

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE STURGIS CITY COUNCIL

The Common Council of the City of Sturgis met in regular session starting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2017 at the Erskine Building. Present: Mayor Mark Carstensen, Alderpersons Jason Anderson, Mike Bachand, Rod Bradley, Rhea Crane, Steve Keszler, David Martinson, Scott Peterson and Ronald Waterland. Also present: City Manager Daniel Ainslie and City Attorney Greg Barnier. Absent: None.

Motion by Martinson, second by Waterland and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve the agenda with the addition of j. under Consent Calendar - Special Events License for the Knuckle Saloon.

Motion by Crane, second by Peterson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to go into executive session for one legal case, one contract and one personnel at 6:03 pm.

Motion by Waterland, second by Martinson to return to regular session at 6:27 pm.

Mayor Mark Carstensen led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Informational Reports:

- Library Board – 9-27-17 minutes
- MUB Board – 9-26-17 minutes
- Planning Commission – 10-17-17 minutes

### Announcements:

- On November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> there will a simulated EMS training at the High School.
- City Hall will be closed on Friday for Veterans Day.
- The Big Read will have its final event on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> at the Vets Club.
- The Sturgis Liquor Store will be November 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.
- Mayor Carstensen proclaimed November 1, 2017 Extra Mile Day.

### City Manager Ainslie reported:

- The sales tax update for General Sales Tax and Capital Improvement Tax for September collected in October was down 36.5% month over month and was up 3% year over year. The Gross Receipts Tax (triple B) was down 58% month over month and is up 2.8% year over year.
- Finance Officer Bueno presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly financial update.
- Payroll Changes – within budget:
  1. Ambulance – Critical Care Paramedic – Holly Sabers – status change to Half-time – no wage change.
  2. Volunteer Fire Dept – Volunteer Firefighter – Russell Eisenbraun – volunteer no wage.
  3. Recreation Dept – Referee seasonal – Ashley Abell, Tanner Smith, Zach Weyer - \$20/game K to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, \$25/game 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade, \$20/day Building Supervisor; Laban Clement, Kameron Cochran, Curt Corey, Devon Crowe, Olivia Jolley, Cayden Nobel and Gavin West - \$20/game K to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, \$25/game 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Motion by Anderson, second by Crane and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve the following items on the consent calendar with the exception of removing i and adding j and to correct Resolution 2017-50 by changing the SDCL to 6-13:

- a. Consideration to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2017 regular council meeting.

- b. Consideration to approve Resolution 2017-49 – Authorizing Signing of Union Contract (Police).

**RESOLUTION 2017 - 49**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER AND MAYOR TO SIGN  
A CONTRACT BETWEEN GENERAL DRIVERS & HELPERS UNION LOCAL #120  
(AFFILIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS) AND  
THE CITY OF STURGIS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis desires to enter into a contract with General Drivers & Helpers Union Local #120 (Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters) to define the employer-employee relationship which exists between the City and those employees covered by the Contract and to enter into a complete contract covering wages, rates of pay, hours or work, and other conditions of employment;

WHEREAS, the General Drivers & Helpers Union Local #120 (Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters) desires to enter into such Contract;

WHEREAS, the parties do hereby acknowledge that both parties have met, conferred, and negotiated in good faith regarding wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment for the employees in said bargaining unit and that this Contract is the result of the unlimited right and opportunity afforded to each of the parties to make any and all demands and proposals with respect to the wages, rates of pay, hours of work and other conditions of employment with respect to the unit of employees covered hereby;

WHEREAS, an agreement needs to be entered into between the parties due to the upcoming expiration of the existing Contract between the two parties; and

WHEREAS, a copy of such Contract has been reviewed by both parties and staff fully supports entering into this Contract between the two parties.

NOW THEREFORE City Manager Daniel Ainslie and Mayor Mark Carstensen are hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for the above intended purposes.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

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- c. Consideration to approve Resolution 2017-51 – Authorizing signing of the Operating Engineers Union Contract (City Employees).

**RESOLUTION 2017 - 51**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER DANIEL AINSLIE AND MAYOR  
MARK CARSTENSEN TO SIGN A CONTRACT BETWEEN OPERATING ENGINEERS  
LOCAL UNION #49 AND THE CITY OF STURGIS**

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis desires to enter into a contract with Operating Engineers Local Union #49 to define the employer-employee relationship which exists between the City and those employees covered by the Contract and to enter into a complete contract covering wages, rates of pay, hours or work, and other conditions of employment;

WHEREAS, the Operating Engineers Local Union #49 desires to enter into such Contract;

WHEREAS, the parties do hereby acknowledge that both parties have met, conferred, and negotiated in good faith regarding wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment for the employees in said bargaining unit and that this Contract is the result of the unlimited right and opportunity afforded to each of the parties to make any and all demands and proposals with respect to the wages, rates of pay, hours of work and other conditions of employment with respect to the unit of employees covered hereby; and

WHEREAS, an agreement needs to be entered into between the parties due to the upcoming expiration of the existing Contract between the two parties.

NOW THEREFORE City Manager Daniel Ainslie and Mayor Mark Carstensen are hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for the above intended purposes.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

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- d. Consideration to approve Resolution 2017-50 – Surplus Property.

**RESOLUTION 2017-50  
A RESOLUTION DECLARING PROPERTY SURPLUS**

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STURGIS that the property described below is hereby declared surplus and to be disposed of as described by SDCL 6-13. It is being advisable and in the best interest of the City to demolish the following buildings.

**Parks Division**

Clark House, garage, two sheds and larger storage building at 913 Woodland Drive.

Dated this 6th day of November 2017.

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- e. Consideration to approve the route for the Parade of Lights on December 1, 2017.
- f. Consideration to approve setting a public hearing on November 20, 2017 for 2018 Liquor and Wine License Renewals.
- g. Consideration to approve setting a public hearing on November 20, 2017 for a Use on Review for William Dittmer at 1204 Baldwin St to operate an in-home weed & pest control business.
- h. Consideration to approve setting a public hearing on November 20, 2017 for a transfer of Malt Beverage On-Off Sale License from Shifter's Holdings to Wanda's Kitchen dba Wicked Wanda's Creations LLC at 1025 Junction.
- i. ~~Consideration to approve designating the Rapid City Journal as the official newspaper.~~
- j. Consideration to approve setting a public hearing for November 20, 2017 for a Special Events License for the Knuckle Saloon at Harley-Davidson Rally Point for the Annual Tree Lighting on November 30, 2017.

Motion by Waterland, second by Peterson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve designating the Rapid City Journal as the official newspaper until December 31, 2017. This will be on the December 18<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Motion by Bradley, second by Martinson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve the following claims:

**WAGES** – Ambulance \$25,953.12; Attorney \$3534.38; Auditorium \$184.79; Buildings \$1834.85; Cemetery \$2399.01; City Manager \$6981.09; Community Center \$10,759.42; Finance Office \$9259.18; Fire Department \$539.66; Human Resource \$8519.16; Library \$8858.50; Liquor \$5889.35; Mayor and Council \$3661.11; Parks \$12,169.11; Planning & Permitting \$9077.59; Police \$44,179.14; Rally \$10,558.27; Recreation \$3770.97; Sanitary Service \$16,684.98; Special Sales Tax \$1923.08; Streets \$14,628.01; Wastewater \$10,653.90; Water \$14,140.87; Federal Withholding \$25,668.87; FICA \$16,511.61.

**COMBINED CASH FUND** – First Interstate Bank, \$2000.00, ATM cash; Stacey Learn, \$92.27, water refund; Beverly Sears, \$48.08, water refund.

**GENERAL** – A&B Business, \$520.62, supp; A&B Welding, \$213.34, supp; Amazon, \$45.45, supp; American Engineer Testing, \$156.75, supp; American Solutions for Business, \$1201.71, supp; Avaya, \$25.55, util; Avtech, \$180.00, util; Baker & Taylor, \$404.76, supp; Bear Butte Valley Water, \$97.30, util; Ann Bertolotto, \$1000.00, grp insur; Black Hills & Badlands Tourism, \$250.00, supp; Black Hills Energy, \$29,552.47, util; Black Hills Finance Officers Assn, \$30.00, other; Black Hills Harley Davidson, \$831.55, rep; Nathan Borg, \$95.85, supp; Roger Burnham, \$3500.00, prof fee; Rick Bush, \$125.00, grp insur; Butte Electric, \$550.62, util; Cass County Heating, \$168.00, repair; CBH Cooperative, \$311.49, supp; Century Business, \$79.75, supp; City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$4412.88, util; Comfort Suites Bismark, \$251.10, travel; Culligan of the BH, \$38.00, supp; Dakota Extinguisher & Safety, \$24.00, repair; Dakota Lodge, \$632.00, travel; Dana's Plumbing, \$391.39, repair; Deer Mountain Gutter, \$234.60, supp; EB Communications, \$72.00, prof fee; Ecolab Pest, \$207.64, maint; Epic Outdoor Advertising, \$1100.00, rental-rally; Fastenal Company, \$57.38, supp; Foothills Seed, \$14.75, supp; Godfrey Brake, \$115.00, supp; Dylan Goetsch, \$31.02, supp; Great Western Tire, \$2151.40, supp; Grocery Mart, \$47.74, supp; Group II Communications, \$5500.00, city promo; Harvey's Lack Shop, \$1964.57, repair; Jerred Hegstrom, \$30.00, other; Homeslice Media Group, \$6728.52, publ-rally; Inland Truck Parts, \$41.60, repair; J&L Services, \$380.00, repair; KT Connections, \$1082.80, prof fee; Darryl Knight, \$300.00, supp; Lawson Products, \$210.05, supp; Locators & Supplies, \$111.86, supp; Marco Technologies, \$113.72, repair; Meade Co Auditor, \$15,041.52, other; Meade Co Register of Deeds, \$90.00, plat fees; Meade Co Times, \$525.64, publ; MDU, \$5199.56, util; Richard Otten, \$295.00, refund; P.I.E., \$448.70, supp; Pheasant land Industries, \$493.97, supp; Pitney Bowes, \$345.48, rent; Postmaster, \$2500.00, supp; Print Mark-et, \$1169.83, publ; Push-Pedal-Pull, \$982.32, repair; Rapid Delivery, \$12.65, supp; Rasmussen Mechanical, \$196.61, repair; S&C Cleaners, \$3000.00, maint; Safety Benefits, \$195.00, travel; Lance Scherer, \$16.50, travel; SD Federal Property, \$13.00, supp; Shooters Images, \$1000.00, supp; Sidehack Saloon, \$485.00, supp; Sirche Finger Print Laboratory, \$218.47, supp; South Dakota Open, \$200.00, refund; Speedy Lube, \$57.50, repair; Christina Steele, \$248.10, travel; Sturgis Area Chamber of Commerce, \$200.00, sup; Sturgis ATV, \$14.80, repair; Sturgis Coffee Co, \$120.00, supp; Sturgis Demolition Derby, \$1,000.00, refund; Sturgis Motorcycle Museum, \$1,000.00, refund; Summit Signs, \$170.00, supp; Time Equipment Rental, \$2157.59, rental-rally; Town-N-Country Plumbing, \$24.95, supp; Geody Vandewater, \$25.00, grp insur; Vast Business, \$2228.48, util; Verizon Wireless, \$2622.13, util; West River Electric Assn, \$430.10, util.

**SPECIAL SALES TAX** – City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$408.10, util; MDU, \$16.48, util; Sturgis Area Chamber of Commerce, \$1897.19, monthly paymt; Sturgis Economic Development Corp, \$8333.33, monthly pymt; Verizon Wireless, \$132.96, Chamber.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT** – Baseline Surveying, \$967.50, bldg.; Century Glass Co, \$1487.38, imprmnts; Dakota Granite, \$905.00, cap impr; Fennell Design, \$31,237.50, impr; Hills materials, \$7613.88, impr; Meints Residential Concrete, \$1795.20, impr; Pete Lien & Sons,

\$290.25, impr; Rossman Trucking, \$3600.00, impr; Wires R Us, \$1910.46, impr; A&S Dust Control System, \$2748.35, impr.

**BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT** - Jerry Cole \$17.75, supp; Homeslice Media Group, \$7732.97, publ; Sturgis Area Chamber of Commerce, \$780.00, supp; The Knuckle Saloon, \$1745.01, supp.

**TIF #11 SPM** – Fence Crafters, \$8290.00, other.

**TIF #12 Dolan Creek** – First Interstate Bank, \$808.42, other.

**LIQUOR** – Amcon Distributing, \$1051.02, supp; Arctic Glacier USA, \$60.48, supp for resale; Belle Joli Winery, \$189.00, liquor; BH Dakota Distillery, \$216.00, liquor; Black Hills Energy, \$3871.95, util; Cask & Cork, \$250.04, liquor; City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$295.50, util; Coca Cola, \$386.00, pop; Dakota's Best Distributing, \$147.90, liquor; Ecolab Pest, \$114.62, maint; Fat Boys, \$267.00, liquor; First Interstate Bank, \$5000.00 ATM cash; Fisher Beverage, \$8219.71, liquor; Johnson Western Wholesale, \$16,358.46, liquor; KT Connections, \$98.44, prof fee; LPA Retail Systems, \$2322.37, prof fee; Mobile Mini, \$199.41, other; MDU, \$106.72, util; Pepsi Cola, \$43.25, pop; Prairie Berry, \$672.00, liquor; Print Mark-et, \$68.82, publ; Quality Brands of the BH, \$15,813.78, liquor; Republic Beverage Co, \$23,699.15, liquor; Schade Vineyard, \$264.00, liquor; Southern Glazier's of SD, \$1667.34, liquor; The Knuckle Saloon, \$80.00, supp; True Brands, \$529.82, liquor; Vast Business, \$288.65, util; Verizon Wireless, \$54.23, util.

**WATER** – APWA, \$190.00, prof fee; Black Hills Energy, \$12,113.29, util; Buckle Tree, \$67.19, supp; Kathy Bulau, \$500.00, grp insur; Rick Bush, \$125.00, grp insur; Butte Electric, \$183.60, util; CBH Cooperative, \$630.76, supp; Century Business, \$56.08, supp; City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$124.00, util; Core & Main LLP, \$7121.80, supp; Credit Collections, Bureau, \$93.28, prof fee; Ecolab Pest, \$380.00, maint; Great Western Tire, \$1312.80, repair; Grocery Mart, \$12.25, repair; Hawkins, \$1294.85, supp; KT Connections, \$98.44, prof fee; Kyle's Lawn Mowing, \$490.00, repair; Meade Co Times, \$31.31, publ; Menard's, \$10.43, sup; MDU, \$179.98, util; Northwest Pipe Fittings, \$134.96, supp; Pollardwater, \$176.19, supp; Print Mark-et, \$68.82, publ; Rockingtree Floral, \$50.00, repair; SD One Call, \$110.88, prof fee; Site Work Specialists, \$2500.00, refund deposit; Tracker Software Corp, \$1491.32, other; Utility Service Co, \$44,035.62, cap imp; Vast Business, \$172.18, util; Verizon Wireless, \$214.54, util; Weston Engineering, \$145,632.00, cap imp.

**WASTEWATER** – Advanced Engineering, \$40,503.60, cap impr; Black Hills Energy, \$2619.24, util; Buckle Tree, \$70.41, supp; Rick Bush, \$125.00, grp insur; City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$20.86, repair; Flexible Pipe Tool Co, \$645.50, repair; Heavy Constructors, \$323,459.29, cap impr; KT Connections, \$98.44, prof fee; Kieffer Sanitation, \$180.00, supp; Mid-American Research Chemical, \$149.00, repair; Print Mark-et, \$68.82, publ; Tracker Software Corp, \$1491.33, other; Verizon Wireless, \$139.81, util.

**SANITARY SERVICE** – Adams-ISC, \$72.00, supp; Black Hills Energy, \$248.77, util; Buckle Tree, \$22.50, supp; Rick Bush, \$125.00, grp insur; Century Business, \$304.08, prof fee; Century Link, \$54.74, util; Eddies Truck Sales, \$12.67, repair; Great Western Tire Co, \$509.70, supp; KT Connections, \$98.44, prof fee; Key City Glass, \$285.00, supp; Kieffer Sanitation, \$3145.10, other; New Deal Tire, \$1491.60, other; Northern Truck Equipment, \$46.70, repair; Richard Otten, \$265.00, refund; Print Mark-et, \$68.82, publ; Ramada Hotel, \$172.80, travel; Sanitation Products, \$25.00, supp; Sheehan Mack Sales, \$188.58, repair; SWANA, \$612.00, travel; Tracker Software Corp, \$1491.32, other; Verizon Wireless, \$37.77, util.

**AMBULANCE** – A & B Welding, \$455.85, supp; Avera Health Plans, \$798.00, refund, Black Hills Energy, \$578.35, util; CCBH Cooperative, \$1670.03, supp; Century Business, \$151.99, supp; City of Sturgis Water Dept, \$80.69, util; Dept of Social Services, \$167.12, refund; Ecolab Pest, \$39.56, supp; Henry Schein, \$732.10, supp; Hersrud, \$1273.16, repair; Jones & Bartlett Learning, \$2189.62, supp; KT Connections, \$98.44 prof fee; Keffeler Kreations, \$45.00, supp; Kreisers, \$1850.00, supp; Leavitt Heartland Insurance, \$310.00, insur; Medical Waste Transport, \$114.45, other; MDU, \$65.57, util; Print Mark-et, \$68.82, publ; Regional Health, \$4982.93, supp; Sturgis Motorsports, \$59.99, repair; Vast Business, \$167.37, util; Verizon Wireless, \$527.96, util.

Motion by Bradley, second by Keszler and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve for LPN Holdings Resolution 2017-54 - Vacate a Section Line and R-O-W contingent that the petition for annexation has been approved and filed, maintaining easements for the utilities and filing the plat. The approval of the frontage variance will be tabled until the November 20, 2017 meeting.

**RESOLUTION 2017-54**  
**RESOLUTION TO VACATE A SECTION LINE RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED ON**  
**PROPERTY OWNED BY LPN HOLDINGS**

WHEREAS, LPN Holdings LLC, owner of the referenced property below has petitioned to request that the Sturgis City Council vacate the portion of the public right-of-way adjacent to the herein referenced property:

A Portion of Section Line R.O.W. being the West 33' (feet) along the East Property Line of Lot 2 being the East 173' (feet) of Lot 2 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 8. Located along the section line common to Section 8 and Section 9, Township 5 North, Range 5 East, Black Hills Meridian, City of Sturgis, Meade County, South Dakota.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the assembled members of the Common Council of the City of Sturgis, do hereby approve the request to vacate the right of way described herein.

Adopted this 6th day of November, 2017.

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Motion by Bachand, second by Martinson and carried with Carstensen, Bachand, Crane, Keszler, Martinson, Peterson and Waterland voting yes, Bradley abstaining, to approve a transfer of Malt Beverage On-Off Sale License from Lorna Duprel dba Poker Alice Casino to Dvorak Convenience Stores Inc dba Poker Alice Casino at 2640 Lazelle.

Motion by Waterland, second by Crane and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve first reading of Ordinance 2017-09 – Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance – supplement for 2017 Budget.

Motion by Anderson, second by Martinson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve first reading of Ordinance 2017-10 – Title 9 – Fire Prevention and Regulations.

Ed Blair, Fred Wells, Bonnie Albert and Councilor Bachand stated their concerns and thoughts on forming the Tax Districts.

Motion by Bradley, second by Waterland and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve Resolution 2017-52 – Entering into a Fire Tax District and also Resolution 2017-53 – Entering into an Ambulance District.

**RESOLUTION 2017-52**  
**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO INCLUDE CITY OF STURGIS WITH IN WEST-**  
**CENTRAL MEADE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis has authority to provide fire protection services within the city limits of the City of Sturgis, and

WHEREAS, for a number of years the City of Sturgis annual budget has included significant funding for the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department to provide that protection, and

WHEREAS, Meade County is authorized by state law to provide funding for fire protection services for areas of the county which do not have such services provided by a township or a rural fire protection district, and

WHEREAS, the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department has an established fire service area of roughly 478 square miles, and

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis is an area comparable to about 5 square miles within that fire service area, and

WHEREAS, the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department responds to approximately 203 calls each year, and

WHEREAS, from 2014 to today, 56% of the total call responses by the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department are for assistance outside the boundaries of the City of Sturgis, and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing equipment and training for emergency fire protection services for areas outside the boundaries of the City of Sturgis will continue to increase each year as it has for many years, and

WHEREAS, the combined annual support within the City budget to the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department is in excess of \$200,000, for fuel, building payments, equipment, maintenance, and supplies, and

WHEREAS, the City's support of the Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department has included making biennial payments of \$25,000 toward the loan for the last fire engine purchased by Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department in 2010, and

WHEREAS, the annual fundraising efforts of SVFD are not capable of self-funding the equipment, training and supplies required to properly defend the entire response area and has necessitated the continued investment by the City of Sturgis for the ongoing operation of the Fire protective services, and

WHEREAS, the Meade County Board of County Commissioners has met with the Sturgis City Council members in the past to develop a solution for funding this need, and

WHEREAS, the Meade County Board of County Commissioners has advised the Sturgis City Council that it will not include funding in the county budget for fire protection without a citizen effort to create a Rural Fire Protection District.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the entire area of the City of Sturgis shall be included in the West-Central Meade County Fire Protection District.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

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**RESOLUTION 2017-53**

**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO INCLUDE CITY OF STURGIS WITH IN WEST-CENTRAL MEADE COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis is authorized by law to provide ambulance service within the city limits of the City of Sturgis, and

WHEREAS, since the City of Sturgis began operating the Sturgis/Meade County Ambulance Service, the City of Sturgis' annual budget has included General Fund and Capital Improvement tax revenue to pay for several operating costs to offset the losses for the Sturgis/Meade County Ambulance Service to permit the service to continue to exist, and

WHEREAS, Meade County is authorized by state law to provide ambulance service within the county, and

WHEREAS, the Sturgis/Meade County Ambulance Service has an established response area of roughly 805 square miles, and

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis is an area of approximately 5 square miles within that Ambulance Service area, and

WHEREAS, the Sturgis Ambulance Service has doubled its call volume in the past 8 years and is on track to respond to 2050 calls in 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Sturgis/Meade County Ambulance Service provides 24/7 advanced life support care, and,

WHEREAS, in 2016 38% of all those calls are calls for emergency ambulance service outside the boundaries of the City of Sturgis, and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing equipment and training for emergency ambulance service for both areas inside and areas outside the boundaries of the City of Sturgis will continue to increase each year as it has for many years, and

WHEREAS, the Meade County Board of County Commissioners has met with the Sturgis City Council members in the past to develop a solution for funding this need, and

WHEREAS, the current annual funding provided by the City to the Sturgis Ambulance Service, from several sources, offsets the annual Ambulance Department loss of approximately \$180,000, and

WHEREAS, the vehicles used by the Sturgis Ambulance Service have a projected service life of approximately 150,000 miles, and

WHEREAS, to maintain an operational fleet an ongoing annual investment of approximately \$100,000 is required for new and remounted ambulances, and

WHEREAS, approximately 85% of those persons using the Sturgis Ambulance Service are legally able to pay less than the cost charged for providing the ambulance service, and

WHEREAS, the annual fundraising efforts of Sturgis Ambulance Service during late 2016 and 2017 has been approximately \$35,000, and



WHEREAS, despite these significant fundraising efforts, residents cannot reasonably expect the Service to fully fundraise sufficient funds to offset the continued operating costs of the service, and

WHEREAS, since the current City-County Ambulance Service contract approved in 2013, Meade County owes approximately \$300,000 for past due expenses to the City of Sturgis and that this amount and future associated costs would be a significant burden on Meade County's finances, and

WHEREAS, the Meade County Board of County Commissioners has indicated to the Sturgis City Council that it will not include funding in the county budget for the Sturgis/Meade County Ambulance Service without a citizen effort to create an Ambulance Service District.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the entire area of the City of Sturgis shall be included in the West-Central Meade County Ambulance District.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

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Motion by Waterland, second by Peterson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve a policy on minimum qualification requirements for firms providing Construction Management at Risk Services.

Motion by Crane, second by Keszler and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to approve Request for Proposals from Interconnection Systems Inc to install solar shade structure at Harley-Davidson Rally Point and authorization to sign all paperwork. A committee will be formed to make sure the design fits with the appearance of the Harley-Davidson Rally Point.

Any other business:

Bonnie Albert thanked the City Manager and the Parks Department for the playground equipment at Rose Park.

Roger Schemien asked if there could be a bathroom built at the Rally Point.

Motion by Waterland, seconded by Peterson and carried with all members present unanimously voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 pm.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fay Bueno, Finance Officer

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Carstensen, Mayor

Published once at the total approximate cost of \$421.33.