APPROVED CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS 04-03-2023

The Onida City Council met on Monday, April 3rd, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Office with President Jane Pitlick presiding. Present at Roll Call: Brooke Jacquot, Clark Jordre, Jessica Olivier, and Caleb Shepherd. Mayor Gruis was present telephonically. Also present: Bill Stahl, Tim Gruis, Sheila Ring, Adam Sitzman and Kent Mauck.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pitlick opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jacquot to approve the minutes from the March 6th and 21st, 2023 City Council meetings. All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Mosiman.

ARRIVAL: Mosiman entered the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

REPORTS: Gruis reported that he and Shepherd had gone to check on a skid steer. The machine is mid-sized and came with new tires, a bucket, and forks. Both men thought that this was a great purchase for the price and would work well for the cleaning up of gopher gulch and working in the parks. It was brought home on Thursday, part of the equipment purchases targeted with the monies reallocated as of the March 2023 City Council meeting. There are a few more accessories that they would like to purchase, a grapple, brush mower, and plane. With the additions of these three items we would be able to surplus more of our older equipment thus enabling us to make one more purchase, that being a side by side with thoughts that this would be a great addition to the city especially for spraying purposes. All in at this time, our equipment purchases come to a total of \$193,150. Motion by Shepherd, seconded by Jordre to approve the purchases of the three additional attachments. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. With the purchase of the skid steer, Shepherd and Gruis have decided that the city would be able to remove snow from the first 2 blocks of Main Streets sidewalks as well.

Shepherd has also been contacted by Mark Barber inquiring as to whether the city would be needing help in removal of all the snow that is once again in the forecast. Mr. Barber stated that he would be able to help the city with snow removal at a cost of \$75.00 per hour which council thought was a great price.

Sherriff Dept.: Stahl's comments were all geared towards snow removal and the great job that the guys had been doing, reporting that there have been few problems with vehicles parked on the snow routes. He also thanked Gruis for the great job they have been doing with the removal of the snow enabling him to get out and help others that have been stranded on the highway.

Fire Department: Shepherd reporting again on the telemedicine that the department has been using for all of the ambulance calls stating that this is an awesome addition.

ELECTION UPDATE: Council determined that the date for canvasing the April 11th, 2023 election shall be April 12th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the city office.

SULLY COUNTY BUDGET REQUEST: Hiller presented council with a request to Sully County for their continued support of our recreation programs. Motion by Olivier seconded by Jacquot to request \$20,000 for the year 2024. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

LANDFILL HOURS: Hiller was asked about the possibility of adding another opened night for the local landfill. General consensus being that we worked hard at last years budget process to cut down on the dollars spent in this department. All agreed that the additional hours were not needed.

GARBAGE COLLECTION BID OPENING: Two bids were received for the three- year garbage collection contract. Heartland Waste Management, Inc. and River Bottom Sanitation Inc were the bidders.

Vendor	Residential	Commercial Tote		2 yd	3 yd	4 yd	6 yd	8 yd
Heartland	\$18.00		\$35.00	\$70.00	\$105.00	\$140.00	\$210.00	\$280.0
River Bottom	\$14.00		\$14.00	\$45.00	na	\$95.00	na	na

EXTRA	
SERVICE:	
Heartland:	Outside users will be evaluated before any decisions are made

River Bottom: \$700.00 monthly charge for the 2nd pick up of the 4 large dumpsters next to the city shop.

Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jordre to accept River Bottoms bid. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Council discussed with Adam Sitzman of River Bottom our desire to limit the number of times that River Bottom needs to go up and down alleys in town. Council would like to see a onetime only trip down the alleys instead of River Bottom needing to go down each alley twice as it is too hard on the alleys especially during the wet, muddy times. Adam will work with the city to determine the routes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jacquot to go into Executive Session in accordance to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 7:13 p.m. All ayes Motion carried. Motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:24 p.m. by Jordre seconded by Mosiman. All ayes. Motion carried.

POOL 2023: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Olivier to hire the following returning lifeguards from 2022 with a .75 cent per hour wage increase. Payge Bakker, Saige Heath, Adrian Gruis, and Sheridan Voorhees. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. New applicants for 2023 will have interviews set up for the May 1st, 2023 city council meeting.

MAINTENANCE HIRE: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jordre to hire Bruce Carpenter at \$15.00 per hour on an as needed basis. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: Finance 2355.75, Streets 7117.57, Water 1612.49, Electric 1646.61, Sewer 679.17, Garbage 2018.81, Parks 316.92, Council 2000.00. OTHER: Sully County Treasurer law enforcement 5765.92, Lamb's Discount 415.32, S. D. Treasurer taxes 5306.92, Mid-Dakota Rural Water supplier 9461.75, Post Office 257.28, Venture Communications 377.89, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance 4524.60, Oahe Electric supplier 56121.50, Oahe Electric repairs and dues 1849.87, South Dakota Retirement System contributions 2028.22, E.F.T.P.S taxes 5015.20, BankWest fees and supplies 115.78, Sovell Oil fuel 2242.32, Stewart and Daughters fuel 2349.15, Marco copier contract 205.46, Public Health Lab testing 15.00, CNA Surety bond 525.00, AFLAC insurance 1322.43, Clark Power Sports rent 194.68, River Bottom Sanitation 9983.60, McLeods supplies 52.27, One Call locating 1.05, Helms and Asso airport 4527.84, Office Of child support 628.00, Riter Rogers retainer 70.00, Crazy B's supplies 30.00, Wesco supplies 1035.60, MDU utilities 32.23, Titan Machinery supplies 99.74, US Bank loans 71101.28, Dakota Sales skid steer 45650.00, Wade Hiller Phoenix Center repairs 3883.67, Red Cross supplies 200.00, SDAMA dues 25.00, SDGFOA dues 40.00, SDMSMA dues 35.00, Jane Pitlick airport 254.50, SDML workers comp 3387.00, JPM Sales bucket 2200.00, SD Unemployment contributions 288.71. Motion made by Olivier seconded by Mosiman to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion was made by Mosiman seconded by Shepherd to adjourn 7:46 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jane Pitlick, President	Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer
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