

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

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

AGENDA.

MINUTES.

Councilmember Lang moved and Boltjes seconded to approve the August 3rd regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote.

REPORTS.

Mayor and Councilmembers: No report.

Platte Development Corporation: Executive Director Karen Lang of the PDC was present to thank the council for their continued support. Lang reported on several activities the PDC has been working on: 1) There were nine requests for information completed. 2) A feasibility study was completed on needs for Platte. 3) The museum has moved out of the PDC fund but the cemetery and daycare still remain. 4) Some grant assistance has been done. 5) Worked on some fundraising and continue to research grant opportunities for the swimming pool fundraising committee.

Finance Officer. Finance Officer Meyerink reported on the following topics: 1) The July financial report was submitted to the council. 2) The street sweeper was sent to everyone on the SDML mail serve. A few inquiries have already come in. 3) Meyerink will be in Wagner on August 26th for DMR training. 4) A couple of applications have went out for the vacant maintenance department position. Application deadline is set for Monday, August 31st. 5) The pool will close on Saturday, August 22nd for the season.

Police Department. Police Chief Semmler presented the following report for the month of July 2015.

AGE RELATED ISSUES

JUVENILE CONTACTS	Nos.	ADULT CONTACTS	Nos.
Verbal Warnings	1	Verbal Warnings	19
Written Warnings	0	Written Warnings	0
Written Citations (1 stop)	0	Written Citations	1
Traffic Complaints Received	0	Traffic Complaints Received	1
Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	1	Total Traffic Stops (Non-Alcohol)	21
Open Container Citations	0		
Underage Tobacco	0	DWI Arrests	0
DWI Arrests	0	Open Container Warnings	0
Underage Consumption (-18)	0	Open Container Citations	0
Underage Consumption (+18)	0	Field Sobriety Tests Only	1
Total Alcohol Related Contacts	0	Total Alcohol Related Contacts	1

NON-AGE DELINEATED CONTACTS

Property Related Issues	Nos.	Family Violence	Nos.
Vehicle Accidents	3	Complaints	1
Warrant Arrests	0	Arrests	0
Burglary Complaints	0	Protective Custody	0
Drug Reports/Complaints	1	Domestic Violence Calls	0
Welfare Checks	1	Dog Issues	
Mental Health Committals	0	Complaints	3
Theft Reports	2	Dogs Captured	3
Vandalism Reports	0	Dogs Terminated	0
Grand Theft	0	Owners Warned	3
Assaults	1	Owners Issued Tickets	0
Other Complaints/Misc. Calls	67	Dog Bite	0
Other Arrests	0	Other Animals – Complaints	3
911 Calls	3	Terminated	1

GENERAL OPERATIONS STATISTICS

Miles Driven on 2011 Dodge	1865	Ambulance Assists	0
Miles Driven on Ford Interceptor	1540	Community Service Performed	0
Time Vehicle Out of Service	0	Training Sessions Attended	0
Hours Spent in Court	5	Business Alarms	0
Funeral Escorts	4	Motorist Assists	4

Chief Semmler also reported on the following topics: 1) Thanked the council for allowing him the opportunity to work at the Sturgis Rally again this year. Semmler stated he had checked in daily with Officer Sarne. 2) Semmler questioned the council on their thoughts and direction on allowing transient vendors and tourist passing through to camp in the City parks as requests have been received this summer. Mayor Christensen stated the council had allowed them to camp in the parks in the past but they had to check in with the officer on duty. Council directed Semmler to use a judgment call on each individual asking permission to camp in the parks.

Public Works. Superintendent Kuiper reported on the following topics: 1) The new street sweeper has arrived. 2) As of Wednesday, August 12th the summer help was done. 3) In preparation for chip and seal, some patch work on the streets has been done and some still to be done. They are using hot mix for street patching and repairs as the cold mix was not adhering to the streets like it was suppose to. 4) Lead and copper samples have been collected and submitted. 5) A sample has been collected and submitted to request permission to discharge. 6) HR Green has completed the man-hole inspections. Kuiper and HR Green have been on the phone developing a plan. A composite sampler will be set up as it will be mailed on Wednesday, August 19th. 7) The leased mule for the landfill has been returned and the City is eligible for another unit for 2016. Kuiper reported that in the wish list of the 2016 budget money was requested to purchase a new mule. 8) Councilmember Overweg questioned the policy of maintaining alleys in the City. Kuiper stated it is typically a block effort of the homeowners. If the alley is in poor shape, the maintenance department may occasionally blade an alley but typically stay out of them.

PUBLIC FORUM.

BUILDING PERMITS.

CLAIMS.

Finance Officer Meyerink requested the addition of \$1,133.94 payable to BW Insurance Agency, Inc. to amend the CNA Surety bond to a four year term and for the special events policy for fireworks.

Councilmember Hoppe motioned to approve all claims with the addition of the BW Insurance Agency claim of \$1,133.94 for a total of \$14,263.98. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lang. Motion carried on roll call vote of 5-0. (Attached as separate document)

OLD BUSINESS.

Curb & Gutter Sunset Acres: Finance Officer Meyerink explained that Chad Johnson had requested this be added on the agenda. Johnson was unable to attend the meeting therefore no action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS.

Advertise for Garbage and LP Quotes: Councilmember Lang moved and Hoppe seconded to advertise for garbage and LP quotes with quotes due in the office of the City Finance Officer by Thursday, September 3rd at 5:00 p.m.; quotes to be awarded at the September 8th meeting. Motion carried on voice vote.

Second Reading of Supplemental Ordinance No. 335: Finance Officer Meyerink presented the Supplemental Ordinance No. 335, supplementing the Streets department of the General Fund by \$168,232.00 from undesignated funds for the purchase of a 2015 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper. **Councilmember Lang motioned to give second reading to Supplemental Ordinance No. 335, supplementing the General Fund by \$168,232.00 from General Fund undesignated funds for the purchase of a 2015 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper. Motion seconded by Councilmember Boltjes. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0.**

Aerial Applicators Agreement: Finance Officer Meyerink presented an aerial applicators agreement. Following council discussion, the fee will be lowered to \$250.00 annually. A copy of the agreement can be obtained in the City Finance office. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to approve the Aerial Applicators Agreement for the Platte Airport with an annual fee of \$250.00. Motion carried on voice vote.**

Nuisance Property: Finance Officer Meyerink informed the council that several complaints were received regarding the property at 220 South Indiana. The Health Board reviewed the property and determined it a nuisance. A letter has been sent to the homeowner regarding the condition of the property and outlining the nuisances. Finance Officer Meyerink then requested the council make a motion to authorize City Attorney Tim Whalen to engage in legal actions to abate the nuisance. **Councilmember Lang motioned to authorize City Attorney Tim Whalen to engage in any legal actions deemed necessary and appropriate to abate the nuisance of the property located at 220 South Indiana Avenue, Platte, SD. Seconded by Councilmember Boltjes. Motion carried on voice vote.**

2016 State Water Plan: The City submitted an application to the state water plan in 2014. With the recent changes to the plan of action with the assistance of HR Green, the city now needs to redirect the current state water plan funds. With the upcoming smoke tests, man hole inspections, jetting and televising of the sewer system, and collecting composite samples at the lagoon, the City will be able to determine if the lagoons are hydraulically overloaded. Because the City is only changing the course of action, it should not affect the compliance schedule. **Councilmember Hoppe moved and Lang seconded to approve HR Green to transfer sixteen excess hours from manhole inspection hours to the updating and submitting of the revised state water plan by the October 1st deadline. Motion carried on voice vote.** Council discussed the need to adjust sewer rates based on the compliance schedule. Councilmember Overweg stated he did not want to raise rates but understand the need to. To begin the process and not take such a large increase at once, council determined the following rate increase appropriate. **Councilmember Lang motioned to**

approve Resolution #08172015-01. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hoppe. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0.

**CITY OF PLATTE
RESOLUTION NO. 08172015-01**

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 February 2015 regarding the base rate only and price per gallon, 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 September for payment by October 15, 2015

Residential – Single Family	\$35.00 Base
Residential – Multiple Occupancy	\$45.00 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	\$35.00 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)	\$45.00/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	\$45.00 Base

Dated this 17th day of August 2015.

/s/
Steve Christensen
Mayor of Platte, South Dakota

/s/
Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer

Executive Session:

COUNCIL COMMENTS. There being no further business before the City Council, **Lang moved and Boltjes seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Motion passed on voice vote.**

DATED: _____

By: _____
Steve Christensen
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shauna Meyerink
City Finance Officer