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The Kimball City Council met in regular session Monday, January 8, 2024 at the city office. In the absence of Mayor Donnie Hamiel, Council President Bill Gough called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Council Members present by roll call were Michelle Chmela, Dayle Blasius, Bill Gough, Shelly Janish, Brady Goodall, Harold Bickner. Also present were Nancy Munger, Deb Ruiz, Barb Gakin, Guyla Galpin, Justus Baxter and Bobbie Higgins.

Motion by Blasius, second by Chmela to adopt the agenda. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Janish, second by Blasius to approve the December 27<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes as written. All aye. Motion carried.

Finance Officer Barb Gakin's report included 2023 sales tax revenue was down by \$708 over January-December 2022. Gakin reported there was \$409,000 left in 2023's budget that was not spent and the City received \$64,700 more in income than expected.

Motion by Bickner, second by Goodall to approve the finance report. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Janish, second by Chmela to pay the monthly bills. Roll call vote. Blasius-aye, Gough-aye, Janish-aye, Goodall-aye, Bickner-aye, Chmela-aye. Vote of 6-0 motion carried.

Payroll: Council \$5,238.94

SDRS	Retirement	\$	896.34
U.S. Treasury	Payroll Deposit	\$	4,988.69
Wellmark	Insurance	\$	2,142.06
S.D. Unemployment Insurance Division	Payroll Taxes	\$	28.26
Aflac	Insurance	\$	217.08
Beam	Insurance	\$	173.66
Health Equity	Employee HSA Deduction	\$	383.46
S.D. Supplemental Retirement	Professional Services	\$	500.00
Northwestern Energy	Utilities	\$	3,979.84
Midstate Communication	Phone/Internet	\$	576.43
Kimball Clark	Supplies	\$	807.15
Brooks Hardware	Supplies	\$	550.61
Drips Post	Rentals	\$	150.00
S.D. One Call	Locates	\$	6.30
Aurora-Brule Rural Water	Source of Supply	\$	6,410.25
Central Dakota Times	Publishing	\$	95.52

District III Planning & Development	2024 Dues	\$ 1,448.00
S.D. Assn. of Rural Water Systems	2024 Dues	\$ 445.00
Scavenger’s Journey	Publishing	\$ 500.00
Overdrive	Supplies-Periodicals/Videos	\$ 600.00
Maule Law Office	Professional Services	\$ 1,166.67
Vista Business Services	Professional Services/Supplies	\$ 2,493.45
First Bankcard	Postage, Publishing, Machinery-Equip.	\$ 5,239.54
Michelle’s Market	Supplies	\$ 4.30
L & L Sanitation	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 19.12
Milbank Winwater	Repairs-System	\$ 374.55
Shannon Rasmussen	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 140.00
Yeaton Livestock	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,437.50
KWL Teener Baseball	2023 Contribution	\$ 1,500.00

Maintenance Superintendent Justus Baxter’s report included a fire extinguisher inspection, seeded grass at base of water tower, flagged badger holes at airport to be filled in and a Game, Fish and Parks trapper is working on trapping the badgers; trimmed trees; spread salt/sand on 4 separate occasions; replaced blades on maintainer and attached the wing; had snow piles removed within 2 days after the Christmas snowstorm. Baxter asked the council’s thoughts on the windrow of snow on Main Street versus the round-about piles. Baxter is to look into a snow blower attachment for the payloader.

City Administrator Guyla Galpin’s report included filling in the badger holes at the airport; tree pile was burned at rubble site; last 2 weeks have been focusing on snow removal; and asked for project ideas for grants as it is peak season for grant opportunities.

During public input Bobbie Higgins informed the council when she spoke at the December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting it was written in the minutes incorrectly as she was referring to the property at 613 S. Main Street which is adjacent to her property at 609 S. Main Street.

Motion by Bickner, second by Blasius to transfer \$20,000.00 from the Water Fund to the Sewer Fund retroactive to December 31, 2023. Roll call vote. Gough-aye, Janish-aye, Goodall-aye, Bickner-aye, Chmela-aye, Blasius-aye. Vote of 6-0 motion carried.

Motion by Chmela, second by Blasius to approve the following temporary special event liquor license for \$100.00:

**SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE**

Kimball American Legion, Lots 9, 10, 11, Block 10 of Kimball Original; Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for Feb 10<sup>th</sup> (Pink Ladies Dart Tournament).

All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bickner, second by Janish to approve the request from Drips Post to hold a raffle. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bickner, second by Blasius to set the 2024 joint election with the Brule County Primary Election and Kimball School for June 4<sup>th</sup>. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Bickner, second by Chmela to raise water rates \$.25 per 1,000 gallons effective with the February bill. Roll call vote. Janish-aye, Goodall-aye, Bickner-aye, Chmela-aye, Blasius-aye, Gough-aye. Vote of 6-0 motion carried.

Motion by Janish, second by Chmela to table contracting engineer for chip sealing until the next meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Council discussed the land lease bids and decided to add another portion of City property to the lagoon bid. Bickner informed Gough that we take care of that when Gough inquired about also leasing out the golf course

Motion by Bickner, second by Chmela to advertise the lagoon and airport land lease bids with bid opening at the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting at 8:00 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Deputy Finance Officer Nancy Munger reminded the council the Airport Hangar Lease will renew on March 1<sup>st</sup> with rent due at that time. Airport Hangar Lessee Dale Taylor will be notified of the rent being due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The City Christmas Party was set for January 19<sup>th</sup> at Ditty's Diner.

Set the next meeting for January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Janish, second by Chmela to move to executive session for personnel. All aye. Motion carried. Finance Officer Gakin was asked to join the session. Council moved to executive session at 8:06 p.m.

Council moved out of executive session at 8:34 p.m.

Motion by Bickner, second by Chmela to set the following wages and benefits for 2024. Justus Baxter \$21.85 per hour plus benefits; Nancy Munger \$20.80 per hour plus benefits; Guyla Galpin \$46,800 plus benefits and Richard Two Two \$43,680 plus benefits. Benefits-medical insurance: health insurance benefit plan with a maximum of \$1,000.00 per month for full time city employees-health, dental and vision insurance plans. A maximum of \$200.00 per month of the maximum \$1,000.00 per employee may be contributed to the employee's Health Savings Account (HSA). South Dakota Retirement Plan: 6% of Class A employees' earnings for Munger and Baxter to SDRS. Baxter \$300.00 uniform allowance. Mayor \$300.00 per meeting attended, Council Members \$150.00 per meeting attended. Roll call vote. Bickner-aye, Goodall-aye, Janish-aye, Gough-aye, Blasius-aye, Chmela-yes. Vote of 6-0 motion carried.

Motion by Blasius, second by Chmela to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

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Mayor

Attest

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Finance Officer