

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
12/27/2023

The Onida City Council met on Wednesday, December 27th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Office with Mayor LaJena Gruis presiding. Present at Roll Call: Casey Clark, Brooke Jacquot, Clark Jordre, Marla Mosiman, and Jessica Olivier. Also Present: Tim Gruis, Jeff Millage, Dustin Volker, Jennifer Falkenhagen, Emily Sovell, and Casey Hight.

EMPLOYEE APPRAISALS: The meeting was started with the annual employee appraisals.

LIQUOR LICENSE: Jennifer Falkenhagen was present to discuss the Rustic Emerald's liquor licenses. Council member Clark telling Falkenhagen that the Council is concerned about the lack of monies coming in from the non-use of these licenses and could they be better used at the local restaurant in town? South Dakota Codified Law states that liquor licenses must be used for at least 60 days within a two-year period. Falkenhagen has had these licenses for approximately a year and a half without any use. Falkenhagen stated that her plans are to get her business up and running in May of 2024 which would give her enough time to put the licenses to use within the 60-day time frame. Motion by Mosiman seconded by Jacquot to approve the license request. Roll Call: Ayes: Clark, Jacquot, Mosiman and Olivier. Abstain: Jordre. Absent: Shepherd. Motion carried.

AIRPORT: Council was presented with information concerning the next project at the Onida airport which will be an AWOS weather system. Following discussion on the project's funding, which is funded with government grants and the airport fund itself, motion to approve by Olivier seconded by Mosiman. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Shepherd.

SICK LEAVE: Hiller informed council that Tim Jost will have used all his time off, vacation, comp, and sick leave, with his next pay check. Jost has been on medical leave since November 13th and expects to be back around the third week of January. Hiller presented a document in which employees who have reached cap for their sick leave will roll the extra hours into a catastrophic illness bank which has 174.5 hours in it that Jost and Hiller have contributed to. Hiller stated that she has plenty of sick leave built up and felt comfortable with council giving Jost hours out of the bank. Motion by Jaquot seconded by Jordre to allow Jost 80 hours out of the bank. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Shepherd.

ORDINANCE 2024-01: The first read was conducted on Ordinance 2024-01 which is in regards to removal of any items from the local landfill and/or any city dumpsters with fines attached. The second read will be held during the January 2nd, 2024 City council meeting. Motion to approve by Olivier seconded by Jaquot. All ayes. Motion carried.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: SALARIES: Finance 2708.60, Streets 11985.97, Water 3471.20, Electric 3550.25, Sewer 2180.07, Garbage 2545.26, Pool 21.54, Council 2253.03, Parks 113.37. OTHER: SD Retirement contributions 2456.22, EFTPS taxes 5898.92, Venture Communications 474.62, Wellmark B/C B/S health insurance 5155.66, Oahe Electric supplier 60758.64, Stewart and Daughters fuel 2130.29, BankWest fee and supplies 447.47, Helms and Asso. airport 1263.13, AFLAC insurance 763.78, Office of Child support 250.00, Public Health Lab testing 15.00, Equipment Blades repairs 5436.46, Dustin Volker travel 188.70 MDU supplier 17.05, Envirotech recycle 680.06, Morris airport 257587.31, Mean ad Hunt airport 5000.00, Riteway supplies 285.45, Runnings 758.59, titan Machinery

repairs 772.69. Motion made by Mosiman seconded by Olivier to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Shepherd.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion made by Clark seconded by Jacquot to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

LaJena R. Gruis, Mayor

Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer

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