

City of Colton City Council  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Date: 12/08/2025

- 1) **Call to order / Roll call.** At 6:35 PM the meeting was called to order by Mayor Bunde at Taopi Hall. Council Members Bunjer, Evans, Vande Voort and Wochnick answered the roll call. Finance Officer Pilker and Public Works Superintendent Pedersen were present for city staff.
- 2) **Public Time/Hearing(s):** The public was informed of the meeting at Taopi Hall for 4<sup>th</sup> St project information. Weston Blasius and Alex Welbig from Banner Associates brought poster boards and printouts of the 4<sup>th</sup> St Roadway and Utility Improvement Access Plan for the public to view. Funding, design, project dates and finalization of the project plans were discussed. Poster boards were made available to be viewed at City Hall after the meeting.
  - A. The public was invited to ask questions: A question was received regarding adequate signage for business access. A request was made for additional alley way access signage. Questions on the project budget and secured funding were received. Costs of sidewalk construction for property owners on 4<sup>th</sup> St were clarified to be part of the Grant funding and not the responsibility of the property owner in the 4<sup>th</sup> St project area. A question of contract provisions regarding project timelines and contractor penalties were discussed. It was stated that timelines could be adjusted based on justifiable weather or project delays.
  - B. The 4<sup>th</sup> St Roadway construction is expected to take place between May – October of 2026.
- 3) **Outstanding City business.**

A motion was made by Vande Voort and seconded by Evans to approve the meeting minutes and agenda for November 2025. Motion passed with all members voting aye. A motion was made by Wochnick and seconded by Bunjer to approve December claims. Motion passed with all members voting aye.
- 4) **Reports/Other Business.**
  - A. Jeritt Pedersen gave the Fire Department Report: They had 1 Fire meeting, 2 Fire trainings, and 3 fire calls. 1 EMS meeting, 1 EMS training and 8 EMS calls.
  - B. Weston Blasius, with Banner Associates, discussed with the council the December Engineering report. 4<sup>th</sup> St Roadway and Utility Improvements design is 90% complete. Final plans will be submitted to DOT by January 15, 2026. Council will provide Banner with Light pole options for design completion.
  - C. Weston Blasius, with Banner Associates, discussed with the council the completion of the 2025 Slurry Seal project. A motion was made by Evans and seconded by Wochnick to approve the final pay request of \$94,317.75 to Asphalt Surfacing Technologies Corp. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.
  - D. Weston Blasius, with Banner Associates, discussed with the council the completed roadway construction and concrete surface work for the 6<sup>th</sup> St drainage improvements. A motion to approve Pay Request #1 of \$36,207.27 to First Rate Excavate Inc. was made by Evans and seconded by Vande Voort. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.
  - E. Weston Blasius, with Banner Associates, discussed with the council Phase 4 & 5 Waste Water & Storm Sewer improvements. A motion was made by Vande Voort and

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seconded by Bunjer to approve Change Order #3 with an increase in cost of \$2,340.75 to Alliance Construction LLC. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.

- F. Weston Blasius, with Banner Associates discussed with the council, Alliance LLC pay request #7 for Phase 4 & 5 Sanitary and Storm Sewer Improvement Project. A motion was made by Wochnick and seconded by Evans to withhold \$5000.00 and pay \$16,921.34 until potential Spring seeding is completed. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.
- G. Cole Amundson with the Colton Economic Development Group submitted their application for a donation from the city of \$25,000.00 to help continue financing the land development on the East side of Colton. They are continuing to talk to developers and recruit members.
- H. The council reviewed the monthly activity and hours for the Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office.
- I. The council reviewed the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems request for nominations for board membership. Vande Voort offered to serve on the board if chosen. Nomination was sent in on Vande Voort's behalf.
- J. The council discussed the 2026 City Council meeting dates. A motion was made by Evans and seconded by Wochnick to approve meeting dates and submit for publication. Motion passed with all members voting aye.
- K. Finance Officer Pilker discussed Holiday closing dates for City Hall. City Hall will be closed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

**5) Quotes.**

- A. Public Works Superintendent Pederson discussed the AED quote from Avera Heart Hospital of SD. The lifepak AED is \$1581 with an additional \$150 for the cabinet. The AED will be mounted in the park for accessibility for the pool and ball fields during the spring and summer season and located at City Hall off season. Will continue to look into Grants and follow up at the March meeting.
- B. The council reviewed the purchase quote and lease quote from Access Systems. A motion to approve the purchase of a new copy machine of \$3,425.00 with a quarterly maintenance fee of \$258.00 was made by Bunjer and seconded by Vande Voort. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.
- C. The council reviewed a donation request for the 2026 Sioux Empire Water Festival. The festival promotes water education. A motion to approve a \$250.00 donation was made by Bunjer and seconded by Wochnick. Roll call was called with all members voting aye. Motion passed.
- D. Justin Koepp with Electric Construction Co. provided 4 options for roadway lighting and signage for the 4<sup>th</sup> St project. Final decision was tabled until the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- E. Finance Officer Pilker discussed the designs and purchase of custom banners and flags for the Country's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

**6) Ordinances, resolutions, policies, motions:**

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- A. A motion to consent to DSU's implementation of SecureSD for Project Boundary Fence was made by Wochnick and seconded by Vande Voort. Motion passed with all members voting aye.
- B. A motion was made by Evans and seconded by Bunjer to approve Resolution No. 16-2025 between the City of Colton and SiouxLand Library. Motion passed with all members voting aye.
- C. A motion to approve Ordinance No. 4-2025 to approve the adoption of the International Property Maintenance code book for the City of Colton was tabled for vote until the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- D. The council will review Resolution No. 1-2026 for salaries with the motion to change/approve at the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

7) **Adjourn.**

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm by a motion made by Vande Voort and seconded by Bunjer. Motion passed with all members voting aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Pilker  
Colton Finance Officer  
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