

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
LEMMON, SOUTH DAKOTA  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Regular Meeting of the City Council of Lemmon, South Dakota was held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

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

Others in attendance were: Steve & Audrey Graves, LaQuita Shockley, Jim Straight, Roslyn Ward, Jim Eidson, Keith Mutschler, Ryan Halls, Jason Lillich, and Garrett Schweitzer.

No conflict of interest was declared.

Mayor Matt Barnes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dalzell moved, Ericsson second to approve the Agenda as presented. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Ericsson second to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2023, Regular Meeting. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Pederson moved, Corcoran second to allow the Finance Office to advertise a public hearing for a Temporary Liquor License for the R-Bar on October 2, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Tim Pelkofer, Property Committee introduced a group of men who met with the committee and are proposing a new rifle range. Pelkofer noted the committee took no official action, but were all in favor of the proposal presented by the committee. Jim Straight, District Park Manager for SD GFP, presented a proposal to the city council for a gun range to be built and maintained by the State of South Dakota. The funding sources will be the statewide Pitman-Robertson (PR) fund, Grand River Sportsman's Club, Grand River Pheasants Forever, SDGFP, as well as local donations and fund raising. The land that they would like to use as a suitable location is located on City of Lemmon property, located by the landfill, which is also under lease to an individual for farming purposes at the current time. The lease holder has been contacted and is willing to give up the lease if the project were to come to be. The earliest construction would be July 1, 2024 and more likely July 1, 2025 to fit into the grant cycle. The group is asking for backing of the City Council to get public input, environmental assessment, and secure funding, to get the project started. There was no formal action on the matter, however, it was a favorable response from the City Council.

6:15 p.m. This being the time and place to open propane bids. Dakotas' Propane submitted a firm bid price of \$1.35 per gallon or .13 (thirteen cents) below charge price. Southwest Grain submitted a bid of \$1.30 per gallon. Dalzell moved, Pelkofer second to accept the bid of \$1.30 per gallon from Southwest Grain. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Mayor Barnes read a letter of resignation from Raynell Huber from the Greenhill Cemetery Board and sexton effective September 15, 2023. Pederson moved, Dalzell second to accept the resignation and thanked Ray for his years of service. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Mayor Barnes presented Nicole Huffman as an appointment to sexton for the Greenhill Cemetery. Ericsson moved, Becker second to approve the appointment effective September 16, 2023. All voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Jason Lillich of Three Rivers Mental Health presented information to the city council on September as suicide prevention month. Lillich shared that he and his team are willing to do training for any group or organization to learn more about suicide and mental health. Lillich noted it is important to dispel the myth that by asking the question about suicide that the person will commit suicide. Community members need to ask the hard questions to loved ones, start talking about it, listening, and be direct.

Corcoran moved, Dalzell second to have the second reading of Ordinance # 2023-1, 2024 Appropriations. On a roll call vote, all voting "Aye"; motion carried.

Corcoran moved, Ericsson second to approve the second reading of Ordinance #2023-1, 2024 Appropriations. Mayor Barnes declared the Ordinance passed and duly adopted.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023 – 1  
2024 APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE**

Be it ordained by the City of Lemmon that the following sums are appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality.

410 GENERAL GOVERNMENT	GENERAL FUND
411.5 Contingency	\$75,000
412 Executive	57,263
413 Elections	2,400
414 Financial Administration	123,792
419 General Buildings	<u>29,100</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$287,555
420 PUBLIC SAFETY	
421 Police	\$296,000
422 Fire Department	<u>75,555</u>
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$371,555
430 PUBLIC WORKS	
431 Highway and Streets	\$667,362
432 Sanitation	280,734

435 Airport	<u>38,925</u>
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$987,021
440 HEALTH AND WELFARE	
441 West Nile	\$2,000
442 Hospice	1,500
443 Mental Health	<u>4,500</u>
TOTAL HEALTH AND WELFARE	\$8000
450 CULTURE AND RECREATION	
450 Petrified Park	\$48,201
451 Parks	62,880
452 Ball Parks	25,603
453 Swimming Pool	63,810
454 Golf	31,962
455 Library	<u>73,099</u>
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$305,555
460 CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT	
464 LACED Economic Development & Assistance	\$50,000
465 Chamber Economic Development & Assistance	\$ 37,066
466 Economic Opportunity	<u>50,307</u>
TOTAL CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT	\$137,373
470 DEBT SERVICE	
470 Debt Service	<u>\$104,000</u>
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$104,000
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<b>\$2,201,259.00</b>
211 BAMBLE FUNDS	
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TOTAL BAMBLE FUNDS	\$2,000
212 CEMETERY	
212 Cemetery	<u>\$12,506</u>
TOTAL CEMETERY	\$12,506
<b>ORDINANCE NO. 2023-1 2024 APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE CONTINUED</b>	
213 CITY SALES TAX – 1% BBB	<u>\$40,000</u>
465 BBB Expenditures	\$40,000
301 DEBT SERVICE	<u>\$38,320</u>
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501 CAPITAL PROJECTS	<u>\$2,100,000</u>
431 Streets	\$2,100,000
602 WATER	<u>\$492,307</u>
Water	\$492,307
604 SEWER	<u>\$30,750</u>
Sewer	\$30,750

**TOTAL 2024 APPROPRIATIONS** **\$4,917,142.00**

The following designates the funds that money derived from the following sources are applied to.

<b>410 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>
Taxes	\$1,468,450
Licenses and Permits	21,725
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,220,000
Charges for Goods and Services	37,700
Driver's Licenses	1,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	33,274
Liquor Receipts	63,650
Solid Waste	<u>\$224,750</u>
<b>TOTAL FINANCE FOR GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$4,070,549.00</b>
<b>211 BAMBLE FUNDS</b>	
211 BAMBLE	<u>\$2,000</u>
TOTAL BAMBLE FUNDS	\$2,000
<b>212 CEMETERY FUNDS</b>	
212 Cemetery	\$1,000
101 Funds transferred in	<u>11,506</u>
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS	\$12,506
<b>213 1% BBB SALES TAX</b>	
213 BBB Sales Tax	<u>\$40,000</u>
TOTAL BBB SALES TAX	\$40,000
<b>301 DEBT SERVICE FUNDS</b>	<u>\$38,321</u>
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$38,321
<b>602 WATER</b>	<u>\$564,766</u>
Water	\$564,766
<b>604 Sewer</b>	<u>\$189,000</u>
Sewer	\$189,000
<b>TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE</b>	<b>\$4,917,142.00</b>

Raven Christman informed the council of the Lemmon Library having an Artist in Communities, Starr Chief Eagle, will be performing at the Palace Theatre on September 17, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. She will also be work with the kids and beading earring classes in the evenings of September 18-20, 2023.

Mayor Barnes reminded the council of the SDML Annual Conference on October 3-6, 2023, and encouraged all to attend if possible.

## Public Comment-None

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

Mayor/Council, \$1,225.00; Finance, \$6,320.98; Fire Department, \$550.00; Streets, \$10,790.22; Street Sweeper, \$385.28; Landfill, \$2,387.44; Cemetery, \$100.00; Museum, \$2,879.94; Gift Shop, \$2,976.00; General Parks, \$3,990.85; Ball Parks, \$1,254.96; Pool, \$6,282.78; Library, \$3,351.84; Water, \$5,130.25; Sewer, \$1,157.27.

Elan VISA, Supplies & Repairs, \$388.51; Aflac, Premiums, \$363.63; Dacotah Bank, EFTPS, \$9,838.26; Grand Electric, Airport, \$218.42; Montana Dakota Utilities, Electricity, \$6,277.64; SD Revenue, Sales Tax, \$1,879.50; Delta Dental, Premiums, \$410.88; Wellmark, Insurance Premiums, \$6,841.41; Postmaster, Postage, \$224.00; Slope Electric, Electricity, \$221.55; South Dakota Retirement System, Retirement, \$3,887.34; West River Coop Telephone, Service, \$947.95.

AgPro, Supplies, \$30.48; B&H Sanitation, Garbage contract, \$6,500.00; Badger Meters, Service, \$1,200.00; Center Point LP, Books, \$249.61; Chief Eagle, Starr, Artist in Communities, \$1,798.90; Christman, Raven, Cleaning Contract, \$200.00; Dakota Herald, Legals, \$126.81; Dakota Propane, Tar Truck, \$120.00; Dale Rivinius Tilling & Mowing, Cemetery mowing, \$1,717.50; Gale/Cengage, Books, \$774.51; Ginther, Mike, Monthly management fee, \$1,178.34; Gooseneck, Repairs, \$332.34; Hammond Tire, Repairs, \$205.00; Hawkins, Pool Supplies, \$179.78; HDR, Sewer Engineers, \$10,444.25; Hydro Klean, Sewer Repair, \$7,200.00; Kimball Midwest, Street Supplies, \$596.16; KLJ, Airport Engineers, \$3,048.38.

LACED, Economic Development, \$3,372.36; LACED Beeler, Economic Development, \$1,318.81; Lemmon Country Club, 2023 Remittance, \$5,000.00; Lemmon IGA, Supplies, \$187.28; =Lemmon Nutrition Program, 2023 Remittance, \$2,500.00; Montana Dakota Utilities, Electricity, \$16.28; ND Babe Ruth Baseball, Dues, \$20.00; Northern Improvement, Tar & Chip, \$7,684.78; Northwest Farm & Home Supplies, Supplies, \$1,252.27; Northwest Pipe, Supplies, \$480.46; Northwest SD Regional Landfill Assoc., Monthly fees, \$11,460.18; Perkins County Finance Office, Law enforcement agreement, \$19,750.00; Perkins County Rural Water, Water, \$30,536.72; Principal Financial Group, Life Insurance, \$179.65; Print Shop, Supplies, \$184.05; Schumacher, Sharon, Water Refund, \$13.85; SD Dept. of Public Safety, Reimburse Driver's Licensing, \$477.00; SD Federal Property, Supplies, \$78.00; Senior Center, 2023 Remittance, \$1,500.00; Stocks, Repairs, \$2,008.23; Tennant's Auto, Repairs & Supplies, \$237.08; The Current Connection, Supplies, \$216.04; Titan Machinery, Repairs, \$225.54; United Lab, Supplies, \$867.00.

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

## Committee Reports

Corcoran noted the ThunderHawk Wide Open Bike Race had 94 registered riders and 24 of them camped in the North Park. It was a very successful event.

Ericsson reported on behalf of Lemmon Housing of changes that will be happening with HUD due to new laws that go into effect on January 1, 2024. If the law is not extended, it will displace 13 families that live in public housing. Anyone willing to help with ideas and or information need to contact Cathy Evans at Lemmon Housing.

Becker shared that the Park Board met and the summer season was a good one. The Petrified Wood Park saw 4,500 visitors and the swimming pool had a great season as well.

Dalzell reported on the Wheeler Family being awarded the SDCF Hometown Hero Award. Hats off to the Wheeler Family.

Abel shared that 100 years ago the budget was a total of \$40,000.00. Abel also shared a letter from Dacotah Bank noting the loan for the loader was "paid in full".

Abel spoke about the Hugh Glass Rendezvous and the success of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary event, thanking many who helped with the rededication of the monument.

Huber shared that the cisterns are gone and filled in. Huber also noted the huge cottonwood tree in the Petrified Wood Park was struck by lightning the previous night and will see what the damages are.

Barnes reminded all the LHS Homecoming Week festivities including a parade on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. and the Block Party/Touch a Truck event on Friday from noon to 2:00 p.m. The LHS Hall of Fame inaugural inductees will be riding in the Parade on Thursday as well.

Becker moved, Dalzell second to adjourn. Mayor Barnes declared the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

CITY OF LEMMON

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MATTHEW A. BARNES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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ANNETTE DALZELL, Assistant Finance Officer

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