Official Minutes For

Avon, South Dakota – June 3, 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 Lori Cihak, Allen Kocmich, Twila Lukkes, Jennifer Swatek, and Johnny Swatek.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gill at 7:02 P.M.

All stood and said the pledge to the flag.

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

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

The following claims were presented for payment: Aflac – employee supplemental insurance – $ 619.84, Ambill Associates – ambulance billing - $ 140.00, Avera Occupational Medicine – CDL testing - $ 69.95, Avon Lumber – miscellaneous - $ 363.76, Avon Public Library – books and supplies - $ 195.84, Barco – supplies - $ 195.22, BCM Repair – truck repairs - $ 2,041.41, Bob’s Candy – supplies - $ 131.25, Bon Homme County Auditor – county patrol - $ 6,240.00, Brosz Engineering – services - $ 32,542.50, BY Water – bulk water - $ 6,244.60, Cahoy’s Service – repairs - $ 131.25, DSG – supplies - $ 1,122.10, Dean DeJong – travel reimbursement - $ 380.88, Goldenwest – telephone and internet service - $ 401.12, Harve’s Sport Shop – supplies - $ 83.98, Hawkins – supplies - $ 3,906.34, Health Pool of SD – employee insurance - $ 4,050.98, IRS – payroll taxes - $ 2,806.50, Luke Backhoe – trenching - $ 895.05, Myers’ Sanitation - garbage pickup - $ 3,922.50, Napa – shop supplies - $ 25.98, Northwestern Energy – utilities – $ 1,411.14, Ron’s Market – supplies - $ 91.88, Schultz Redi Mix – supplies 0 $ 216.00, SD Dept. of Revenue – garbage tax - $ 251.14, SD Public Health Lab – water testing fees - $ 15.00, SD Retirement System – retirement - $ 1,503.80, Tyndall Ace – misc supplies - $ 135.69, Unemployment Division – insurance - $ 181.55, Verizon – cell phones - $ 254.25, payroll for the Mayor and City Council - $ 500.00, payroll for the Finance Office – $ 2,657.73, payroll for the Police – $ 3,167.50, payroll for the Library – $ 810.89, payroll for the Public Works – $ 5,650.75, and payroll for the ambulance - $ 688.19. Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to pay the foregoing claims. Motion carried.

The following receipts were presented: Water receipts – $ 9,735.49, Sewer receipts – $ 6,099.35, Garbage receipts – $ 7,551.51, Garbage Tax fees - $ 716.42, Late Fees - $ 420.82, Ambulance - $ 3,895.49, Dog Tags - $ 40.00, Alcohol Reversion - $ 920.59, Alcohol License Fee - $ 300.00, BB/SB fees - $ 570.00, Bridge Tax - $ 5,314.17, State Sales Tax - $ 2,693.55, State Sales Tax (second penny) - $ 2,693.55, Current Year Property Taxes – $ 91,319.92, County Road Taxes - $ 1,438.11, Mobile Home Tax - $ 1,342.38, MV License Taxes – $ 299.25, State Payments In Lieu Of Taxes - $ 721.77, Special Assessments - $ 3,016.68. Motion by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Petrik to approve the receipts. Motion carried.

Alderperson Berndt reported that the library had 45 people come in for their first Summer Reading Program session.

Alderperson Dodge had nothing to report.

Alderperson Jonkers reported that the new score board is up and running. She said that the certified umpires make quite a bit more than $ 20.00 a game and asked the rest of the council if they thought that we should raise the amount. The other council members felt that it should remain the same. Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Dodge for the amount to remain the same. Motion approved. She also reported that the pool opened today with good numbers. She brought up the fact that we may need to put a drain tile on the big field this fall.

Alderperson Petrik asked Al if we were going to start on Second Street this Monday. He told him that was the plan.

Lori Cihak discussed Howard Elliott’s property and wanted to know the status. Alderperson Petrik recommended asking the Junk Man from Nebraska to come up and take the stuff directly from Howard’s yard. That way the city would not have to charge him $ 100.00 per hour to clean it up. That avenue will be pursued.

The mayor said that Joe is planning to spray for mosquito’s tomorrow night. He said that the police SUV was at Tyndall motors because of a serious knocking in the engine.

FO Simmons reported that Eric Nellis, the owner of the DeLong property, has been served by the deputies and we are waiting for the outcome.

A discussion ensued about Mike Boyle’s property on Kurtz Street. Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to clean the ditch south of the railroad tracks to help the drainage. Motion carried.

Only one bid was submitted for the building formerly known as the Senior Citizen Building. Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to approve the sale to Johnny Swatek for $ 153.33. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Dodge to sign the annual agreement for Planning District III. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to sign the Community Access Grant Contract. (It finally arrived from the state.) Motion carried.

Motion to put the DENR loan surcharges into effect by Alderperson Berndt and seconded by Alderperson Dodge. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Petrik to move ahead with the curb and gutter plans for this year. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Dodge and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to table the issue of the pool slide until questions have been resolved. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson Jonkers and seconded by Alderperson Berndt to go into Executive Session. Motion carried.

Alderperson Berndt had to leave at 8:15 to go to work.

The Executive Session ended at 8: 20. Motion by Alderperson Petrik and seconded by Alderperson Jonkers to leave the section of the handbook regarding loss of vacation hours the same but add a section on the minimum length of time given to an employee for having to come out during off hours. Motion carried.

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

Motion to adjourn by Alderperson Jonkers 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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