City of Gary, South Dakota Special Meeting- Public Hearing Tuesday November 28, 2023 at 5:30 pm at Gary Fire Hall

The Gary City Council met on Tuesday November 28, 2023 at 5:30 pm at the Fire Hall for a public hearing. Mayor Stoks called the meeting to order. Aldermen Albert Bekaert, Mike Nosbush, Bob Stee, Doug Nelson, and Darwyn Engesser were present. Jay Grabow was absent. Also present were Joni Kjelden, Jason Anderson, Jordan Allbee, Brandon Smid, Alex Kahnke, Helen Stoks, Corey & Sara Stoks, Carol Barger, Carol Stebor, Jerry Tongen, Maita Mueller.

The pledge of allegiance was said.

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

A public hearing was held to inform residents of a Wastewater Improvement Project. The city is applying for financial assistance from the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources. Jordan Allbee and Brandon Smid from Helms & Associates Engineering firm were there to give a review from the sanitary sewer study done this summer. Alex Kahnke with First District explained the application process. The deadline to apply is January 1, 2024. After the SD Board reviews applications, they will offer a package to the city that will include proposed increased sewer rates for all accounts. At that time the city has the right to accept or reject the offer. Jordan, Brandon & Alex were available for questions after their presentations.

Motion by Nosbush, second by Nelson to approve the following resolution;

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-08

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMITTAL OF THE APPLICATION, AND DESIGNATING AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO CERTIFY AND SIGN PAYMENT REQUESTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Gary (the "City") has determined it is necessary to proceed with improvements to its Wastewater System, including but not limited to the replacement of existing Vitrified Clay Pipe (VCP) sanitary sewer mains with new PVC or Cast In Place Pipe (CIPP) sewer mains, manhole replacement, the rehabilitation of the lateral service lines, and associated street and surface repairs due to the work, etc. (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that financial assistance will be necessary to undertake the Project and an application for financial assistance to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources (the "Board") will be prepared; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to designate an authorized representative to execute and submit the Application on behalf of the City and to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City as follows:

1. The City hereby approves the submission of an Application for financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$4,154,033 to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources for the Project.

2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Application and submit it to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources, and to execute and deliver such other documents and perform all acts necessary to effectuate the Application for financial assistance.

3. The Mayor is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the City to do all things on its behalf to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project.

Adopted at Gary, South Dakota, this 28th day of November 2023.

APPROVED:

Mayor City of Gary

(Seal) Attest:

City Finance Officer

All voting aye; motion carried.

Next regular meeting is Monday December 4, 2023 at 6:30 pm at Gary City Hall. Motion by Bekaert, second by Engesser to adjourn. All voting aye; motion carried.

City Council, City of Gary Joni Kjelden, Finance Officer Published December 6, 2023 Published once at an approximate cost of \$