of the Contractors is working with us by letting us use their landscaping rake which will take out a lot of the rock.

There has been four new water taps in town on existing lots so the property owners are becoming creative. Bob also mentioned that the ball field lights seem to be attracting lightening so there will be individual ground rods installed per pole. This should help out.

Rex Harris, Community Development Director, discussed 5th Street and DOT planning a mill and overlay in 2008; this means no new construction for 20 years. The Custer Improvement Committee, meeting Wednesday the 27th, has been discussing node construction along with the redesign of 5th Street. All ideas are welcome. Rex stated they are working with DOT on the capacity available in the present storm sewer so there may be a way to connect Crook and Harney Streets. The parking along 5th Street will be preserved and possibly adding a speed board to alert the traffic going up the hill.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilperson Culberson moved to go into and out of an executive session due to contract negotiations at 5:40 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson Pischke, the motion unanimously carried. Mike Tennyson, Dr. Tim Creal, and Tracy Kelley, Attorney, joined the Council. Mike, Tim, and Tracy, left the meeting at 6:20 p.m. The session adjourned at 6:40 p.m. with no action taken.

PAVEMENT PROJECT BID AWARDS

Bob stated that the Pavement Project Bid Opening was at 1:00 p.m. today with three bids received as follows: Bituminous Paving \$1,372,574.40, Simon Contractors \$1,869,167.80, and Hills Material \$1,395,912.20. Bob discussed the engineer's estimate of \$1,077,801 and that the Public Works Committee discussed several options. One option would be to reduce the 3" asphalt to 2 ½"; Bob recommends negotiating with the Contractor before awarding the final bid. Councilperson Murphey discussed the fact that paving does increase maintenance cost and the roads will have to be put on a rotation schedule; the street maintenance tax will also have to be looked at real hard. The Finance Officer presented the preview of the reserve funds and discussed the additional money coming from the Law Enforcement Reserve, Economic Development Reserve, and from the Wastewater Fund Reserve. Councilperson Culberson stated that using the Economic Development money is good since we are investing in our Community. Rex agreed and stated that the Community will highly benefit from this project. Rex again mentioned the Custer Improvement Committee and that the redesign would cost from \$300,000 to \$400,000 and the Mitigation Grant will be \$300,000 to \$600,000 but that would be over a period of 3 to 4 years. Councilperson Starr questioned the completion date which Rich stated would be October 15th, 2007. Councilperson Pischke wondered if the property owners could contract with the Company while they are in town which Rex stated that would be a separate deal but the property owners could do that.

LIABILITY INSURANCE QUOTES

The General Government Committee recommended the City stay with SDPAA which was the lower quote and there hasn't been a problem with the Company. Councilperson Murphey moved to approve SDPAA Insurance. Seconded by Councilperson Pischke, the motion unanimously carried. Paul DeHaan, First Western Agency, was in the audience and thanked the Council for their time but did remind them that he is in town and willing to work with the City at any time.

PETITION SUBMISSION - BOOTHILL

The General Government Committee reviewed the information received and the petition from the residences of Boot Hill Ranch Estates requesting that the City does not install street lights in their area of town. The Committee recommends taking no action to install street lights since the majority has spoken.

Rex mentioned the street light to be installed at the intersection of Hwy 16A, Sidney Park Road, and the entrance to Woodlawn Meadows and that there is discussion on who will be installing and what type of light will be there.

SHERIFF'S WRITTEN REPORT

The Council received and acknowledged the May written Incident Activity Report from the Sheriff's Department; if there are specific questions, the Sheriff will be requested to attend the next meeting.

RECORDS DESTRUCTION LIST

The Council received and reviewed the Annual Records Destruction List which has been reviewed by all department heads. Councilperson Schleining questioned a few records to be reviewed just in case. Councilperson Culberson moved to authorize the destruction of records. Seconded by Councilperson Murphey, the motion unanimously carried.

BROWN BAG LICENSE

The Southern Hills Shrine Club submitted a Brown Bag License request to have a get-together in French Creek Park July 21st, during Gold Discovery Days. This will be a thank you for all Shrine Units who attend the Parade. Councilperson Murphey moved to approve this request. Seconded by Councilperson Pischke, the motion unanimously carried.

NEW HIRE

Bob recommended the hiring change of Tim Wollaston from temporary seasonal to full time as Interdepartmental Operator at Step 1 \$10 per hour effective June 25th, 2007. Councilperson Starr moved to approve this new hire. Seconded by Councilperson Pischke, the motion unanimously carried.

CLAIMS

Councilperson Schleining moved, with a seconded by Councilperson Pischke, to approve the claims. The motion unanimously carried.

AFLAC, Insurance Premiums, \$360.38
AGS Publishing, Publishing, \$177
American Linen, Repair & Maintenance, \$273.92
BH Council of Local Gov't, Professional Services, \$3086.40
BH Power, Utilities, \$8852.96
Century Business Products, Supplies, \$152.78
Chris Supply, Supplies, \$12.40
CAN Surety, Insurance Premiums, \$50
Coca-cola Bottling, Supplies, \$411.50
Culligan Water, Repair & Maintenance, \$152.75
Custer Chamber of Commerce, Sales Tax Subsidy, \$3579.95
Custer Community Health, Sales Tax Subsidy, \$19593.08
Dakota Backup, Professional Services, \$46.64
Eagle Sales of BH, Supplies, \$7816.48
Enviromaster, Supplies, \$22
Envision Design, 2005 Water Project, \$7104.05
ESRI, Repair & Maintenance, \$400
Fisher Beverage, Supplies, \$6265.91
Fresh Start Convenience, Supplies, \$1357.83
Golden West Technologies, Repair & Maintenance, Supplies, \$150
HD Supply, Supplies, \$1580.62
Hills Material, Supplies, \$218.81
Jenny's Floral, Misc., \$35
Kimball Midwest, Supplies, \$304.89
M&B Enterprises, Supplies, \$28
Mayer Plumbing, Repair & Maintenance, \$75
Moran USA, Supplies, \$132.58
Robert Morrison, Reimbursement, \$86
One Call Systems, Supplies, \$65
Petty Cash, Supplies, Travel & Conferences, Fees, \$187.96
Prairie Berry, Supplies, \$1011

Quill Corporation, Supplies, \$40.50
Sander Sanitation Service, Clean Up, \$8430
SD DOT, Supplies, \$425
SD Municipal League, Travel & Conferences, \$20
SD Secretary of State, Annual Report Custer Cruisin, \$10
SD State Executive MGMT, Utilities, \$32.32
Smith Irrigation Equipment, City Recreation, \$8830
The Ice House, Supplies, \$200.81
Wellmark, Health Insurance, \$5799
Western Dakota Technical, CDL Licenses, \$240
Western Wholesale, Supplies, \$9033.82
Christine Redden, Travel & Conferences, \$428.44
Rushmore Communications, Mayor's Other, \$654.50
Total Claims \$97,735.28

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilperson Schleining moved to go into and out of an executive session due to possible litigation at 7:05 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson Murphey, the motion unanimously carried. Bonnie Moore and Barb and Greg Edwards were present until 7:40 p.m. The session adjourned at 7:52 p.m. with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Stickney adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF CUSTER CITY

Christine Redden
Finance Officer

Harold D. Stickney
Mayor