

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
March 16, 2009**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for Roll Call were: Arnold Dalldorf, Joel Foxley, Rick Gustad, Rich Hoppe, Gary Iedema, Jerry Overweg, and Todd Spoelstra. Others present were: Steve Christensen, Pam Hein, Kevin Kuiper, Ralph Nachtigal, and Nicole Westerhuis.

AGENDA. No changes were made to the agenda.

MINUTES. Westerhuis read aloud the March 2 regular meeting minutes. Foxley moved and Spoelstra seconded to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Councilmember Dalldorf. Received a call from Bill Samuelson regarding the mower bids. Spoelstra stated he also received the same complaint from Samuelson. No action taken.

Councilmember Overweg. Received complaints regarding the metal siding on Brian Biehl's building. Some council members thought the building would use conventional siding rather than metal siding. Upon reviewing Biehl's building permit, it stated "color siding to match house". Westerhuis stated that the zoning ordinance does not state that metal siding cannot be used. Westerhuis was instructed to consult with Planning District III regarding zoning ordinance language prohibiting metal siding. No action taken.

Mayor & Remaining Councilmembers. No report.

Finance Officer. Westerhuis reported the following. 1) The annual report is finished and will be in council books at the next meeting. 2) The SDML District 4 meeting is in Wagner April 7th. 3) GOED conference is in Pierre April 14 & 15. 4) Nominating petitions for the following positions can begin circulating April 7, and must be filed by 5 p.m., May 8: Mayor – 2 year term, Ward I – 2 year term, Ward II – 2 year term, Ward III – 2 year term. 5) South Dakota Housing Development Authority will be sponsoring the "Paint -South Dakota" program again. The application is due to SDHDA by April 22nd.

Police Department. Chief Christensen reported the following. 1) Would like to attend a spike strip course, a courtroom confrontations course, and the DARE annual training. 2) Signs will be placed around South Park stating a 15 mph speed limit. One stop sign may be installed. 3) Would like to take the patrol car to the funeral of Turner County Deputy this week.

Public Works. Kuiper reported the following. 1) Travis Dyk attended wastewater school in Sioux Falls, but did not test due to bad weather. His testing will be at the end of April. 2) Took General and Category 9 applicator tests, and awaiting the results. 3) All black dirt areas at South Park have been grass seeded. 4) The next required round of disinfection by-product testing has been completed. 5) The white goods at the landfill have been crushed and sold. 6) Doing some work at the airport. 7) There was an accident with the payloador on Monday.

PUBLIC FORUM. No requests.

BUILDING PERMITS. It was noted that Fergie's Pub & Barrister withdrew their application for building permit. Steve Frey applied for a permit to erect a 20'x70' greenhouse on his commercial

property. The application states that the structure will be a temporary structure, going up in April, and taken down at the end of September. **Dalldorf moved and Overweg seconded approving Frey's permit to erect a temporary 20'x70' greenhouse, to be removed by October 1, 2009. Motion passed on voice vote.** Donna Travis applied for a permit to build a 28'x8' front porch, a 28'x18' addition, and to move the carriage house, as long as its condition is good enough to move. **Overweg moved and Hoppe seconded approving Donna Travis' permit to build a 28'x8' front porch, and a 28'x18' addition to house, and to move the carriage house to the back of the lot, if its condition is good enough to move. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GRANT PRESENTATION – PAM HEIN. Charles Mix States Attorney Pam Hein was present to explain a federal domestic violence grant opportunity. The grant is a 75/25 matching grant that would enable the county to train law enforcement in issues dealing with domestic violence, and would supplement the salaries of part-time states attorneys such as Hein.

Discussion was held as to what other cities and the county have agreed to commit to the project. **Overweg moved and Spoelstra seconded committing \$1,000 to the Domestic Violence Stop grant. Motion passed on roll call vote 6 to 0.**

SUMMER HELP APPLICATIONS. The parks committee made their recommendations for summer employees. **Foxley moved and Hoppe seconded hiring Jocie Porter as Pool Manager/Head Lifeguard at \$9.50 per hour; Collin Ringling as Lifeguard at \$6.85 per hour, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification; Keith Cutler as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification; Kasya Marlo as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification; Brooke Kemnitz as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification; Caleb Veurink as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification, Keagan Ringling as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification, and Kellee Griese as Lifeguard at \$6.00 per hour, and a \$0.35 per hour increase with Lifeguard Training, and an additional \$0.65 per hour increase with WSI certification. Motion passed on voice vote.**

Iedema moved and Dalldorf seconded hiring James Tschumper as Laborer at \$8.00 per hour and LeRoy Schmitz as Mower at \$6.55 per hour. Motion passed on voice vote.

LANDFILL RATE CHANGES. Westerhuis stated that at budget time last year, it was agreed to increase the landfill rates by approximately 5% at the beginning of the year. She said she advised at that time to make the increase when new books need to be printed. Landfill rates have not been changed for quite some time. **Foxley moved and Iedema seconded increasing the landfill rates by approximately 5% effective immediately. Motion passed on voice vote.**

RESOLUTION #031609-1 – COMMUNITY CENTER RESERVE. Westerhuis presented the following resolution.

Resolution # 031609-1

Resolution To Establish A Reserve Account

WHEREAS, the City of Platte, South Dakota, accepts donations designated to be used for the Community Center; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that said donations are indeed used for Community Center expenses, a capital outlay account should be established;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED, that a capital outlay account is established within the General Fund for the purpose of accumulating cash reserves for Community Center expenses allowed by SDCL 9-2-14.1. Said reserve will be offset by a reserve of fund equity in the General Fund, equal to the amount of the cash reserve; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total cash accumulated in the capital outlay account will never exceed ten dollars per thousand dollars of assessed value of all property within the City of Platte.

Dated in Platte, South Dakota this 16th day of March, 2009.

s/
Rick Gustad, Mayor of Platte

/s/
Nicole Westerhuis, City Finance Officer

Overweg moved and Hoppe seconded approving Resolution #031609-1. Motion passed on voice vote.

FEDERAL AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION. Westerhuis presented the following resolution from the Charles Mix County Highway Department.

**FEDERAL AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION
FOR COUNTY AND URBAN PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Platte desires the construction and improvement of the road and/or bridge as hereinafter described:

LOCATION, LENGTH, STRUCTURE NUMBER:
Various City Roads

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION:
Traffic Control Signing

Major Collector Route Number (if applicable) NA

AND WHEREAS, the City of Platte is obligated and hereby agrees to provide proper maintenance as required by the Federal Highway Act as amended and supplemented thereto for the project after construction is completed and to regulate or cause to be regulated the installation of utility facilities within the limits of the right-of-way of the proposed project in accordance with State and Federal requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Dakota Department of Transportation be and hereby is authorized and requested to program for construction, in accordance with the "Secondary Road Plan" and the State's "Standard Specifications for Roads and Bridges," the project described.

Estimated Cost of Project Including Engineering: \$30,000
STP Funds: NA

Local Funds (if needed to meet construction year): NA
Proposed Year of Construction: 2010
Vote of City Council: Yes

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Rick Gustad, Mayor of Platte

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Nicole Westerhuis, City Finance Officer

Kuiper explained that the program would involve having state engineers survey the city to determine how many high resolution signs are needed, and then the state would install them. **Dalldorf moved and Foxley seconded approving the Federal Aid Surface Transportation Program Resolution. Motion passed on voice vote.**

TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE – FERGIE’S PUB & BARRISTER. Fergie’s Pub & Barrister submitted an application for a temporary liquor license for a wedding reception/dance to be held June 20th at the Community Center. **Dalldorf moved and Hoppe seconded approving a temporary liquor license for Fergie’s Pub & Barrister for June 20 at the Community Center. Motion passed on voice vote.**

VOYAGER COMMERCIAL FLEET CARDS. Westerhuis explained the Voyager Commercial Fleet program, which would allow city personnel to get gas at any of the convenience stores in addition to Country Pride Cooperative, using a fleet card, which works just like a credit card. The Voyager program would remove the federal excise tax prior to billing, and would bill the city monthly for gas purchases made. **Hoppe moved and Overweg seconded authorizing Gustad and Westerhuis to sign the Voyager program application. Motion passed on voice vote.**

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Hoppe moved and Foxley seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Nicole Westerhuis
City Finance Officer