

## DELL RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 15, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Fiegen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Dell Rapids City Council Chambers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll was taken finding the following members present: Chad Andrews, Keith DeLange, Vice-President Craig Lauritzen, Jim Rueckert, David Sommerfeld (via Skype), Todd Wiebenga and Mayor Scott Fiegen. Absent: Mark Downs (arrived at 7:31 p.m.), and President Carrie Testerman. Staff Present: Administrator, Justin Weiland, Finance Officer, LeAnn Kerzman, and City Attorney, Dean Hammer.

**Approval of Agenda:** Lauritzen moved and Rueckert seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** Sommerfeld moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 1, 2013. Andrews seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Claims Approved:** Lauritzen moved to approve the claims as presented. Andrews seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Claims Approved:** A-Ox Welding Supply, rental 20.16; Ahlers, Bonnie, election labor 130.00; Avera Queen of Peach, drug testing 52.40; Beal Distributing, malt 22,117.68; Borns Group, March billing 755.40; Boyer Trucks, parts 184.58; BSN Sports, park supplies 448.53; Bunkers Oil, fuel 4877.60; Cask & Cork, wine 90.00; City of Dell Rapids, utilities 112.46; Dakota Beverage, malt 15,448.80; Dakota Pump & Control, float back-up system 5301.03; Dakotacare, health insurance 7430.19; Dells Rapids Ace, supplies 218.40; Dell Rapids Community Ambulance, annual support 40,000.00; Dell Rapids Public Schools, Haven, 6300.00; Dells Farm & Tire, tires/repair 632.00; Global Distributing, malt 58.75; Goldenwest, telecommunications 740.92; Governor's Office of Economic Development, registration 250.00; Gruis, Karla, cleaning services 374.00; HD Supply Waterworks, parts 311.53; Hoffman Sanitation, trash hauling 75.00; Johnson Brothers Famous Brands, liquor 7750.57; LG Everist, road stone 669.85; Linweld, supplies 34.41; McKee, Delores, election labor 132.50; Mitchell, Doris, election labor 130.00; Napa Auto Parts, filters 209.77; One Call, locates 25.53; Republic National Distributing, liquor 10,520.38; Roemen's Automotive, repair 376.15; SD Assoc. of Rural Water Systems, leak trailer 100.00; Sioux Falls Humane Society, animal control 534.76; Strawbale Winery, wine 396.00; Titan Machinery, parts 819.89; Traf-o-teria System, supply 148.74; Vogt, Brown, Merry & Hammer, April retainer 1900.00; Xcel Energy, electricity/street lights 6227.16.

**Added or Increased Salaries:** *Pool* – Manager, Haak, Emily 10.50; Assistant Manager, Davis, Brianna 10.00; Head Guard, Schlaikjer, Brittney 8.50; Guards – Reecy, Kiley 8.25; Van Overbeke, Alex 8.25; Rinehart, McKenzie 8.25; Hogle, Morgan 8.00; Brown, Mikayla 8.00; Leighton, Karlie 8.00; Wiebenga, Morgan 9.25; Utech, Lexy 7.75; Stange, Rita 7.75; Huewe, Jacobe 7.75; Hoff, Coryn 7.50; *Admission Clerks* – Kerzman, Spencer 7.75; Eddy, Karen 7.75; Vortherms, Katelyn 7.25; Haak, Sarah 7.25; Solberg, Tanner 7.25; Hammer, Ben 7.25; Lack, Mary 7.25; Tisher, Jessica 7.25; Schumaker, Zane 7.25; Wright, Cassidy 7.25; *Public Works* – Geraets, Thomas 8.50; Hansen, Weston 8.00; Gruis, Brett 7.75; *Rubble Site Monitor* – Blath, Martin 8.50. Wiebenga moved to approve the summer seasonal employees as presented. Downs seconded. Motion carried 7/0.

**Visitors to be heard:** None.

**Canvas of Municipal Election Ballots of Tuesday, April 9:** The council, acting as the board of canvassers, reviewed the election materials and confirmed the results of the election to be as follows:  
Ward 1 – Gary Haak (34) and H. W. “Skip” Tool (16)  
Ward 4 – Carolyn “Carrie” Testerman (35) and Lee Burggraff (60)  
Lauritzen moved to approve the results of the canvass. Wiebenga seconded. Sommerfeld abstained as he was unable to review the material via Skype. Motion carried 6/0 with Sommerfeld abstaining.

Arbor Day Proclamation: Mayor Fiegen read the following Arbor Day Proclamation and declared Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> as Arbor Day.

*City of Dell Rapids*  
**PROCLAMATION- ARBOR DAY**

**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 reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees are a renewable resources giving us paper, wood for 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; and

**WHEREAS**, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, Dell Rapids has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting practices.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Scott Fiegen, Mayor of the City of Dell Rapids, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 26, 2013, as: ***Arbor Day***

Dated at Dell Rapids, South Dakota this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013.

FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
CITY OF DELL RAPIDS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
By /s/ Scott Fiegen, Mayor

ATTEST:

By /s/ LeAnn Kerzman, Finance Officer

**Transit – Coordinated Plan Proposal and Grant Reimbursement Request:** Weiland explained that in order for the city to continue to receive federal funds for the operation and maintenance of the transit system, a coordination plan must be in place. A request for proposal was put out by ICAP on behalf of Dell Rapids, Brandon, East Dakota Transit and ICAP. SRF Consulting of Minneapolis submitted a proposal with a possible cost to Dell Rapids of \$17,980. The state recognized the expense and has made available a grant program to assist in the expense of the consolidated services study with an 80/20 share. This would leave the cost to the city estimated to be \$3,596. Weiland stressed that the study is essential in order to receive any additional funding in order to operate the transit service. Lauritzen moved to approve the participation in the coordinated plan proposal and the corresponding grant application to offset the costs of the same. Andrews seconded. Motion carried 7/0.

**Spring Clean-up and Free Rubble Site Access:** Weiland informed the council that inquiries are being made regarding free access to the Rubble Site for spring clean-up. Discussion was held regarding the process and possible dates to consider. Downs moved to allow free access with the exception of white goods (appliances \$10.00 each) on Thursday, May 2 (1 p.m. to 6 p.m.) and Saturday, May 4 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.). In the event of inclement weather or muddy conditions at the Rubble Site, alternative dates of Thursday, May 16 (1 p.m. to 6 p.m.) and/or Saturday, May 18 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Andrews seconded. Motion carried 7/0.

**City Administrators Report** – Weiland reported on the following:

- A recap of the ice storm and power outage from last week was discussed for possible concerns and suggestions for improvements during any future event.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Street Phase II preconstruction meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17 at 11 a.m. in council chambers.

- Grant for the purchase of a new transit bus was denied based on the useful life/mileage of the existing unit.
- Health Insurance renewal is scheduled for June 1 with an expected increase of 4%.
- Governor's Office of Economic Development Conference will be held in Sioux Falls on April 16. Justin Weiland and Mike Gereats attending.
- RFP's for playground equipment for the city park have been completed and will be dispersed to interested vendors.
- Point of clarification regarding the security for the Chamber sponsored outdoor music in the park for Quarry Days. The Fire Department as a group did not agree to provide security. Some of the volunteer members may donate their time, personally, to the event. Weiland will confirm that the group has a plan in place to continue to provide security should there be a fire call.

**Claims Approved for Payment by Other Municipal Boards:** Library Board: None.

**Treasurer's Report:** A recap of all income and expenses, that occurred since the last meeting, was presented to the council.

Downs moved and Wiebenga seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 7/0. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

LeAnn Kerzman, Finance Officer