

Council Minutes
Regular Session
Tuesday, August 15, 2023

The Freeman City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm at City Hall in Freeman. Mayor Michael Walter called the meeting to order and the following members were present: Charles Gering, Tabitha Schoenwald, Clifford Tjaden, Elizabeth Waltner and Steve Waltner. Also attending were Finance Officer Lisa Edelman, Duane Walters and Jay Slevin.

Minutes

S. Waltner moved to accept the minutes of the August 1, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Tjaden seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Vouchers

Tjaden moved to approve the vouchers listed below. Schoenwald seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

ACUSHNET, resale	263.28	MR G'S, repair	36.50
AFLAC, employee insurance	407.92	NB GOLF, repair	110.00
AVERA OCCUPATIONAL, drug screen	69.00	OFFICE ALLY, monthly subscription	35.00
BEAL DISTRIBUTING, beer	615.90	PERFORMANCE FOOD SERVICE, resale	2719.53
B-Y WATER, water purchase	8400.14	PLUNKETT'S, pest control	1739.31
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS, copy fees	284.79	PORTA PROS, portable toilet rental	155.00
CHESTERMAN COMPANY, drinks	69.00	RORY HERMSEN, reimbursement	493.35
DAKOTA BEVERAGE, beer	462.30	RURAL MFG, repair	1287.18
FREEMAN REGIONAL HEALTH, nursing staff	248.92	SAFE LIFE DEFENSE, police vests	988.20
FREEMAN SHOPPING CENTER, resale	1482.95	SPECIALTY AUTOMOTIVE, repair	318.96
HUTCHINSON CO TREASURER, programming radios	450.00	TESSIER'S, repair	395.93
JH DIESEL, repair	1076.94	THE DESIGN TAB, printing	152.50
JOHNSON BROS, liquor	1067.96	TOTAL STOP, fuel	1270.93
KEPP'S, resale	308.00	TWISTED METAL GARAGE, repair	200.00
KOERNER CONSTRUCTION, concrete work	3474.49	WEIDENBACH, concrete	5761.25
MATHESON, amb supplies	85.73	WELLMARK, health insurance	15198.47
MONTE WALTNER, spray	30.00	ZIMCO SUPPLY, chemicals	1546.76
		VOUCHER TOTAL	51206.19

Administrative Assistant Resignation

S. Waltner moved to accept the resignation of Lisa Jensen as administrative assistant effective August 18, 2023 and advertise to fill the position. E. Waltner seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye. The council would like to thank Lisa Jensen for her years of service to the City of Freeman.

1st Reading of Ordinance 2023-05

Council gave 1st reading to Ordinance 2023-05 to amend the parking and stopping in certain places ordinance.

1st Reading of Ordinance 2023-06

Council gave 1st reading to Ordinance 2023-06 to amend the bond schedule.

1st Reading Ordinance 2023-07 – 2024 Budget

Council gave 1st reading to Ordinance 2023-07 making appropriations and levying the property tax for the year 2024.

Marketing & Development Report

The marketing & development report was given to the council.

Other Business

Schoenwald: Informed the council there will be a dog day at the pool on Saturday from 2-4.

S. Waltner: Stated that the visibility is bad at several intersections and branches still need to be trimmed around town.

Walters: Informed the council that a new representative will be in town to look at the sewer lining. He has a call in about an emergency discharge to get the lagoons fixed and will need to purchase some black dirt for the Relanto Street ditching.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Freeman City Council will take place on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Executive Session

Schoenwald moved to go into Executive Session at 6:40 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) personnel. S. Waltner seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Mayor Walter declared out of executive session at 7:24 pm.

Schoenwald moved to authorize Elizabeth Waltner to make an offer for the janitor position. Gering seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Adjournment

Schoenwald moved to adjourn at 7:25 pm. Tjaden seconded motion. All votes aye.

Lisa Edelman, Finance Officer

Michael Walter, Mayor