

Colton City Council Meeting May 11, 2020

The Colton City Council met via teleconference for the regular meeting on Monday, May 11, 2020. Mayor Lehman called the meeting to order at 6:30 with the following members present for roll call: Nesheim, Amundson, Bunde, Jensen, Jeff Pedersen and Sehr. Both Madison and Jerrit Pedersen were present for city personnel.

A motion was made by Bunde and seconded by Sehr to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on April 13, 2020. With a roll call the motion passed with all members voting aye.

Department Reports:

Fire Department – Chief Randby gave an update regarding the Fire Department as well as their continued response to Covid-19.

Park and Recreation – Madison spoke to the council regarding the CDC guidelines for opening the swimming pool and also the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, and how this could affect the city. The council decided to reassess the fate of the 2020 swimming season later in May.

Madison spoke to the council regarding the 2020 baseball season. Currently TV Baseball will not be hosting a season but would like the opportunity to possibly hold pickup games in June. The Legion season is currently up in the air as the National American Legion Baseball Association has said they will not sponsor the 2020 season. Mike Grinde will continue to keep the city update as far as the plans for our local team.

Public Works – Jerrit Pedersen spoke to the council regarding asphalt repairs. Double H Paving submitted a quote for \$88,931.50. \$39,112.50 was a carryover from last year that did not get completed due to the wet year, the city will not have to go out for bids.

City Administrator/Municipal Finance Officer –

Madison update the council with the budget numbers and how the Coronavirus is affecting the city's budget. Madison will continue to update the council as the numbers come in.

Madison reported that the 2020 West Nile Grant has been applied for.

There was discussion regarding the opening back up of City Hall, because of the small space and social distancing is impossible, City Hall will remain closed to visitors at this time. We will assess the situation again in June. Madison is in the office during business hours to assist the citizens of Colton the best way she can.

Madison informed the council the Taopi Hall offered to hold the election on June 23rd in the small room. The council agreed to move it from City Hall to Taopi Hall in order to be able to follow CDC guidelines regarding social distancing.

A motion was made by Jensen to approve all claims in the amount of \$183,802.68. The motion was seconded by Nesheim. With a roll call vote the motion passed. The claims list is as follows: 941 DEPOSIT \$1,711.06 April deposit; A&B BUSINESS \$114.69 maintenance fee; BADGER METER \$48.90 services; BNSF RAIL COMPANY \$1500 permit fee; CORTRUST BANK \$1296.29 credit card payment; FIRST RATE EXCAVATE INC \$107,515.69 pay request #1 for Glenn Ave project; GOLDEN WEST \$277.28 phone/fax; HAWKINS INC \$137.21 chemicals; MARC \$1754.55 chemicals; MID AMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY \$330.69 natural gas; MINNEHAHA COMMUNITY WATER \$3106 rural water; NEW CENTURY PRESS \$215.99 publishing; RURAL DEVELOPMENT \$1437 loan payment; SD

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH \$260 lab tests; SD DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$25.05; SD ONE CALL \$3.15 locates; SDRS \$171.76 retirement; SIOUX VALLY ENERGY \$2744.76 electric; US BANK \$60572.35 loan interest; VERIZON \$34.26 cell phone.

Weston Blasius updated the council with Glenn Ave construction project. Currently we are waiting on permits from BNSF to cross the RR on 2nd St. The rest of the project in on schedule.

Resolution # 4-2020 was presented to the council. Resolution #4-2020 is in support of the SD Governor Kristi Noem's executive order 2020-20, Back to Normal Plan. Jensen made a motion to pass the resolution, it was seconded by Sehr. A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed with all members voting aye. The resolution reads as follows.

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2020

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SOUTH DAKOTA'S BACK TO NORMAL PLAN

Whereas, An outbreak of the severe respiratory disease, COVID-19, which is caused by and is transmitted by the person-to-person spread of the novel coronavirus, started in late 2019 and has currently been detected in more than 100 countries, including the United States; and,

Whereas, The World Health Organization has designated COVID-19 a pandemic, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has declared a public health emergency; and,

Whereas, The CDC has issued guidance to state and local governments and all citizens recommending steps to prevent community spread and guard against the COVID-19 outbreak; and,

Whereas, South Dakota has confirmed cases of COVID-19, making this a public health emergency posing a danger to public health and safety in all of South Dakota and causing a state of emergency to be declared by Executive Order 2020-04 on March 13, 2020, which has been extended by Executive Order 2020-15, and continues to currently exist within the State of South Dakota until its expiration on May 31, 2020, unless sooner terminated or extended; and,

Whereas, Governor Kristi Noem did issue Executive Order 2020-08 on March 23, 2020 which orders South Dakota citizens, its employers, healthcare organizations, and its local government bodies to take certain actions in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, such as implementation of restrictions on public gatherings; and

Whereas, Governor Kristi Noem did issue Executive Order 2020-12 on April 6, 2020, which rescinded Executive Order 2020-08, with said Order 2020-12 making the provisions of Executive Order 2020-08 mandatory and solidifying restrictions as to South Dakota citizens, employers, retailers, health care organizations, and local governmental bodies; and

Whereas, The City Council of Colton passed Resolution No. 4-2020 in support of Executive Orders 2020-08 and 2020-12 and outlining recommended procedures and practices to be followed by the citizens, employers, healthcare organizations and municipal government of Colton; and,

Whereas, The CDC continues to issue updated guidance to all citizens to take precautions every day to guard against contracting the disease, and specifically to the population of older adults and people with serious underlying medical conditions to stay home; and,

Whereas, Current projections released by the state Department of Health, endorsed by the state's major health systems, and informed by scientific data and expertise, indicate that due to the citizens of South Dakota following the guidelines and directions stated in Executive Orders 2020-12, 2020-13 and 2020-18, the potential demand of hospitals due to the novel coronavirus has been reduced, South Dakota has flattened its curve slowing the spread of COVID-19, and beginning to resume normal activity is possible with a well-followed and deliberate plan; and

Whereas, Based upon the current projections, Governor Kristi Noem did issue Executive Order 2020-20 on April 28, 2020, which directs South Dakota citizens, businesses, schools, health care providers and local governments to implement and follow South Dakota's "Back to Normal Plan" to return to normal business and social interactions while accounting for the inherent uncertainties of this pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Colton, South Dakota as follows:

1. The City Council of Colton does hereby direct that every resident, business, school, health care provider and local government within Colton shall implement and follow South Dakota's "Back to Normal Plan" dated April 28, 2020 and attached to Executive Order 2020-20, or a later updated version of the Plan. The most current version of the Plan shall be followed and can be found at covid.sd.gov.
2. Resolution No. 3 -2020 is hereby rescinded.

Dated this 11th day of May, 2020.

Pay request #1 for the Glenn Ave project was presented to the council in the amount of \$107,515.69. Amundson made a motion to sign and pay, it was seconded by Sehr. A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed with all voting aye.

Amundson spoke to the council again about text alerts and the roll it can play in keeping our citizens up to date with what is going on in the community. Mayor Lehman asked Madison to make sure the price has continued to stay the same and report back to the council. With budget restraints it maybe something we have to revisit at a later date.

Madison presented the renewal of the Malt Beverage on/off sale license for both the Classic Corner and the Dollar General. Jeff Pedersen made a motion to renew both license, it was seconded by Sehr. A roll call vote was taken the motion passed with all members voting aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm with a motion and a second.

Heather Madison
City Administrator

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