

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK POINT CITY COUNCIL

The Elk Point City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 7:00pm in the council chambers of City Hall located at 106 W. Pleasant Street with Mayor McCreary presiding and these members present: Abraham, Hurlbert, Penfield, Irlbeck, and VonHaden. No one was absent. Also, present were: City Attorney Thompson, City Administrator Tuttle, Police Chief Limoges, Public Works Director Job, and Finance Officer Hammitt.

Motion made by VonHaden, seconded by Penfield to approve the agenda. All in favor.

Irlbeck moved and Hurlbert seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2024, council meeting. Unanimous.

Motion and second, Penfield/Abraham to approve the following salaries and bills and to instruct the Finance Officer for payment of the same. All in favor. Salaries: General Fund: \$59,754.28; Enterprise Fund: \$31,516.47; Fringe Benefits: General Fund: \$18,117.97; Enterprise Fund: \$9,007.21; Bills: 2Lazy2P-snow removal: \$1,071.43; ABC Larson, LLC-uniforms: \$30.00; Axon Enterprises, Inc.-equipment: \$2,848.50; Black Hills Ammunition-supplies: \$1,319.00; Border States Electric-SFL-supplies: \$4,952.53; Burnight Glass, LLC-repairs: \$150.00; Canon Financial Services, Inc.-copier lease: \$177.00; Cardmember Services-supplies: \$2,164.96; City of Vermillion-tipping fees: \$4,544.36; Code Enforcement Specialists-code enforcement: \$1,500.00; Cole Overgard-repairs: \$6,000.00; Craig Thompson Attorney at Law-professional services: \$497.10; Dakota Pump, Inc.-repairs: \$780.00; East River Electric-power: \$95,727.98; Electronic Engineering, Co.-supplies: \$155.00; Elk Point Ace Hardware-supplies: \$196.79; Elk Point Chamber-dues: \$30.00; Equipment Blades, Inc.-snow removal: \$2,911.52; GPM Environmental Solution-supplies: \$448.00; Hundertmark Cleaning System-professional services: \$36.93; Ingram Library Services-library books: \$1,624.12; Jack's Uniform & Equipment-uniforms: \$149.95; Jeff's Lawn Care, Inc.-maintenance: \$233.00; Job, Trevor-uniforms: \$92.40; Jones' Food Center-supplies: \$66.92; Leader-Courier-publishing: \$206.28; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.-supplies: \$66.83; McKinney Olson Insurance-insurance: \$7,048.64; Menards-supplies: \$32.38; MidAmerican Energy-utilities: \$791.87; Midcontinent Communications-utilities: \$805.43; Mid-States Organized Crime-dues: \$100.00; Motorola Solutions, Inc.-repairs: \$1,400.00; Northern Truck Equipment Company-snow removal: \$8,810.03; One Office Solution-office expense: \$16.99; Orkin-maintenance: \$8.50; Per Mar Security Systems-monitoring services: \$554.65; Resco-inventory for resale: \$3,366.00; Richarz Repair, LLC-repairs: \$4,445.08; Runnings Supply-supplies: \$158.53; Siouxland Lock & Key-repairs: \$295.00; Sirchie Acquisitions Co., LLC-supplies: \$224.60; Southeast Farmers Elevator-auto expense: \$7,223.52; State Industrial Products-maintenance: \$2,138.67; Sturdevant's Auto Parts-repairs: \$342.65; Sundheim Well Repair, LLC-repairs: \$2,272.96; Tep's Construction-repairs: \$432.50; Transource-supplies: \$62.40; Utility Equipment Co.-supplies: \$218.76; Verizon Wireless-utilities: \$205.81; Villa Village-tax abatement: \$12,201.15; Wesco Receivables Corp.-supplies: \$7,704.24

Robin Schiro spoke during public forum.

Motion made by Penfield, seconded by Irlbeck to advertise for seasonal employees. Unanimous.

Motion made by VonHaden, seconded by Irlbeck to hire ELO CPA's and Advisors to conduct the city's 2023 audit. All in favor.

Penfield moved and Hurlbert seconded a motion to approve the Code Enforcement contract with Code Enforcement Specialist (Joel Johnson) and to pay the \$1,500.00 retainer fee. Unanimous.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a Gilcrest Pro Paver for \$25,000.00.

Motion made by Penfield, seconded by Abraham to extend the Community Center lease with the Recreation Development Association for the remainder of the loan. Voting in favor: Penfield, Abraham, VonHaden, and Hurlbert. No one voted against. Irlbeck abstained. Motion carried.

Motion and second, Penfield/Abraham to approve a step increase for Mike Holmes (\$16.00/hour). All in favor.

Irlbeck moved and Penfield seconded a motion to accept Justin Keegan's resignation effective February 13, 2024. Unanimous.

Motion made by Hurlbert, seconded by Irlbeck to advertise for an Equipment Operator. Voting in favor: Hurlbert, Irlbeck, Penfield, and Abraham. Voting against: VonHaden. Motion carried.

Motion and second, Penfield/VonHaden to approve a tax abatement request for the City of Elk Point parcel #03.07.24.1067 for \$159.54. Unanimous.

Penfield moved and Irlbeck seconded a motion to approve the purchase of the Gilcrest Pro Paver for \$25,000.00. All in favor.

Motion made by Penfield, seconded by Irlbeck to go into executive session at 7:31pm per SDCL #1-25-2 (1) Discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, character or fitness of any public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. The term, employee does not include any independent contractor. Unanimous.

Mayor McCreary declared the council out of executive session at 8:24pm.

Motion and second to adjourn, Penfield/VonHaden. All in favor.

Attest: Erika Hammitt
Finance Officer

Deb McCreary
Mayor

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