

City of Gary, South Dakota
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:30 pm at Gary City Hall

The Gary City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Gary City Hall. Aldermen Darwyn Engesser, Mike Nosbush, Jeff Nordseth, Doug Nelson, Robert Stee and Albert Bekaert were present. Mayor Larry Stoks presided. Also present were Carol Barger, Carol Stebor, Neil Schumacher, Rachel Hinsvark, Shirley Pederson, Mary Nosbush, Sharon Kloos, Jodie Engesser, Claudette Bagan, Mel Borg, Jackie Paulsen, Tawne & Melvin Pieper, Judy Heth, Jason Anderson and Joni Kjelden.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

Motion by Engesser, second by Stee to approve the minutes of the December 27th, 2022 year end meeting. All members voted aye; motion carried.

General-December 2022 Bills

Bjerke Sanitation-December garbage-2,204.52;BDRW-468,000 gallons-1,341.60;Clear Lake Courier-proceedings/notices-140.70;Deuel County Farmer's Union-Dec fuel charges-1,601.29;Gate City General-supplies-23.98;H-D Electric-cemetery electricity-36.50;Helsper, McCarty & Rasmussen-Nov & Dec attorney fees-5,310.00;ITC-phone,internet,fax,alarm loop-104.11,Library-46.45;Lorenzen Equipment-Bobcat cutting edge-412.20;Ottetail Power Co.-electricity-1,350.58;SD Dept of Rev & Reg-Nov/Dec garbage/landfill tax-266.79;Dept of Labor & Reg-4th quarter unemployment-17.88;Star Laundry-uniforms-82.00.

Liquor-December 2022 Bills

Chesterman-pop-1,222.60;Clear Lake Courier-Holiday ad-26.60;Culligan-monthly service-56.00;Ellwein Bros.-beer-9,147.00;First Bank & Trust-credit card/supplies-221.33;Gate City General-food/supplies-64.99;Harry's Frozen Foods-pizza-739.50;Henry's Foods-tobacco,food,supplies-3,164.60;ITC-phone,DSL,TV-248.33;Johnson Bros-liquor-4,862.44;Office Peeps-cash register x2-1,497.00;Old Dutch-chips-76.96;Ottetail Power Co-electricity-633.91;Pepsi-Cola-pop-170.46;Pizza Shack-pizza-324.00;Porter Dist.Co-beer,wine/coolers-835.40;SD Dept of Revenue-Dec liquor tax-4,768.17;Star Laundry-towels,rugs-102.30;SD Dept of Labor & Reg-4th quarter unemployment-5.96.

General-January 2023 Bills

Finance Office-1,584.50; Librarian-152.38; Streets/Parks-3,717.96; Water-762.65; Sewer-762.65;AFLAC-January premium-149.43;AT&T-data connect-43.23;Bjerke Sanitation-January garbage-2,571.34;BDRW-457,000 gallons-1,393.20;Buffalo Ridge Resort-employee Christmas party-768.06;Canby Auto Parts-oil/filter-86.52;City of Gary-water,sewer,garbage-56.76;Clear Lake Courier-city notices/proceedings-121.73;DANR-drinking water fees-50.00;Deuel Area Development-2023 contribution-1,500.00;Deuel County Auditor-Law Enforcement-546.21;Deuel County Farmer's Union-monthly fuel charges-1,548.85;DNB National Bank-annual safe deposit box-25.00;EFTPS/941 Tax-FWT-631.60,OASI-1,212.78;Ellen Schulte-16 @ 10.80-library-172.80;First District Assn-2023 annual membership-375.00;First Bank & Trust-supplies/credit card-138.70;Gary Post Office-stamps-74.00;Gate City General-supplies-17.28;Glacial Lakes & Prairies Tourism-2023 membership dues-240.00;HD Electric-Cemetery electricity-36.50;ITC-phone,internet,fax,alarm loop-94.75,library, DSL-46.45;Jason Anderson-cell phone-25.00;Joyce Meyer-19.5 @ 10.80-library-210.60;Menards-supplies-21.61;Minn-Kota Pest Control Services, Inc-initial set up at city hall, library, shop-345.00;Ottetail Power Co.-electricity-1,449.96;Pheasantland Industries-50 decals/golf cart permits-88.20;SD Dept of Health-coliform test-15.00;SD One Call-Oct-Dec 2022 msg fee-7.35;SD Retirement-January contribution-915.18;Star Laundry-city uniforms-79.16;Wellmark BCBS-February premium-1,503.76.

Liquor-January 2023 Bills

Municipal Liquor-10,755.07;ABATE-2023 passport fun run-50.00;AFLAC-January premium-403.95;Apol's Harley Davidson-2023 sponsorship fee-125.00;Buffalo Ridge Resort-employee Christmas party-768.06;Cash-Wa Dist-monthly invoice-1,093.45;Chesterman-pop-487.40;City of Gary-water,sewer,garbage-175.89;Culligan-monthly rental-27.50;EFTPS/941 Tax-FWT-601.44,OASI-1,334.58;Ellwein Bros.-beer-7,431.20;Eric Lanners-2.3 @ 8.07-18.56;First Bank & Trust-supplies/credit card-130.65;Gary Post Office-stamps-30.00;Gate City General-food/supplies-125.38;Harry's Pizza-pizza-927.00;Henry's Foods-tobacco,food,supplies-1,225.81;ITC-phone,DSL,internet-247.05;Johnson Bros-liquor-1,225.59;Nikki Giese-8.1 @ 8.07-65.37;Office Peeps-supplies-56.37;Old Dutch Foods-chips-75.92;Ottetail-electricity-615.43;Porter Dist. Co-beer,wine/coolers-612.40;Republic National Dist.-liquor-170.85;Robin Lanners-cell phone-25.00;SD Retirement-January contribution-1,119.12;SD Dept of Revenue-liquor sales tax-2,511.06;Southern Glazer's-liquor-311.70;Star Laundry-rugs,towels-174.20;Wellmark BCBS-February premium-4,511.28.

Motion by Engesser, second by Nosbush to approve the verified claims and issue warrants in payment thereof. All members voted aye; motion carried. Employee contributions, committee reports, and ward reports were heard. No one presented any public input.

Information regarding the decibel level of the siren located on the brick Historical building on Coteau Street was given to the council. Jackie Paulsen, employee of American Financial Partners was present and suggested a compromise to not have the siren sound at noon, as it disrupts their business that is located adjacent to the siren. Other comments were heard from the public, there was opposition and agreement. Motion by Bekaert, second by Nelson to leave the siren as is, sounding Monday through Saturday at 12 pm & 6 pm. Bekaert, Stee, Nelson, Nordseth voting aye; Nosbush, Engesser voting no. Motion carried.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Stee to approve the 2022 year-end transfers to the General Fund from Video Lottery Fund- \$125,119.57 and from the Liquor Fund- \$175,000.00. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Melvin & Tawne Pieper representing the Gary Rodeo spoke to the council about their plans of organizing the Rodeo again this year on June 30 & July 1. Motion by Stee, second by Nelson to buy advertisement for the City of Gary and Gary Liquor Store. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Bekaert to approve a special temporary malt beverage license for the Gary Rodeo, LLC: June 30 & July 1, Lot 1, Lewis Addition in E ½, SE ¼, Less Lot 3A of Lots 1 & Outlot 14 in 4-115-47, City of Gary, Deuel County, SD. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Gary Givers were present to talk about organizing a street dance on July 1, 2023. Motion by Engesser, second by Stee to pay half the cost of the band at \$3,000. All members voted aye; motion carried.

The playground equipment has been delivered, having the company do the complete installation or gathering volunteers to do the work was discussed with the council. After much information was given a motion by Bekaert, second by Nordseth to have the company to do the complete installation. All members voted aye; motion carried.

The Gary Bar is sponsoring a softball tournament in Gary on May 13, 2023. Council was asked if the city will prep the fields by replacing the bases and pay \$575 for the umpire. Motion by Nosbush, second by Stee to replace the bases, order agri lime for both fields and pay for the umps. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Bekaert, second by Engesser to release the appropriated 2023 funds of \$15,000.00 to the Gary Fire Department to make the payment on the 2001 Ford F550 truck.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Bekaert to approve the 2023 Gary Volunteer Fire Dept roster and carry workman's comp insurance on those 24 members. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Engesser, second by Stee to approve a special temporary liquor license for the American Legion Ballroom on Feb 19, 2023 & March 11, 18, 19, 2023 at E 24' of Lot 11 and all of Lots 12, 13, 14 in Block 1, Original Plat, City of Gary, SD. On sale only. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Jason gave the council information on the 2019 John Deere x754 trade in value. Motion by Engesser, second by Bekaert to trade in that lawn mower and upgrade to another John Deere x754, 60" deck. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Engesser to approve Jason attending the MSHA annual refresher and safety training presented by SDPAA in Brookings on Feb 28 & March 1. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Gary Residents and local area residents are fortunate to have a cardboard trailer left in the city free of charge for our use. When the door gets left open cardboard is often found blowing around. Please be courteous and shut the door after each use to eliminate this issue.

Jason brought up having South Dakota Rural Water Association come in this summer and exercise the water main shut off valves.

Motion by Bekeart, second by Engesser to go into executive session for personnel at 7:29 pm. All members voted aye; motion carried. Mayor declared council out of executive session at 7:46 pm.

Motion by Stee, second by Engesser to add policies 5.5.1 Compensatory Time, 7.10.2 Work on a Holiday, 7.10.3 Additional Pay for Liquor Store Employees, 6.8 Clothing Allowance to the personnel policy handbook and remove 7.10.1 Paid Holiday on a Regular Day Off. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Next regular council meeting will be Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Gary City Hall.

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