

TOWN BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Town Board of South Shore met for their regular meeting on Tuesday January 11, 2022, at 7:00pm at the South Shore Community Center. Those present were Council Members Schmeichel and Dolen. M. Klatt attended via phone. Also present were FO Zirbel, P. Nelson, K. Nelson, S. Janssen, S. Bratager, D. Ries and S. Jackson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Dolen followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

With no conflicts on the agenda, a motion was made by Schmeichel, seconded by Klatt to approve the agenda with the addition of the water/sewer maintenance report to old business.

The financial report was given reflecting the following fund balances: General Fund \$142,987.49, Water Fund \$54,269.53, Sewer Fund \$126,877.54, Sewer Surcharge fund, \$9,690.65, Water deposits \$600, CD's \$32,701.57 Outstanding sewer loan \$189,441.69.

Warrants presented were as follows for a total of \$31,101.84:

GENERAL Codington Co Hwy. Dept, Berry signs, \$220.78; D. Ries, wages, \$86.35; Dept. of Legislative Audit, internal audit and training, \$2,625.00 Dependable Sanitation, garbage, \$185.40; EFTPS, payroll taxes, 178.33; FT&B Credit Card, office supplies/CNA Surety bond increase fee, \$135.16; Glacial Lakes Tourism, dues, \$200.00; ITC, phone and internet, \$96.25; Menards, ice melt, \$59.95; M. Zirbel, wages/travel, \$1496.82; Olson's Pest Control, pest control, \$150.00; Ottertail, streets/parks/center/garage, liquor store \$969.91; SS Gazette, publishing, \$229.39; M. Zemlicka, utility deposit refund, \$100.00.

WATER FUND EFTPS, Payroll Tax, \$23.72; C. Werner, wages, \$143.15; Ottertail, electricity, \$160.45; SD DANR, dues, \$50.00; SD Rural Water Systems, annual dues, \$360.00.

SEWER FUND SD811, locates, \$10.50; EFTPS, Payroll Tax \$23.72; Dakota Pump, lift repairs, \$14,838.73; HydroKlean, lift repairs, \$6,051.25, Ottertail, Electricity, \$132.84; C. Werner, Wages, \$143.14; USDA, Loan Payment, \$2,431.00.

A motion was made by Schmeichel, seconded by Klatt to approve the warrants for payment. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS (1) Vision 2030 although no committee members were present, M. Klatt had visited with M. Whitney about the Cenex project. Klatt/Whitney will visit with a couple different options to get a small convenience store in town. (2) Petitioning on School St for right of way update: still waiting on the surveyor. Also, some USDA funds may become available for new businesses to possibly help get a locker plant in town. (3) S. Janssen gave updates on the town website and discussed admins for it. As of right now there will be three: K. Janssen, M. O'Farrell, and M. Zirbel. Any suggestions are greatly appreciated. (4) C. Werner updated J. Dolen about a program that will help the maintenance of the wastewater in town to help with sewage. We will do a three-month trial basis and evaluate from there.

NEW BUSINESS (1) Public input:None (2) M. Zemlicka has requested the refund of the utility deposit since she has moved out of town. S. Schmeichel motioned for the approval seconded by M. Klatt. Motion carried. (3) A proposal on an infrastructure plan for the town of South Shore to legislature was discussed. M. Klatt would like to get a plan in place for South Shore to adopt an infrastructure plan to submit to be able to request funds to

help with water, sewer and other projects. (4) Old water/sewer bills were discussed by account numbers only. There is \$12,006.52 that will be written off that hasn't had a payment since 2019. That is a significant negative impact for South Shore to absorb. Will look into sending these accounts to collections. (5) An update on utility accounts with current residents was briefly discussed. Since implementing the payment plan for the past due accounts and the auto payment, the current accounts are doing great! If an account gets to be three months past due, a letter is sent.

Next regular meeting is Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00pm at the South Shore Community Center.

With no further business, Schmeichel moved, seconded by Klatt to adjourn at 7:40. Motion carried.

Jamie Dolen, President Michelle Zirbel, Finance Officer

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