

**CITY OF PLATTE
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING
February 17, 2015**

Mayor Gustad called the meeting to order at Platte City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were: Mitch Antonsen, Tom Boltjes, Rick Gustad, Rich Hoppe, Jarrod Lang, and Jerry Overweg. Councilmember Joel Foxley was absent. Others present were: Justin Boltjes, Sharon Huizenga, Kevin Kuiper, Shauna Meyerink, and Brandon Semmler.

AGENDA.

MINUTES. Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve the February 2nd regular meeting minutes with one correction to the spelling of Councilmember Tom Boltjes name in the roll call. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on voice vote of 5-0.

REPORTS.

Councilmember Antonsen: Informed the council that his guard unit has been activated for deployment come August of 2015. Antonsen stated if anyone from Ward III is interested in serving on the council to contact him or another councilmember.

Mayor and Remaining Councilmembers: No report.

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) Meyerink presented some updated information regarding the Sewer/Water Study being completed by Stockwell Engineering. There were three minor comments which needed addressed: a) update the interest rate that the DENR changed, b) requested an alternative be added for looping the existing water lines, and c) add an alternative to add back up power for the booster pumps. 2) Informed the council that a registration will be sent in for the Airport Conference on March 18-19th. Councilmember Boltjes stated he would verify his schedule to be able to possibly attend.

Police Department.

Chief Semmler also reported on the following topics: 1) Requested permission to attend the joint Chief and Sheriff Conference April 22nd through the 24th in Deadwood. Council granted permission.

Public Works. Superintendent Kuiper reported on the following topics: 1) The Pipal property has been cleaned up along with the basement and storm shelter being backfilled. Dirt from out by the lake was used to fill the basement and storm shelter. 2) The excavator was used at the dump to compact, spread, and clean the bury pile. The process took approximately two hours with the excavator. 3) Energy Laboratories of Rapid City will be closing this year. Kuiper is researching other laboratories to complete the City's contaminated soil testing's. 4) There were two water leaks in town that were both in the service lines of the property owners. The leaks are in the process of being repaired. 5) Councilmember Hoppe questioned what Kuiper intended to do with the Pipal ground now that it is cleaned up. Kuiper replied the mailboxes will be relocated and then questioned the council if grass should be planted or if gravel should be hauled in for additional parking during baseball/softball games. Kuiper also questioned when Iedema's have to relinquish the property. Council stated grass should be planted while determinations are made regarding the property. Council also stated that no exact date had been set as of now for Iedema's to be moved. Finance Officer Meyerink was asked to schedule the Pipal property on the next agenda for the discussion of determining a date in which Iedema's must be moved by.

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS.

CLAIMS.

Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve all claims as presented. Motion seconded by Overweg. Motion carried on roll call vote of 6-0. (Attached as separate document)

OLD BUSINESS.

Sewer Rates: Mayor Gustad presented a proposed sewer rate structure. Calculations to estimated change in revenue were based off the January billing and water usage. Discussion of rate structure and changes was conducted. Council commented that rates would be more uniform than they have been. **Motion to approve Resolution No. 02172015-01 made by Councilmember Lang and seconded by Councilmember Antonsen. Motion carried on voice vote of 5-0.**

**CITY OF PLATTE
RESOLUTION NO. 02172015-01**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Platte finds that the sewer department needs additional funds to sustain its own maintenance and operation, and

WHEREAS, the City’s current rate schedule would prohibit the receipt of state aid in the financing of projects, and

WHEREAS, the City’s current rate schedule is not able to sustain the costs associated with maintaining and improving the infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the last sewer rate increase implemented by the City Council was in 2014 regarding the base rate only, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Platte that following rate structure and rules shall become effective with water and sewer bills issued at the beginning of April for payment by April 15, 2015

Residential – Single Family	\$24.00 Base
Residential – Multiple Occupancy	\$36.00 Base with 5,000 gallon grace \$2.750/1,000 gallons for the next 10,000 gallons \$1.925/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$1.335/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$0.100/1,000 gallons for all remaining gallons
Commercial	\$24.00 Base with 5,000 gallon grace \$2.750/1,000 gallons for the first 10,000 gallons \$1.925/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$1.335/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$0.100/1,000 gallons for all remaining gallons
Commercial/Industrial - High Volume Sewer Use (consistently maintains water usage of 70,000+ gallons per month over the calendar year)	\$36.00/Base with 5,000 gallon grace \$2.750/1,000 gallons for the first 10,000 gallons \$1.925/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$1.335/1,000 gallons for the next 15,000 gallons \$0.943/1,000 gallons for all remaining gallons
Sewer Only - Outside City	Limits \$36.00 Base

Dated this 17th day of February 2015.

/s/
Rick Gustad
Mayor of Platte, South Dakota

/s/
Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer

NEW BUSINESS.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 334 – Snow Removal Amendment: Finance Officer Meyerink presented Ordinance No. 334 amending Chapter 10-4. **Councilmember Foxley moved and Boltjes seconded giving first reading to Ordinance No. 334 Amendment to Chapter 10-4 Snow & Ice Removal. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.**

ORDINANCE NO. 334

An ordinance entitled “AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 10-4 SNOW & ICE REMOVAL” of the revised ordinances and code of the City of Platte, South Dakota, which ordinance shall read as follows:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PLATTE, SOUTH DAKOTA,
THAT CHAPTER 10-4 ENTITLED "SNOW & ICE REMOVAL" OF
THE REVISED ORDINANCES AND CODE OF THE CITY OF
PLATTE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

10-4-5 MUNICIPAL REMOVAL OF SNOW; PRIVATE SNOW REMOVAL.

The responsibility for ordering personnel and equipment into service for a winter maintenance operation shall be primarily with the City Street Superintendent or his designee. The City Mayor may also direct the Street Department to commence winter maintenance operations. The City Finance Officer shall receive all complaints regarding snow/ice removal and forward same to the City Street Superintendent during normal business hours. The City reserves the right to engage a private contractor for snow/ice removal if the circumstances warrant such action and only upon the approval of such action by the City Council.

Plowing of snow/ice as used in this chapter shall mean the moving of snow/ice evenly to each side of the street, but may also include loading and trucking the snow/ice to a point of non-environmental concern. Plowing shall commence as the Street Superintendent or his designee shall direct. The priority of snow/ice removal services and the manner in which said services shall be performed by the City shall be as set forth in the policy for snow/ice removal enacted by the City.

All snow/ice removed from private property, private driveways or private sidewalks shall be deposited or disposed of in such a manner that it does not interfere with the use of the City streets, avenues, alleyways, sidewalks or other areas designated for vehicular or pedestrian travel. Further, due to the dangerous conditions which can develop due to improper removal of snow/ice from private property, no snow/ice removed from private property shall be deposited, placed, blown, carried, or otherwise disposed of in or on the public streets, alleys, avenues, roadways, or sidewalks. The aforesaid prohibition, however, shall not apply to the sidewalk areas on Main Street between South Dakota Highway 44 and Third Street nor to the sidewalk areas one block east and one block west of Main Street between South Dakota Highway 44 and Third Street.

Any person who violates this provision shall be subject to the penalties set forth in this chapter and, in addition to said penalties, the City shall be entitled to assess and recover from the owner or occupier of the violating property the costs associated with removal of the wrongfully disposed snow and/or ice. Such costs shall include, but not be limited to, the hourly rate for the use of the specific snow/ice removal equipment and the operator thereof which is standard and customary in the snow/ice removal industry.

10-4-6 PENALTY; CIVIL LIABILITY

Any person who fails to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter, as revised and amended, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon a conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine which shall not exceed \$500. In addition to the penalty set forth herein and any other provisions of this chapter, any person who violates the provisions of this chapter shall be liable to the City for any damages, costs, expenses, or disbursements incurred by the City to remedy the violation or to repair any property owned by the City which may have been damaged by the neglect to remove snow and/or ice as provided herein.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, recording, and publication as provided by law.

Passed on first reading: 2-2-2015
Voting for passage: 6
Voting against passage: 0
Absent: 0

Passed on second reading: 2-17-2015
Voting for passage: 5
Voting against passage: 0
Absent: 1

Date of Adoption: 2-17-2015
Date of Publication: 2-26-2015

/s/
Rick Gustad, Mayor

Attest:
/s/
Shauna Meyerink, Finance Officer

Resolution No. 02172015-02 - Mitigation Plan: Finance Officer Meyerink presented Resolution No. 02172015-02 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for council approval. Mayor Gustad stated he attended several meetings regarding the pre-disaster plan. **Councilmember Boltjes moved and Hoppe seconded to approve Resolution No. 02172015-02 Mitigation Plan.**

RESOLUTION No. 02172015-02

A resolution of the City Council of Platte declaring its support for, and adoption of, the Charles Mix County Multi-Jurisdiction Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.

WHEREAS a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for Charles Mix County (the Plan) has been developed; and

WHEREAS the City of Platte participated in the development of the Plan; and

WHEREAS the Plan will be used as a disaster mitigation planning tool as deemed appropriate by the Platte City Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Platte City Council hereby adopts and supports the Plan, and will take action to ensure that the Plan is implemented.

Adopted and approved this 17th day of February 2015.

SIGNED: /s/
Mr. Rick Gustad, Mayor, City of Platte

ATTEST: /s/
Shauna Meyerink, City Finance Officer

Executive Session: Councilmember Overweg motioned to enter into executive session at 8:31 p.m. for the discussion of City personnel. Motion seconded by Councilmember Antonsen. Motion carried on voice vote of 5-0. Mayor Gustad declared an end to executive session at 8:48 p.m. Councilmember Hoppe motioned to extend Justin Boltjes probationary period until June 1, 2015. Motion seconded by Councilmember Antonsen. Motion carried on voice vote of 5-0.

Executive Session: Councilmember Antonsen motioned and Boltjes seconded to enter into executive session at 8:50p.m. for the discussion of litigation. Motion carried on voice vote. Mayor Gustad declared an end to the executive session at 9:06 p.m. Councilmember Boltjes motioned to accept the sum of \$374.86 as full payment of the judgment held by the City. Councilmember Lang seconded the motion. Motion carried on voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Hoppe moved and Antonsen seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Rick Gustad
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer