

City of Gary, South Dakota  
Regular Council Meeting –  
Monday, October 4, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in a regular session on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall.

Aldermen Albert Bekaert, Robert Stee, Josef Gislason, Clark Dessler, and Darwyn Engesser were present. Mayor Larry Stoks presided. Absent were David Peterson. Present also were Mark Junker, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Melinda Jensen, Ron & Barb Stangeland, Judy Heth, Jen Pederson, Mary Nosbush.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

Motion by Dessler, second by Stee to approve the minutes of the September 7 & 20, 2021 meetings. All members voted aye; motion carried.

**GENERAL-SEPTEMBER 2021 BILLS**

Finance Office-1,233.75;Librarian-592.50;Streets/Parks-9,999.15;Water-1,313.14;Sewer-1,313.12;Rubble-Site-151.49;Cemetery-0;Golf-0;Council-3<sup>rd</sup> quarter-2,650.00;AFLAC-Premium-149.43;Bjerke Sanitation-garbage-2,247.53;BDRW-517,000 gallons-1,374.10;Cartney Bearing-supplies-40.00;City of Gary-water/fire hall-22.74;Clear Lake Courier-proceedings,notices-481.33;Deuel Co. Auditor-Law Enforcement-506.94;Deuel Co. Community Foundation-Tour of Tables-400.00;DC Farmer's Union-monthly fuel charges/propane contract-2,303.27;Deuel Co. Hwy Dept-chip seal-8,654.45;EFTPS/FWT 941 Tax-FWT-1,735.56;EFTPS/OASI/SS/MT-OASI-2,752.42;Gate City General-supplies-31.93;HD Electric-cemetery-36.50;ITC-phone,internet,fax,alarm loop-94.33,Library-DSL,Static IP-46.45;Jason Anderson-phone reimburse-25.00;Jeff Nothem-water deposit refund-80.00;Kibble-mower blades-60.09;MN Dept of Revenue-3<sup>rd</sup> quarter withholding-716.62;Office of Child Support-garnishment-200.00;Office Peeps-archival permalife paper-59.49;Ottetail Power Co.-Electricity-712.26;Ron's Saw Shop-43.98;SD Dept of Health-coliform test-15.00;SD Retirement-735.66;Star Laundry-Uniforms-82.00;Unemployment Insurance-3<sup>rd</sup> qtr-11.79;Wellmark BCBS-Insurance-1,538.38.

**LIQUOR-SEPTEMBER 2021 BILLS**

Municipal Liquor-9,828.82;AFLAC-Premium-403.95;Cash-Wa Distributing-food/supplies-729.33;Chesterman-Pop-651.00;City of Gary-water,sewer,garbage-177.33;EFTPS/FWT 941 Tax-FWT-498.15;EFTPS/OASI/SS/MT-OASI-1,221.92;Ellwein Bros.-Beer-7,039.70;Gate City General-supplies/food-23.69;Granite Hardware-TV/bracket-744.00;Harry's Frozen Foods-pizza-935.25;Hendricks Farmer's Lumber-supplies-282.62;Henry's Foods-Cigarettes, food, supplies-3,660.95;ITC-Phone,DSL,TV-297.88;Jim Dandy-beef jerky-45.00;Johnson Bros.-Liquor/wine-2,182.32;Minn-Kota Pest Services,Inc-annual contract-513.00;Nosbush Plumbing & Heating-plumbing supplies-22.45;Ottetail-Electricity-575.46;Pepsi Cola-Pop-135.45;Pizza & Burger Shack-pizza-648.00;Porter Dist.Co.-Beer/wine-1,341.75;Republic National Dist.-Liquor/wine-1,383.05;Robin Lanners-phone reimburse,supplies-230.58;SD Dept of Revenue-liquor tax-2,725.20;SD Retirement-948.62;Southern Glazers-liquor-2,139.45;Star Laundry-towels,rugs-68.13;Technicolor Screen Printing-shirts,tumblers-4,290.30;Unemployment Insurance-3<sup>rd</sup> qtr-5.90;US Foods-bar supplies-44.55;Wellmark BCBS-insurance-6,153.61

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

During public input members of the Gate City Development asked about using the City of Gary's PO Box as their address. It was agreed that mail will be put aside and they will pick it up at the city office.

Employee contributions, committee reports, and ward reports were heard. Spraying should be completed at the golf course and cemetery by the end of the month.

Mark Junker, Professional Engineer with Banner Associates was present to discuss the 2021 Bridge Inspections for the bridges on Lac Qui Parle and Second Ave. More information will be obtained and then decided how to proceed.

Motion by Dessler, second by Bekaert to adopt the Ordinance No. 336-2021-374 to Regulate Medical Cannabis within the City of Gary. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Engesser, second by Dessler to approve the applications for a variance permit for Ron & Barb Stangeland and a conditional use permit for Josef Gislason. A public hearing will be held November 1. Stee, Bekaert voted aye; Gislason abstained; motion carried.

Melinda Jensen was present to talk about Gary's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration in July 2022. Motion by Bekaert, second by Stee to approve the parade route. Information will be published when details are finalized. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Jen Pederson from the Gary Community Club was present to get approval to close Summit St. from First Ave. to Second Ave. on October 31 from 3pm-5pm so they can hold a “trunk-or-treat” as part of their Halloween Party for kids this year. Also asking to close the same street for “Junk in the Trunk” on October 16<sup>th</sup> from 8am-12pm. Motion to approve requests by Stee, second by Gislason. All members voted aye; motion carried.

There were residents asking about having the siren shut off or at least decreasing the times it sounds. After discussion a motion by Dessler, second by Stee to shut the siren off from sounding every day at 12pm & 6pm. The Deuel County Sherriff’s Office will continue to test the siren monthly during storm season. Gislason, Engesser voted aye; Bekaert opposed; motion carried.

Motion by Stee, second by Engesser to get a water softener, increase wi-fi speed and purchase cash registers for the liquor store. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Liquor Operating Agreements for RJ Lotus Hospitality, LLC & 109 Club were reviewed. Motion by Dessler, second by Gislason to leave agreements same as last year. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Engesser, second by Bekaert to renew the 2022 Liquor & Wine License for the Municipal Liquor Store, RJ Lotus Hospitality, LLC & The 109 Club. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Dessler, second by Stee to go into executive session for personnel matters at 8:32pm. All members voted aye; motion carried. Mayor declared council out of executive session at 8:59pm.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 1, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Engesser, second by Bekaert to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried.

City Council, City of Gary

Joni Kjelden, Finance Officer

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