

Council Minutes

Regular Session

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

The Freeman City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 6:30 pm at City Hall in Freeman. Mayor Michael Walter called the meeting to order and the following members were present: Blaine Saarie, Clifford Tjaden, Elizabeth Waltner and Steve Waltner. Also attending were Finance Officer Lisa Edelman, Duane Walters, Carol Eisenbeis and Scott Brewer.

Minutes

S. Waltner moved to accept the minutes of the March 21, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Saarie seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Vouchers

Tjaden moved to approve the vouchers listed below. S. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: All votes aye.

PAYROLL – FINANCE	2819.24	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROD, supplies	793.98
PAYROLL – MARKETING	3541.46	FENSEL’S ELECTRIC, supplies	194.81
PAYROLL – GOVERNMENT BUILDING	230.00	GOLDEN WEST, telephone service	1323.93
PAYROLL – POLICE	9190.56	JAMBOREE, supplies	177.96
PAYROLL – PUBLIC SAFETY	183.20	JOHNSON BROTHERS, liquor	903.08
PAYROLL – STREETS	1227.18	KLEINSASSER HTG, repair	75.00
PAYROLL – SEWER	5055.97	MATHESON, amb supplies	224.57
PAYROLL – REFUSE	3346.97	MATT RIGO, supplies	15.98
PAYROLL – RECYCLE	2597.13	MIDWEST TURF, equipment	11000.00
PAYROLL – WATER	6295.20	MR G’S, repair	630.00
PAYROLL – AMBULANCE	3995.99	NAPA, supplies	244.12
PAYROLL – PARK/POOL	484.76	NORTHWESTERN ENERGY, electric & gas	9121.62
PAYROLL – GOLF COURSE	3145.88	PERFORMANCE FOOD SERVICE, resale	3348.69
PAYROLL – LIBRARY	6805.23	PETTY CASH, golf	300.00
PAYROLL – COMMUNITY CENTER	225.00	PITNEY BOWES, postage	600.00
MERCHANTS STATE BANK, 941 deposit	8996.29	PRINTED IMPRESSIONS, supplies	60.00
SD RETIREMENT	5576.32	R & R PRODUCTS, repair	104.15
ACH FEES, payroll & utilities	30.00	RANDY BRODERS TRUCKING	475.00
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSN, dues	115.00	RORY HERMSEN, reimbursement	821.97
APPLIED CONCEPTS, police equipment	190.00	RUML PLUMBING, repair	117.30
APPEARA, rugs	113.06	RURAL MFG, repair	102.00
BEAL DISTRIBUTING, beer	640.70	SAARIE AUTO BODY, repair	1234.87
B-Y WATER, water purchase	5213.91	SD DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, license renew	344.00
B-Y WATER INTEREST	3168.00	SD DEPT OF REVENUE, sales tax	1022.68
C & B OPERATIONS, repair	1357.30	SECOND CENTURY PRINTING, publishing	643.67
CARDMEMBER SERVICES, supplies	1399.86	SIOUX INTERNATIONAL, repair	930.63
CHS, fuel	793.74	SOUTHEASTERN ELECTRIC, electric	2401.78
CITY OF FREEMAN, utilities	44.00	SQUARE, monthly subscription	35.00
CITY OF MITCHELL LANDFILL, garbage fees	2937.60	STERN OIL COMPANY, fuel	1470.69
CUMMINS SALES, repair	845.18	WEIDENBACH CONCRETE, supplies	13.50

DAKOTA BEVERAGE, beer	685.00		
EAST RIVER FURNITURE, golf equipment	259.00		
		VOUCHERS	71095.94
		SALARIES	49143.77
		TOTAL VOUCHERS & SALARIES	120239.71

Financial Report

Tjaden moved to approve the financial report as presented. Saarie seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License

The Council considered the application for a one-day alcoholic beverage license submitted by the following:

One day on-sale malt beverage license for Saturday, October 14, 2023

Application of:	Location of:
Freeman Athletic Association	Freeman Community Center
	224 S Wipf Street
	Freeman, SD 57029

No persons were at the meeting to show rejection of this application. Saarie moved to approve the one-day beverage license for Saturday, October 14, 2023. S. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Ambulance Roster

Saarie moved to accept the ambulance department roster for insurance purposes. E. Waltner seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Clean Up Days

S. Waltner moved to set Saturday, June 10 from 12:00 pm-5 pm and Wednesday, June 14, from 3 pm-7pm, as clean up days to provide free access to the City Rubble Site. This opportunity is available only to Freeman residents and those living within one mile of City limits. Only items currently accepted will be allowed, with an additional charge for TVs and computer monitors. Saarie seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Clubhouse Equipment

The golf course committee recommended the purchase of a propane stainless steel floor fryer for the clubhouse to replace the small fryer that is currently causing problems. Saarie moved to allow the purchase of a propane stainless steel fryer for the clubhouse. E. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Golf Course Personnel

S. Waltner moved to hire Judy Schrag as seasonal golf personnel for the 2023 season at an hourly rate of \$12.60. E. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Other Business

S. Waltner: Informed the council that an inspection was done at the rubble site. Electronics will need to be added to the permit on the next renewal.

Saarie: Gave an update on the snow removal for drainage and stated that it needs to be made clear that snow should not be piled at the end of Poplar Street. He also stated that the lights for Main Street are still estimated to be shipped June 6.

Walters: Informed the council that the lagoon lost power with the storm last Friday.

Walter: Stated that Paul Korn was contacted regarding the paint on Main Street. He was told that the new concrete was sprayed with a curing compound that wears off over time and as this wears off the paint does also.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Freeman City Council will take place on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Executive Session

S. Waltner moved to go into Executive Session at 6:49 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) personnel and SDCL 1-25-2(4) contract negotiation. Saarie seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Saarie declared out of executive session at 7:33 pm.

Saarie moved to hire Thomas Broders at \$23.00/hour plus \$1.00/hour increase upon completion of each water/wastewater certification. S. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Adjournment

Tjaden moved to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Saarie seconded motion. All votes aye.

Lisa Edelman, Finance Officer

Michael Walter, Mayor