

City of Gary, South Dakota
Regular Council Meeting –
Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in a regular session on Monday, March 4, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall. Aldermen Albert Bekaert, John Jenson, Clark Dessler, Darwyn Engesser, Joni Kjelden, and David Peterson were present. Mayor Jeff Engesser presided. Present also were Matt Spilde, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Lindy Artz, Mary Nosbush, Marty Grabow, Will Stone, Carey Hult, Heath Stone, Mike Nosbush and Shirley Pederson.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Dessler to approve the agenda. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Peterson to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2019 regular meeting. All members voted aye, motion carried.

GENERAL-FEBRUARY 2019 BILLS

Finance Office-1,566.68;Librarian-487.20;Streets/Parks-2,875.19;Water-906.19;Sewer-906.18;AFLAC-Premium-244.91;Ben Schulte-water bill from deposit-48.50;Bjerke Sanitation-garbage collection-1,605.98;Brookings-Deuel Rural Water-545,000 gallons-1,297.25;City of Gary-water/fire hall-22.79;Clear Lake Courier-proceedings,notices-116.13;Deuel Co.Auditor-Law enforcement-918.25;DC Farmer’s Union-monthly fuel charges-1,059.44;Deuel Co Highway Dept-cutting edge-157.30;EFTPS/FWT 941 Tax-FWT Bar-408.66, City-866.63=1,275.29;EFTPS/OASI/SS/MT-OASI-Bar-1,018.38, City-1,143.02=2,161.40;Gary Post Office-stamps-35.00;Gate City General-supplies-115.86;HD Electric-cemetery electricity-36.50;Humana-health insurance-107.00;ITC-phone,internet,fax,alarm loop-86.52,Library-DSL,Static IP-46.45;Mike Nosbush-cell phone reimbursement-25.00;Office Peeps-supplies-71.80;Ottetail Power Co.-Electricity-1,860.27;SD Assn of Rural Water Systems-annual dues-345.00;SD Dept of Health-coliform test-15.00;SD Dept of Rev & Reg-garbage tax-162.63;SD Retirement-Bar-672.30, City-847.70=1,520.00;SD Retirement-late fee penalty-89.40;Star Laundry-uniforms-68.20;Sturdevants-wiper blades-22.46;Swede’s Svc Center-wiper motor-252.86;Watertown Ford-air filter-39.53;Wellmark BCBS-Insurance-4,961.01.

LIQUOR-FEBRUARY 2019 BILLS

Municipal Liquor-8,930.13;AFLAC-Premium-402.82;Cash-Wa Dist-food/supplies-334.72;Chesterman-Pop-516.55;City of Gary-water,sewer,garbage-151.60;Culligan-monthly service-25.00;Ellwein Bros.-Beer-5,858.00;Gate City General-supplies/food-72.32;Harry’s Frozen Foods-pizza-171.00;Henry’s Foods-Cigarettes, food, supplies-2,559.17;ITC-Phone,DSL,TV-243.07;Johnson Bros.-Liquor,wine, wine coolers-1,749.58;Old Dutch Foods-Chips-53.90;Ottetail-Electricity-545.47;Pepsi-Cola-pop-208.00;Pizza & Burger Shack-pizza-180.00;Porter Dist. Co.-Beer, wine coolers-563.60;Republic National Dist.-Liquor, wine/wine coolers-1,066.89;SD Dept of Revenue-liquor tax-1,448.41;Star Laundry-towels, rugs-57.44.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to approve the verified claims and issue warrants in payment thereof. All members voted aye, motion carried.

No public comments were heard.

Comments were heard from utilities manager and finance officer. Committee and Ward reports were also heard.

Several members of the Gate City Development were present to discuss possibly working with the City to get some gas pumps back in town. After much discussion it was decided to pursue removing the old tanks through some state program first and then discuss it further.

Marty Grabow, representing the Dakota Trailblazers snowmobile club, was present to see if the City would allow them to have a street dance on First Avenue in front of the liquor store again this year on July 3rd and to request funding to pay for half the cost of the band. The council agreed to them having the dance if they get permission from the county and requested a financial statement from the club before approving any funds. This will be acted on at the April meeting.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to approve a special temporary liquor license for April 13, 2019 at the Gary Legion (Matt Spilde) at E 23' of Lot 11 and all of Lots 12, 13, 14 in Block 1 of Original Plat, Gary, SD. On-sale only. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Dessler, second by Bekaert to approve an end of year appreciation night for the teams that played pool and threw darts out of the liquor store. Each team will get a round of drinks and a pizza. The same motion and second included approving to provide food for the end-of-year league pool tournament to be hosted by the Gary Liquor Store this year. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Petersosn to not OPT OUT of the tax call for the tax year 2019 payable in 2020. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Jenson to approve the 2018 annual survey for the library and the 2018 annual report for the City of Gary. The Librarian has sent her report to the State and the annual report for the City will be sent to the Department of Legislative Audit and published in the Clear Lake Courier. All members voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to approve and have the Mayor sign the proposal from Independent Audit Services for an audit of 2018. All members voted, aye motion carried.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Jenson to approve the 2018 drinking water report from the DENR. Notices will be placed around town informing the public that copies of this report are available for viewing at the City Office. All members voted aye, motion carried.

There will be an election this year in Ward III. Incumbents filing petitions were Albert Bekaert for a two year term in Ward I, David Peterson for a two year term in Ward II, and John Jenson for a two year term in Ward III. Lindy Artz also filed a petition for the two term in Ward III. The election for Ward III will take place on April 9, 2019. Motion by Bekaert, second by Darwyn Engesser to hold the election at the Community Center in Gary, SD. Polling hours will be from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. An election board will be approved at the Equalization Meeting on March 18. All members voted aye, motion carried.

The Equalization Board Meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Gary City Hall. Anyone wishing to appeal their assessment value is required to notify the City Office in writing by March 14, 2019.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, April 1, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. at the Gary City Hall.

Motion by Darwyn Engesser, second by Dessler to adjourn. All members voted aye, motion carried.

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Shirley Pederson, Finance Officer
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