Official Minutes For

Avon, South Dakota – March 4, 2019

A regular meeting of the Avon City Council was held on the above date at the Avon City Building at 7:00 PM. The roll call was taken. Present were Mayor Gill, Alderperson Berndt, Alderperson Dodge, Alderperson Jonkers, Alderperson Petrik, and Finance Officer Simmons. Also were present Eric Ambroson, Jack Brodeen, Kevin Eben, Don Kocmich, and Al Kocmich.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gill at 7:00 P.M.

All stood and said the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment: Aflac – employee supplemental insurance – $ 619.84, Ambill – ambulance billing - $ 35.00, Avon Clarion – ads - $ 1,112.67, Avon Lumber – miscellaneous - $ 15.15, Avon Postmaster – P.O. Box - $ 64.00, Avon Public Library – books and supplies - $ 195.84, BCM Repair – dump truck - $ 863.03, Best Propane – shop fuel - $ 468.00, Boundtree – ambulance supplies - $ 426.89, BY Water – bulk water - $ 5,813.70, Dennis Dodge – reimbursement - $ 150.00, Farmer’s Coop – supplies - $ 661.30, Galls – police supplies - $ 12.99, Goldenwest – telephone and internet service - $ 355.57, Great American Business Products – supplies - $ 171.26, Health Pool of SD – employee insurance - $ 1,346.84, IRS – payroll taxes - $ 2,538.38, Myers Sanitation - garbage pickup - $ 3,937.00, Northwestern Energy – utilities – $ 1,620.82, Petty Cash – reimbursement - $ 63.36, Powers Furniture – chairs - $ 400.00, Ron’s Market – supplies - $ 46.42, SD Dept. of Revenue – garbage tax - $ 252.07, SD Rural Water Systems – memberships - $ 250.00, SD Retirement System – retirement - $ 1,310.20, Swier Law Firm – legal services - $ 225.00, Tyndall Ace Hardware – supplies - $ 17.15, Verizon – utilities - $ 182.73, Wagner Building Supply – city building - $ 341.87, payroll for the Mayor and City Council - $ 500.00, payroll for the Finance Office – $ 2,239.14, payroll for the Police – $ 3,299.13, payroll for the Library – $ 720.07, and payroll for the Public Works – $ 4,096.47. Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to pay the foregoing claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented: Water receipts – $ 8,108.98, Sewer receipts – $ 3,695.00, Garbage receipts – $ 5,489.00, Garbage Tax fees - $ 491.15, Late Fees - $ 361.00, Ambulance - $ 3,130.19, State Sales Tax - $ 8,691.77, State Sales Tax (second penny) - $ 8,691.77, Current Year Property Taxes – $ 10,514.31, Prior Years - $ 196.95, Penalties and Interest - $ 4.93, Mobile Home Tax - $ 399.64, and MV License Taxes – $ 1,321.83. Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Petrik to approve the receipts. Motion carried.

Alderperson Berndt reported that the library is scheduled to have a library board meeting on March 13th.

Alderperson Dodge had nothing to report.

Alderperson Jonkers reported that the recreation board met last week and made their decisions about the summer employees. One of the items that they agreed upon is that the swim team needs three people this year to help with practices and the young people. They also would like for Kacie to have an assistant to help her with the swimming lessons. She added that Al needs to put the fence back up at the baseball field before the street work commences this spring/summer.

Alderperson Petrik had nothing to report.

Eric Ambroson, from District III, discussed the Governor’s Block Grant that we would like to apply for to help with the Main Street Project. According to the last census, we do not have enough people at the poverty line or below. We have to have 51% of the households in Avon fall beneath this. He gave FO Simmons the paperwork. Motion made by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to approve doing the survey. Motion carried.

Chief DeJong would like to go to the annual Sherriff’s Association meeting in Deadwood. Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to approve. Motion carried.

They mayor revisited the subject of a radar speed sign by the school. He would like a permanent solar sign put up. He instructed FO Simmons to call up the DOT in Pierre and see if this would be covered when they do their sign work this summer.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to approve the beer license for The Tee Box. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to approve putting the asphalt bidding process in the paper. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to replace our current 60 day waiting period to be insured for a new employee to a 0-wait time. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers for FO Simmons to attend a meeting in Pierre regarding the upkeep and future of small water systems. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to have the paychecks dispensed to the employees as soon as they are ready instead of waiting until the 1st. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Petrik to approve the purchase of two implements from the Federal Surplus in Huron. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to purchase a used dump truck box to replace the one on the oldest truck. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to sell the pistol used by Donnie Mudder, while he was a policeman for the city, to him for $ 1.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers not to do any chip sealing this year due to the big street project that is already planned. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Dodge for the city of keep the concession stand at the pool. Motion carried.

The council went into Executive Session at 8:20 PM and came out at 8:26 PM. Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to approve all the decisions made in session.

Summer Employees:

Lifeguards:

Samantha Brodeen 9.00/hour

Madisyn Cameron 9.50/hour

Allyson Hamilton (part time) 9.25/hour

Madalyn Kocmich 9.25/hour

Reece Loewe 9.00/hour

Kacie Mudder (part time) 10.25/hour

Tiffany Pelton 9.00/hour

Alexa Sees (part time) 9.25/hour

Swim Lessons:

Kacie Mudder 10.25/hour

An assistant to help her

Swim Team:

Becky Haenfler 600.00

Madisyn Cameron 700.00

A third person to help them

Pool Management:

Eryn Schryvers (manager) 9.50/hour

Tori Schryvers (assistant manager) 9.00/hour

Shop/Spraying:

Kacie Mudder 10.25/hour

Softball:

Lauren Sees (8 & under) (10 & under) 650.00/650.00

Joe Sees (14 & under) 800.00

Breana Kotab (18 & under, if we have one) 600.00

Baseball:

Travis Tjeerdsma (WeePee) (PeeWee) 800.00/800.00

Matt Eggers (Midget) 700.00

Ball Concessions:

Madisyn Cameron 50.00 rent

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 1st.

Motion to adjourn by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Dodge. Motion carried.

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Keith Gill

Mayor

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Twyla Simmons

City Finance Officer

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