

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The City Council of the City of Volga, SD met for a regular meeting Monday, September 21, 2020 at 12:04PM at the Community Center; Mayor Randy Santema presiding. Members present: Ken Fideler, Jody Havrevold, Nichole Hofer, Matt Jaquet, and Kelly VanderWal. Members absent: Doug Wermedal. Also present: City Attorney Steve Britzman, City Administrator Jameson Berreth, Deputy Finance Officer Mary Ries, and Kathi Granum with the Volga Tribune.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Fideler made a motion to approve the consent agenda. VanderWal seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The following items were on the consent agenda: Approval of September 21, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda, Approval of September 8, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, Approval of Resolution 2020-19 – Blending & Consumption – Ramirez, and Approval of Resolution 2020-19 – Blending & Consumption – Gallardo.

Community Development

Discussion was held on the Industrial Park project and the possibility of funding the remainder of the infrastructure costs with Tax Increment Financing (TIF). The estimated cost of the total project is \$1.4 million. A \$500,000 grant was approved through the SD GOED and \$400,000 is expected from the sale of the lots, which leaves \$500,000 that would need to be funded through other sources. The VDC would like to acquire the land this fall to allow for construction to begin next spring. The VDC would do the recruiting of the businesses and sale of lots. There will be 7 total lots varying in size from $\frac{3}{4}$ acre to $2\frac{1}{4}$ acres. Council expressed support for the project and directed staff to begin putting together documents to create a TIF district. No action was taken.

Berreth also mentioned that at the first council meeting of the month an update will be given on how many building permits were issued in the city for the previous month.

Public Safety

No Report.

Electric

No Report.

Public Works

Berreth gave an update on the Industrial Drive road construction project.

Parks, Recreation, and Buildings

No Report.

Finance & Economic Development

Fideler made a motion to approve the third and final reading of **Ordinance 2020-06** – 2021 Budget Appropriations. VanderWal seconded the motion. Discussion was held. No changes were made since the second reading. On roll call: Fideler, Yes; Havrevold, Yes; Hofer, Yes; Jaquet, Yes; VanderWal, Yes. Motion carried. This ordinance is published separately in the September 24, 2020 issue of the Volga Tribune.

Berreth gave an update on the request from NorthWestern Energy to purchase a perpetual utility easement for the purpose of a gas regulatory station located near the corner of Washington Road and Caspian Avenue. Fideler made a motion to authorize the Mayor and city staff to sign a perpetual utility easement for NorthWestern Energy's gas regulatory station. Hofer seconded the motion. Discussion was held. On roll call: Havrevold, Yes; Hofer, Yes; Jaquet, Yes; VanderWal, Yes; Fideler, Yes. Motion carried.

Fideler made a motion to approve the following claims and ordered them paid. Jaquet seconded the motion.
All in favor; motion carried.

EFTPS	\$1,053.99	Payroll Tax
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EFTPS	\$326.46	Payroll Tax
EFTPS	\$200.00	Payroll Tax
EFTPS	\$27.80	Payroll Tax
EFTPS	\$6.50	Payroll Tax
HEARTLAND CONSUMERS POWER DIS.	\$5,834.00	Loan Principle (pymt 11)
PAYMENT SERVICE NETWORK	\$136.65	Monthly E-Payment Fees
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SOUTH DAKOTA DEPT. OF REVENUE	\$25,137.75	Sales Tax
VOLGA POSTMASTER	\$269.82	September Bulk Billing
AFLAC	\$580.41	premiums
AMERIPRIDE SERVICES INC	\$365.27	cleaning supplies
BANKSTAR FINANCIAL - VOLGA	\$34,811.87	Loan # 2154656 Payment for 2020
BOWES CONST.	\$251.10	asphalt for street repairs
BROOKINGS AREA UNITED WAY	\$81.00	monthly contributions
CALEB CHAVERS	\$78.46	meter deposit refund
CAROL RISTY	\$120.39	meter deposit refund
CASEY JACOBS	\$222.88	meter deposit refund
CHRISTINE BOYLE	\$175.79	meter deposit refund
CITY OF VOLGA	\$12,814.81	utilities
COOK S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING,	\$9,529.17	monthly services
CORE & MAIN	\$441.60	water treatment supplies
COURTESY PLUMBING	\$8.70	repair parts
DAKOTALAND FEDERAL CR. UNION	\$2,756.09	licensing, fire dept & office supplies, pitching machine
DAVES WINDOW CLEANING, INC.	\$52.00	window cleaning
DGR	\$1,994.65	professional services
DOLLAR GENERAL REGIONS 410526	\$5.95	office supplies
DYLAN DEAVY	\$157.75	meter deposit refund
EAST RIVER	\$12,104.41	electric pole repairs, 08.2020 transmission service
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP	\$2,656.29	chemicals
HEARTLAND CONSUMERS POWER DIS.	\$344,077.72	August Electric
JACOB WALDNER	\$155.27	meter deposit refund
KEITH TARBOX	\$180.05	meter deposit refund
LINDA M. HARTE	\$144.80	meter deposit refund
RADIO TIME BILLING	\$322.00	first responders salute
REMIND101, INC.	\$732.00	park & rec/pool program
SD DENR	\$100.00	application fee - watermain improvements
SHARON PAPIERNIK	\$187.37	meter deposit refund
SMITHIES HOTSHOT SERVICE LLC	\$161.84	meter deposit refund
STURDEVANT S AUTO SUPPLY	\$308.46	shop supplies, fire truck filters
SWEENEY CONTROLS COMPANY	\$3,300.00	10/1/20 - 09/30/21 Insight subscription
TABIN ELMORE	\$17.81	meter deposit refund
TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC	\$664.98	fire dept supplies
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	\$279.99	global search
VALLEY FIBERCOM	\$349.58	Acct 1039900 telephone & internet services
VALLEY FITNESS	\$158.00	monthly contributions
WESCO	\$1,712.00	metering parts

WESTERN AREA POWER ADMIN.
FIX IT SHOP - LOCKSMITH

\$21,463.67 08.2020 Power Service
\$62.00 new shop keys

Topics for Future Discussion

Berreth mentioned that the new storage building was open for those that wanted to walk through after the meeting, Volga's state legislators will attend the first meeting in October and a tour of the completed WWTF will happen after the 2nd meeting in October.

Fideler made a motion to adjourn at 12:47PM. Hofer seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

s/Randy Santema, Mayor, City of Volga

s/Mary Ries, Deputy Finance Officer, City of Volga