

CITY HALL, CITY OF ARLINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

April 1, 2019

The City Council met as the Zoning Commission. There was no business. Meeting adjourned.

The City Council met in regular session in the Municipal Building. Present on Roll Call were Mayor Amiel Redfish and Council Members: Curt Lundquist, Terry Rowbotham, Garth Johnson, Jesse Steffensen, Rob Achterberg and Cory Falconer. Absent: None.

Motion was made by Lundquist, seconded by Falconer to approve the minutes of the March 4th & 18th meetings. All in favor—Carried.

Bills on file were submitted for consideration and on Motion by Johnson, seconded by Achterberg, the Finance Officer was instructed to issue payment for same. All in favor on Roll Call Vote—Carried.

Bills approved as follows:

27263	Prairie Ag Partners	Fuel		2720.00
27264-27271	Salaries	General Fund	101	7756.33
		Water	602	915.87
		Electric	603	2576.68
		Sewer	604	325.42
27272	Birch Communications	Phone Chges		252.64
Auto Debit	Citizens State Bank	EFTPS—Mar 15 th WH-SS-Medicare		4206.03
27273	East River Electric Power Coop	Energy		4041.82
27274	Electric Fund	City utility bills		4458.94
27275	Heartland Consumer Power Dist	Energy		42920.68
27276	Kingsbury County Auditor	County Law Enforcement Contract		5655.00
27277	Mediacom LLC	Internet		234.20
27278	Prairie Ag Partners	Fuel		2950.00
27279	SD Municipal League	District 2 Registration		182.00
27280	SD State Treasurer	Sales Tax		6979.95
27281	Western Area Power Adm	Energy		15771.12

27282-27303	Salaries	General Fund	101	10501.74
		Water	602	780.58
		Electric	603	2484.51
		Sewer	604	1237.15
27304	AFLAC	Payroll Deductions		281.23
Auto Debit	Citizens State Bank	EFTPS—Mar 29 th WH-SS-Medicare		4984.36
27305	Division of Motor Vehicles	Title/License reassignment—ambulance		15.00
27306	Northwestern	Service to Shop & Coop Shop Bldgs		776.55
27307	PLIC-SBD Grand Island	Short Term Disability		191.04
27308	SD Retirement System	March Retirement		3316.04
27309	Sioux Valley Energy	Electricity @ Airport		50.00
27310	SD Supp Retirement	Supp Retirement/Steve		250.00
27311	The Health Pool of SD	April Health Insurance Premiums		4436.16
27312	Visa/Cor Trust	Meter reading app		7.44
27313	Amazon Credit Plan	Books/Library		71.91
27314	A-Ox Welding Supply Co	Cylinder Rent		91.26
27315	Arlington Sun	Publications		238.14
27316	Badger Oil Inc	Repairs/labor—water tower		209.10
27317	Bangor Township	Blading & snow removal—2018		250.00
27318	Bobcat of Brookings	Filter/oil/fuel cap/hyd oil/cutting edges/hardware/ poly skid kit		860.22
27319	Citizens State Bank	April Service Chge		20.00
27320	Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling	February garbage		4981.74
27321	Core & Main	Hydrant & repair kit		2404.24
27322	Dept of Revenue	Water testing		15.00
27323	Electric Fund	Meter deposits app to RO bills		384.43
27324	Elite Drain & Sewer	Attempted to jet frozen water line		382.75

27325	Ben Elliott	2018 Annual Report Preparation	1000.00
27326	Golden West Industrial Supply	Battery operated LED flares—Fire Dept	351.33
27327	Graybar Electric Company	Fuses	142.10
27328	Infotech Solutions LLC	Monthly maintenance/backup/hosting	568.00
27329	Kingbrook Rural Water System	March Water & Lease	8493.93
27330	Larsen Overhead Door	Garage door transmitters	138.98
27331	Maynards Food Center	Ice melt/cleaning supplies/meeting expense	89.24
27332	Nelson Drug Inc	Epipens/supplies/tape/marker	688.50
27333	Office Peeps Inc	Service agreement-copier/copy paper	93.10
27334	PCC Ambulance Billing Service	Ambulance billings February 2019	311.30
27335	Petty Cash	Postage	35.73
27336	Pipe Masters	Jetted sewer line main—Cherry Street	715.50
27337	Prairie Ag Partners	Auto supplies/def fluid/tube/tire repair/oil/filters/ washer fluid/propane/tire/fuel additive/hyd hose/ welding supplies	885.53
27338	R & L Carriers	Freight charges	97.65
27339	Amiel Redfish	Personal auto use—Feb & March	102.08
27340	Runnings Supply Inc	Clothing allowances	205.97
27341	Schein Inc	Stethoscope/super sani-cloths/convenience bags/ stretcher sheets/Stat-Padz electrode pads	255.06
27342	SDML Worker's Comp Fund	2018 WC Audit Premium	1291.00
27343	Stryker Sales Corp	Power Pro Ambulance Cot	18729.44
27344	US Post Office	Postage stamps	460.00
27345	Jesse Vincent	Refund bal meter deposit	165.57
27346	Wesco Distribution Inc	Photo Controls/street lites	4036.80
Auto Debit	Rural Development	Water Improvement Loan	1343.00
Auto Debit	Rural Development	Wastewater Improvement Loan	2859.00

Now was the time for Public Comments: Mike Wright asked to talk to the council regarding a lot he is interested in purchasing in town. His plan is to park and live in a 5th wheel camper while he builds a small home on the lot. The council advised that they would allow him to live in a camper on site as long as he brings in a building permit application for a house to be built on the property.

Preston Singrey, a student at the Arlington Public School and a member of the elementary student council asked to make a presentation to the city council regarding the possible construction of a gaga ball court in the city park. The proposed location is the current tennis court site. It was stated that they had people who had volunteered to help with the construction. The comment was made that between the Community Foundation and the City—the funds would be found to have gaga ball in the park for our youth.

The council reviewed a building permit application which had been submitted on behalf of the American Legion Post #42 for the construction of their new building on Main Street. Motion was made by Achterberg, seconded by Falconer to approve the building permit as submitted. All in favor—Carried. There was then a discussion regarding the utilities for the site—the main remaining concern is how the runoff water from the roof will go and what is the most practical solution. Marshal will check the depth of the storm drain at the end of the alley along Highway 14.

Mark Deraney, AMKO Advisors, requested time to meet with the council to discuss the RD loans that the City currently has for water and wastewater projects. He would like permission to make a proposal to the city to refinance these loans thru their company and is estimating that they could save the city several thousands of dollars over the remaining life of the loans by doing competitive bids on the bonds. The Mayor advised that he would like to have the city attorney look over the papers before the city moves forward and he was unable to attend this meeting.

Marshal Mix gave the electrical report in which he advised the board that Matt Asmussen had left his position with the city, however; before doing so, he installed the new LED street lights on the first two blocks of Main Street.

ACDC Report—was no regular meeting last month, however; there was a special meeting when the board made the decision to sell the property on Main Street where the stage is located to a private individual. The next meeting will be held on April 9th.

Motion was made by Achterberg, seconded by Lundquist to approve the employee overtime and police report. All in favor—Carried.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Achterberg to remove Ben Gerhardt from the fire dept since he has moved out of town. All in favor—Carried.

The finance officer was instructed to contact a couple of the lifeguards from last year who had been interested in obtaining their WSI certification to see if the swimming lesson sessions were moved to the afternoon; if they would be able to get their certifications and hold lessons at those times..

Motion was made by Achterberg, seconded by Steffensen to offer the positions to work with the city crew for the summer to Trevor Larsen and Trey Ramstad @ \$10.00/Hr. All in favor with Curt Lundquist absent from the vote.

Motion was made by Rowbotham, seconded by Falconer to change the living requirements for city employees in the Personnel Policy to read that they must live within 5 miles of city limits rather than response time of 15 minutes. All in favor—Carried.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Falconer to add the following change to the Sick Leave Section of the Personnel Policy. Upon retirement, death, termination or any other reason an employee leaves employment of the City of Arlington, he/she will be paid the following: 0-5 years – 0% of all unused sick leave; 5-10 years – 25% of all unused sick leave; 10-15 years – 50% of all unused sick leave; 15-20 years – 75% of unused sick leave; over 20 years – 100% of all unused sick leave. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of four hundred eighty (480) hours. All in favor—Carried.

The council reviewed the Revenue/Expense, Cash & Utility Reports.

Jeff Symens, CEO/GM, Valley FiberCom met with the council to discuss moving forward with bringing their services into Arlington.

Ordinance #568 received the second reading and on Motion by Rowbotham, seconded by Achterberg same was approved with all Voting Aye—Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 568

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, INC., DBA VALLEY FIBERCOM, TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, REPAIR, REPLACE, RECONSTRUCT AND REMOVE A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF ARLINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA, SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF THE FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR REGULATION AND USE OF THE SYSTEM; AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS.

(FULL ORDINANCE ON FILE AT THE FINANCE OFFICE)

Mr. Symens advised that he was searching for a location to purchase in order to construct a small building to be used by their company techs when they are working in Arlington. No actual business with customers after their system is up and running will be conducted at that location.

Additional items: SD GEOD Conference—April 10th & 11th, Heartland Annual Meeting—May 9th, Spring Cleanup Day—May 9th. A special council meeting has been set up for Monday, April 15th.

Motion was made by Johnson seconded by Achterberg to enter into executive session at 9:00 P.M. for personnel matters and possible litigation. All in favor—Carried.

Motion was made by Achterberg, seconded by Falconer to come out of executive session at 9:35 P.M. All in favor—Carried. No action taken at this time.

Motion to adjourn was made by Achterberg, seconded by Steffensen. All in favor—Carried.

Sue Falconer, Finance Officer

Amiel Redfish, Mayor

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