

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STURGIS CITY COUNCIL

The Common Council of the City of Sturgis met in special session starting at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019 at City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way. Present: Mayor Mark Carstensen, Alderpersons, Jason Anderson, Mike Bachand, Rhea Crane, Steve Keszler, Terry Keszler, David Martinson, Ronald Waterland and Beka Zerbst. Also present: City Manager Daniel Ainslie, City Attorney Barnier and Lisa Katzenstein. Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm.

Mayor Carstensen led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Zerbst, second by Waterland and carried with all members present voting yes to unanimously approve the agenda.

Motion by Martinson, second by Crane and carried with all members present voting yes to unanimously go into executive session for personal at 5:03.

Motion by Bachand, second by T. Keszler to come out of executive session at 5:09 pm.

Human Resource Director Lisa Katzenstein explained that there were a couple allocations incorrect on Resolution 2019-01-Salary Resolution:

- Marty Plaggemeyer is 60% Streets and 40% Buildings (not 40% Streets and 60% Buildings).
- Kayla Gerbracht is 25% Streets, Sanitation, Wastewater and Water (not 100% Streets).
- Tom Price, Christ Woods are half-time employees (not part-time).
- Cody Heupel, Thomas Harvey are part-time employees (not half-time).

City Manager Ainslie gave a PowerPoint presentation on the present and future finances of the City. The following topics were reviewed: value of building permits from 2008-2018; general sales tax growth; tourism sales tax growth; history of the City's mill levy; 2018 financials; 2020 budget review; ambulance and fire funding for 2020.

The following Council goals were discussed:

1. Ordinance review
2. Annexations
3. Fire/Ambulance funding-boundaries; Lawrence County area of service and Campgrounds
4. Quality of Life
 - a. Options for splash park
 - b. Expansion of trails
 - c. 1st Avenue storm drainage
 - d. Plan for Marcotte property
 - e. Auditorium clean up
 - f. Woodland Drive extension
 - g. Fine tune Events
 - h. Advertise Events more
 - i. Off Season Events
 - j. Sporting Events-October Basket Ball tournaments; soccer tournaments
5. Ensure future subdivision growth
6. Continue implementation of 2019-2023 Generation Fund (Capital Improvements)
7. Ensure Sturgis is within the lowest four Black Hills communities' cost of living index
8. Communicate with the Public
 - a. Positive Communication

- b. Expand newsletter
- c. Invite citizens to the City Council meetings
- d. Video of Council meetings, broadcast on KBHB
- e. Update website-more user friendly-more information
- f. More intuitive

A decision was made to change the process of the Council receiving their packets. The preliminary packet will go to the Council the Thursday prior to the Wednesday before the Council meeting. The final packet will be sent out on the Wednesday before the meeting.

The Council discussed the Ordinance Review procedure and concluded that Title 18-Zoning-Downtown District and Title 32-Animals will have second readings and that Title 3-Alcohol and Title 7-City Government will be the next ordinances to review. The review process will have discussion on the Title for two (2) Council meetings and at Committee meetings, then the first and second reading will take place. Other Titles that will be considered in the future are Title 2-Contractor and Building; Title 9-Fire Prevention; Title 12-Nuisance; Title 16-Traffic; Title 18-Zoning; Title 31 and 11-Special Sanitation Fee.

Discussion was held on annexation of properties. Several locations were earmarked for Staff to work on.

Discussion was held on a proposed Bike Path south of town.

Other items discussed:

- None

Motion by T. Kessler seconded by Anderson and carried with all members present voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 pm.

ATTEST: _____
Fay Bueno, Finance Officer

APPROVED _____
Mark Carstensen, Mayor

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