

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 2, 2009**

The Faulkton City Council met in regular session on March 2, 2009 in the City Hall meeting room with Finance Officer Lisa Raethz (L.Raethz) and the following council members present: Kathy Biedenfeld, Dave Hadrick, William Kalkman, Slade Roseland, Gene Traver, and Steve Wanner. Others present: Ann Beadle, Joan Eschenbaum, Verne & Mickie Hansen, Jay Jahnig, Bill McKeon, Ellen Melius, Jim Moritz, Jerod Raethz(J.Raethz), and Dan & Val Ramsdell. Mayor Tim Bormann called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with all those present reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance".

2009.22. Minutes. Councilman Roseland made the motion, seconded by Kalkman, the minutes of the February 2, 2008 be approved. All members present voted aye.

2009.23. Financial Report. Motion by Councilman Biedenfeld, seconded by Traver, to approve the finance report. All members present voted aye. **CD's Due.** Motion was made by Councilman Biedenfeld, seconded by Traver, to renew CD #5229285(Sewer Fund) and #5229175(General Fund) for 11 months at 2.5%. Unanimous.

2009.24. Claims. The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Roseland. Unanimous.

Payroll for February- Total: \$8,552.25. Mayor: \$200.00, Finance Officer \$2,250.00, Street Department: \$2,692.50, Water & Sewer Department \$3,392.25, Rubble Site 17.50.

Abner Sales	Sprayer pump.....	424.71
AFLAC	Premium	111.62
Alltel	Cell Phone Contract.....	33.44
Bauer's Super Valu	Supplies	25.11
BerMac, Inc	Diesel	94.86
Brad Manning Digging	Clean 2 blks Sewer.....	300.00
Comfort Inn-Bismarck	Hotel Charge-Pool Seminar	110.00
Dacotah Bank	941 taxes	1,703.20
Dakota Dust-Tex.....	Supplies & Mats	53.60
Faulkton Farmers Elevator	Gas	106.33
Faulkton Hardware.....	Supplies & Repairs	271.32
Glacial Lakes & Prairies Tourism.....	Dues & Visitor/Vacation Guide	2,840.00
Health Pool of SD.....	Premium	4,485.08
Helms & Associates.....	Environmental Assessment .	2,633.73
Hutchinson, Marv.....	Replace Light on Tower.....	50.00
Independent Audit Services	Annual Report.....	450.00
KC Lumber	Carousel Panels	253.01
Lowe's C-Store.....	Hose & Glass Cleaner	21.06
Lyle Signs, Inc	Signs.....	243.63
Menards-Watertown.....	Nails.....	15.88
Michael Todd	Strobe Tube-Truck	47.42
Northern Plains Coop.....	Propane	1,046.80

NorthWestern Energy	Electricity	2,481.87
Office Equipment	Supplies	134.96
SD Dept. of Health	Lab Fees	12.00
SD Municipal League	Dist. 6 Mtg.	91.00
SD Retirement	Employer/Employee Contrib.	1,027.41
SDWWA	Membership Renewal-Jerod	10.00
Venture Communications.....	Phones, Fax, DSL, Website	199.46
Vogel's Auto	Filters & Oil	26.65
Web Water	January water used.....	5,238.60

City Maintenance Report.

Misc. Maintenance.

Street Sweeper Quotes. J.Raethz informed the council that the warranty on the street sweeper from Environmental Equipment is for one year. All other information on the engine and mileage came back favorable. Environmental Equipment will bring the sweeper and pick up the old one for a trade in. At the time of delivery if the city is not impressed with the sweeper, we do not have an obligation to purchase it.

Baseball Diamond. J.Raethz stated the baseball club's first game is scheduled for March 23rd. J.Raethz said the field is not ready but as soon as the weather permits the city crew will begin work on it.

OLD BUSINESS

Airport.

Park Garden. The Faulkton Beautification Committee (Mickie Hansen, Ellen Melius, Ann Beadle, Joan Eschenbaum) was present to update the council on the garden they are planning on placing in the park at the location where the old ice rink was. Mickie Hansen showed the council a picture of the garden and also a letter to organizations requesting funds. Hansen stated Common Sense Manufacturing would be building the metal pergola that would be centered in the middle of the garden. The plan is to have a good start on the project by Wild West Days and then continue as the money comes in. The Faulkton Area Lions Club will serve as the depository for the project. The Committee requested access to water and electricity and also have a light installed in the garden. Mayor Bormann stated the City will be installing electricity in the new shelter at the park and would be able to do the electricity at the garden at the same time. J.Raethz said getting water access to the area would not be a problem.

2009.25. Airport Ordinance No. 11. Mayor Bormann read for its Second Reading Ordinance No. 11 entitled, "An Ordinance regarding airport use, practices and procedures for the Faulkton Municipal Airport, for the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota". Motion was made by Councilman Roseland, seconded by Biedenfeld, to approve, adopt, and publish said ordinance. Unanimous.

2009.26. Commercial Sewer Rates Ordinance No. 12. Mayor Bormann read for its First Reading Ordinance No. 12 entitled, "An Ordinance amending Faulkton City Ordinance Chapter 9-2-15 (B), for the City of Faulkton, Faulk County, South Dakota". Motion was made by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Kalkman, to have the second reading of said ordinance on April 6, 2009. Unanimous.

2009.27. Water Project. Mayor Bormann informed the council that he met with Terry Helms about the water project last week. Helms provided the City with a cost estimate for a new water

tower (\$812,170.00) and recommended adding it to the water study. Helms explained that the federal stimulus package could mean the availability of grant funds to the city could increase. Bormann said in order to qualify projects must be ready to move forward in 120 days. Helms also recommended submitting a pre-application to Rural Development so they are aware of the project. Motion was made by Councilman Kalkman, seconded by Hadrick, to approve the Mayor to sign the pre-application to Rural Development when completed. Unanimous. A special meeting will be held on March 11th (12pm, City Hall) with Terry Helms and NECOG representative Eric Senger to discuss the Rural Development Grants/Loans further.

Community Access Grant Denied. L.Raethz reported that the Dept. of Transportation would not be awarding any grants this year. The City had applied for Community Assess Grant funds to complete a street mat project on 13th Avenue and Pearl St.

NEW BUSINESS

Vacating of Street & Hospital Parking Request. Verne Hansen and Jay Jahnig were present to discuss with the council what is needed to vacate a portion of Oak Street adjacent to the hospital, creating a uniform 80' street right-of-way. Mayor Bormann explained that the first step is to provide the City with a petition to vacate said street (with notarized written consent of all abutting landowners) and map showing the area. Bormann stated the city would need the information by the end of the week in order to advertise before the next meeting. Hansen also explained that with the hospital expanding their building, parking space would be lost. The FAMC would like to put a drainage pipe in the ditch that now borders the road to the south of the hospital and then pave over the top for parking. Eliminating the ditch would also eliminate the mosquito haven that it has become. The council raised many questions about drainage, snow removal, and safety. The council will wait to see a definite plan from Clark Engineering.

2009.28. Antenna Request for Water Tower. Bill McKeon, deputy sheriff/emergency manager, was present to request the City allow the County to place an antenna on top of the water tower. McKeon stated the current location (courthouse) has been experiencing trouble because the location does not have the proper height needed. McKeon said the repeater would be stored in the building below the water tower, owned by Venture Communications. A 5-year agreement with Venture would be in place. Motion was made by Councilman Wanner, seconded by Hadrick, to allow the County to place the antenna on the water tower as long as a liability waiver and hold harmless agreement is signed. Unanimous.

2009.29. Huff Construction Request. L.Raethz presented a request from Huff Construction (whom is building the new Dacotah Bank) to place their trailer in the parking area on 8th Avenue in front of the new building site. The trailer would occupy about 5 parking spaces. The Council denied the request and recommended they contact all business using the alley to the east about parking the trailer there.

2009.30. Carousel/National Register. L.Raethz showed the council an email from Jody Moritz about nominating the carousel to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Much discussion was held about what this would entail. Motion was made by Councilman Biedenfeld, seconded by Roseland, to have a National Register nomination for the carousel be drafted. Unanimous.

2009.31. Annual Report. Councilman Traver moved to approve, sign, and publish the 2008 annual report. Seconded by Wanner. Unanimous.

2009.32. Temporary Liquor License. Motion was made by Councilman Traver, seconded by Biedenfeld, to approve the American Legion Post #102 for a Temporary Liquor License for March 28, 2009 at the Legion Hall. Unanimous.

2009.33. Temporary Liquor License. Motion was made by Councilman Roseland, seconded by Kalkman, to approve the American Legion Post #102 for a Temporary Liquor License for April 25, 2009 at the Legion Hall. Unanimous.

2009.34. Brown Bag Permit. Councilman Wanner moved, seconded by Roseland, to approve the following request for a "brown-bag" permit as per SDCL 35-1.5.3.
Mike Zaun.....Banquet/Christmas Party.....Legion Hall.....03/8/09
Application is on file at the City Finance Office. Unanimous.

2009.35. Brown Bag Permit. Councilman Traver moved, seconded by Wanner, to approve the following request for a "brown-bag" permit as per SDCL 35-1.5.3.
Bruce Edgar.....Reception/Dance.....Legion Hall.....03/14/09
Application is on file at the City Finance Office. Unanimous.

2009.36. District 6 Annual Meeting. L.Raethz stated the District 6 Annual Meeting was planned for April 8, 2009 in Doland at 6:30 p.m. Biedenfeld, Kalkman, Hadrick, Roseland, Bormann, J.Raethz and L.Raethz will attend.

OTHER BUSINESS

Generator/NorthWestern Energy. L.Raethz said Ken Thompson contacted the office and said NorthWestern Energy has began to repair the generator and hoped to have it repaired and back in a couple of months.

2009.37. Executive Session. Time: 8:48p.m. Motion was made by Councilman Roseland, seconded by Biedenfeld, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, and character of employees. Unanimous. Out of executive session at 8:52p.m. No action taken.

2009.38. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Roseland, seconded by Hadrick. Motion carried. Time: 8:53 p.m.

Timothy D. Bormann, Mayor

Lisa Raethz, Finance Officer