City Board Minutes

The Humboldt City Board met in regular session on Monday, June 6th, 2011. The meeting was moved to the Humboldt Community Center due to the Air Conditioning being under repair. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ritchy Griepp at 7:00. Trustees present were Allen Schmeichel, Theresa Muth and Dawn Hahn. Matt Sieverding is on active duty in Pierre. Others present were Don Boll, Kira Schmeichel and Tom Grimmond from Dougherty and Co.

The minutes of the May 23rd, 2011 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Muth and seconded by Griepp to approve the minutes. Roll call was held. The motion carried with all present voting yes.

Open discussion was held. Second Chance Rescue sent out a letter stating that they would no longer be providing Animal Control for the City of Humboldt. Other options for service will be investigated.

The Ball Diamond project was discussed. The engineer has not gotten a plan or quote completed for the project to date. The Summer Ball Committee will be meeting on Thursday this week and should receive the quote and plans from the engineer. John Jarding would also like to plant it if the project will not start till fall.

The backboard on diamond “D” has been completed.

Tom Grimmond was present to discuss the Natural Gas Bond refunding. Because the amount of the bond refunding will be less than the original amount, the Natural Gas Reserve fund will need to be reduced so it does not exceed 10% of the new refunding amount. A motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Schmeichel to approve the downsizing of the Natural Gas Reserve Fund by $15,500.00. Roll call was held. The motion carried with all present voting yes.

The contract for the 6th Avenue Street Project Engineering was submitted for approval. The cost of the Engineering Design and Bidding will be $18,000.00 and the Construction will be $13,000.00. The number of days for the engineering was discussed. A motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Muth to approve the agreement with the negotiated reduction in the engineering time frame. Roll call was held. The motion carried with all present voting yes.

There is an individual who would like to have a fireworks stand in Humboldt. He needs a building large enough for the large inventory. He suggested the Community Center. The board did not feel that was a good plan. They suggested giving him the number to the contact for the Midwest Sales Building.

Salary actions and sick time were discussed. In January the board indicated that salaries would be reviewed in June. Chairman Griepp called the meeting into executive session according to SDCL 25-1-2 at 7:40 p.m. to discuss salary actions and sick time.

Chairman Griepp reconvened the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

A motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Hahn to table the PTO until Budget time. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Schmeichel to approve paying Don Boll his accumulation sick time 50% now in a lump sum at the rate of pay he made in the year it was accumulated and the other 50% in monthly installment at the rate of pay he earned in the year it was accumulated for a 12 month period in 2012. Roll call was held. The motion carried with all present voting yes.

A motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Muth to increase the Assistant Finance Officer’s wage from $10.50 to $10.80. Roll call was held. The motion failed with Griepp and Muth voting yes, Schmeichel abstaining and Hahn voting no.

Due to computer issues, the payroll, financials and bills were not available. The board will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 13th, 2011 to review the bills, financials and payroll.

With no further business, a motion was made by Griepp and seconded by Muth to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion carried.

ATTEST: KRISTIE ELLIS

 FINANCE OFFICER