

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
LEMMON, SOUTH DAKOTA
APRIL 1, 2024**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Regular Meeting of the City Council of Lemmon, South Dakota was held on Monday, April 1, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Mayor Matthew Barnes and the following City Council were present: Christine Becker, Wayne Corcoran, Pat Dalzell, and Tim Pelkofer. Absent was Gary Ericsson and Art Pederson. Employees in attendance were: Chad Abel, Annette Dalzell, Raven Christman, Dave Huber, and City Attorney Shane Penfield.

Others in attendance were: Mike Schweitzer, Bethany & William Merchen, LaQuita Shockley, Nicole Huffman, Levi Walters, Kermit Kahl, and Dacia Hilkemeier.

No conflict of interest was declared.

Corcoran moved, Becker second to approve the Agenda as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024, Regular Meeting. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Becker second to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2024, Equalization Meeting. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Mayor Barnes read the Arbor Day Proclamation declaring the City of Lemmon Arbor Day on April 26, 2024. Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to accept the proclamation as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

*Executive Proclamation
City of Lemmon
State of South Dakota*

Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

Whereas, THIS HOLIDAY, CALLED Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, produce oxygen, and

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

Whereas, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community.

Now Therefore Be It Proclaimed that the Mayor of the City of Lemmon declare April 28, 2023 as

Arbor Day

In the City of Lemmon and that citizens engage in the planting of trees in the City on this day.

I, the Mayor of the City of Lemmon, hereby set my hand on this Proclamation on the Twenty-sixth Day of April, In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-four, at the City Hall of the City of Lemmon, Perkins County, State of South Dakota.

CITY OF LEMMON

Matthew A. Barnes, Mayor of the City

ATTEST:

Chad Abel, Finance Officer

Dave Huber noted that Spring Clean-Up Week has been scheduled for May 20-25, 2024. Corcoran moved, Becker second to approve clean-up week as presented, all voting “aye”; motion carried. The landfill will have extended hours and be open every day of the week. The city crew will assist residents with pick-up on Thursday, May 23, 2024, but you must call City Hall before 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, to get on the list. **This service is geared for the elderly and those residents who do not have a means to take items to the landfill on their own. Contractors or Businesses will not be exempt from any fees.**

Pelkofer noted the Property Committee reviewed the Identity Theft Program, as well as City Attorney Penfield, which is done annually. Pelkofer moved to approve the Identity Theft Program as written with no changes. All voting “aye”; motion carried.

Perkins County has requested an abatement of taxes for the property located at 611 1st Avenue West (Lemmon's 1st Addition, Block 3, Lot 6) due to non-payment of taxes in the amount of \$4,146.92 over several years. Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to approve the

abatement of taxes as requested. All voting "aye"; motion carried. Abel noted the property has been sold.

6:05 p.m. Steve & Audrey Graves entered the meeting.

Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to approve the Storm Drainage Agreement with Prairie Hills Transit with the recommendation from the Property Committee and City Attorney Penfield. All voting "aye"; to approve the Agreement as presented.

Corcoran spoke on behalf of the Cemetery Board and recommends the hire of Dale's Mowing & Tiling to be the keeper of the cemetery for the summer of 2024. Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to approve the hire at \$20.00 per hour as contract labor, using his own equipment. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Becker reported the Park Board met and recommends the hire of summer help as presented. Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to approve the hires as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried. The summer hire is as follows:

Petrified Wood Park/Museum: Natise Sims \$13.25/hr, Haleigh Mathis \$13.25/hr, Carolyn Penfield \$13.75/hr, Keira Krebs \$13.00/hr, Joyce Dustman \$13.25/hr.

Parks Department: Toni Huber \$13.75/hr, Tevyn Lutz \$13.00/hr.

Pool: Manager-Saydee Corcoran \$14.00/hr, Belle Corcoran \$13.50/hr, Karly Riley \$13.50/hr, Chance Newsome \$13.25/hr, Brooks Foss \$13.00/hr, Madison Dauwen \$13.00/hr, Addy Wenner \$13.00/hr. (contingent upon passing certifications)

6:15 p.m. This being the time and place for the Temporary Liquor License Hearing for the Lemmon Country Club on June 8-9, 2024, at the Beeler Community Center for a special event. There being no one to speak for or against, Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to approve the license. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

This being the time and place for the Temporary Liquor License Hearing for the Lemmon Country Club on June 15-16, 2024, at the Beeler Community Center for a special event. There being no one to speak for or against, Dalzell moved, Becker second to approve the license. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

6:17 p.m. This being the time and place for the opening of Chip Seal Bids. One bid was received from Walters Trucking in the amount of \$59.10 per ton for approximately 500 tons of 3/8 inch limestone chips. Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to accept the bid as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to allow the Finance Office to re-advertise for summer help as needed. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Becker second to allow Annette Dalzell to donate 80 hours of sick leave to Rich Dalzell. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Abel spoke about the house located at 309 4th Avenue West, which the City of Lemmon owns due to tax deed. The house needs to be cleaned out before it can be torn down. After discussion, Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to allow the Finance Office to advertise for bids to have the contents removed from the house. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Becker second to allow the Finance Office to advertise for Malt Beverage License hearing on Monday, May 6, 2024, at 6:15 p.m. all voting "aye"; motion carried.

Dalzell moved, Corcoran second to set the special meeting to canvass the election results for Monday, April 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Abel reminded all, the city election in Ward 3 on Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Get out and vote.

Abel noted that KBA will be in the city office on May 8-10, 2024, to do the audit for 2023.

Abel also reminded residents that Code Enforcement, Joel Johnson will be in town sometime in April to assess properties and begin the process of getting properties cleaned up.

Public Comment-none

Corcoran moved, Becker second to approve claims as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Mayor/Council, \$1,400.00; Finance, \$6,688.34; Fire Department, \$550.00; Streets, \$12,530.57; Street Sweeper, \$69.12; Landfill, \$2,031.95; Pet Park, \$29.67; Pet Park Gift Shop, \$148.35; Gen Park, \$455.43; Pool, \$17.28; Cemetery, \$100.00; Library, \$3,232.16; Water, \$4,465.23; Sewer, \$385.71.

AFLAC, Premiums, \$184.10; Dacotah Bank, EFTPS, \$7,063.38; Dacotah Bank Visa, Supplies, \$1,576.01; Wellmark, Health insurance, \$6,388.50; Delta Dental, Premiums, \$362.10; Grand Electric, Airport, \$846.10; Montana Dakota Utilities, Electricity, \$5,633.25; Slope Electric, Lagoon, \$50.00; West River Tele. Coop, Internet, \$736.82; South Dakota Airport Conference, Airport Conference, \$400.00; South Dakota Dept Revenue, Sales Tax, \$1,207.90; South Dakota Retirement System, Retirement, \$3,420.95.

Acme, Supplies, \$188.76; B & C, Repairs, \$318.24; B&H Sanitation, LLC, Garbage contract, \$7,150.00; Boss Cowman Concert, BBB Money, \$35,000.00; Bowman Parks & Rec, Fees & Dues, \$301.00; Center Point, Books, \$46.74; Christman, Raven, Cleaning contract, \$200.00; CAN Surety, Bond, \$672.00; Dales Tilling, Repair at Cem, \$105.00;

Dakota Herald, Legals, \$358.83; Demco, Books, \$104.59; Ginther, Mike, Management fee, \$1,250.00; Huffman, Nicole, Cemetery Maps, \$77.04; KBJM, Election Ads, \$117.00; LACED, Expenses, \$4,854.22; LACED, Beeler Building, \$1,855.43; Laufer Vermeer, Supplies, \$59.81; Lemmon IGA, Supplies, \$63.15.

MVTL, Water testing, \$38.00; Mobridge Tribune, Water Distribution, \$319.00; Montana - Dakota, Electricity, \$104.04; Northwest Farm & Home Supply, Supplies/repair, \$20.98; Northwest SD Regional Landfill Assoc., Landfill fees, \$12,036.87; Perkins County Finance Office, Monthly payment, \$20,500.00; Perkins County Rural Water, Purchased water & Safety Training, \$17,767.34; Perkins County Rural Water, Safety Training 2023, \$1,000.00; Principal Financial Group, Life insurance premiums, \$206.98; Productivity Plus, Repairs, \$334.65; Runnings, Repairs, \$19.99; Rural Development, USDA Loan, \$4,431.00; SD Department of Public Safety, Driver's licenses, \$313.00; St Mary's, Graves, \$10.00; South Dakota 811, One Call Locates, \$1.05; Recreation Supply, Pool Equipment, \$4,277.15; Stocks, Repairs, \$2,082.56; SDML Work Comp, Fees & Dues, \$386.00; Southwest Grain, Propane/Fuel and Supplies, \$6,874.80; Tennant's Auto, Repairs/Supplies, \$69.30; Titan Machinery, Repairs, \$175.15; The Current Connection, Supplies, \$72.26; Uline, Ball Field equipment, \$5,109.08.

Corcoran moved, Pelkofer second to approve financials as presented. All voting "aye"; motion carried.

Committee Reports

Dalzell took a minute to introduce attendees Bethany & William Merchen and welcome them to the City of Lemmon and council meeting.

Raven Christman noted that Missoula Children's Theatre is in Lemmon this week and will hold performances on Friday at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Christman also reported that Peggy Douglas will be at the Library on April 17th presenting the life of Badger Clark.

Becker moved, Corcoran second to adjourn. Mayor Barnes declared the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

CITY OF LEMMON

MATTHEW A. BARNES, Mayor

ATTEST:

ANNETTE DALZELL, Assistant Finance Officer

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