

MINUTES OF MENNO CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
March 7, 2022

Mayor Darrell Mehlhaf called the city council to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 7, 2022 in the finance office at city hall. Council answering roll call: George Cokens, Ron Diede, Jerry Fischer, John Huber, Jacob Mettler and Scott Simonsen. Finance Officer Lisa Edelman, Police Chief Michael Hofeldt, Superintendent Anthony Cokens, Heather Broehm and Amber Cross were also present.

Agenda: Huber moved to elevator property and to approve the agenda as amended. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

REGULAR MEETING ITEMS: Minutes: Simonsen moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 regular meeting. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Finance Report: Diede moved to approve the February finance report. Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

	General	Restricted GO Bond	Water	Sewer	Restricted GO Bond Ph 1 Sewer Surchg	Restricted Rural Dev Ph 2 Sewer Surchg	Restricted Perpetual Care	Totals
Checking Balance 1/28/22	579,076.51	69,903.28	2,477.80	144,920.51	59,972.70	20,950.50	1,052.86	878,354.16
Warrants:	(36,431.58)		(7,736.77)	(3,356.52)		(3,077.00)		(50,601.87)
JE Adjustment –February 2022	212.98		(705.22)	224.90	131.58	135.76		0.00
Receipts:	25,721.36	451.75	8,676.53	7,702.96	2,318.42	3,014.24		47,885.26
Interest:	44.39	5.48	.21	18.15				68.23
Checking Balance 2/25/22	568,623.66	70,360.51	2,712.55	149,510.00	62,422.70	21,023.50	1,052.86	875,705.78
Profit or (Loss) for the month	(10,452.85)	457.23	234.75	4,589.49	2,450.00	73.00	0.00	(2,648.38)

Council Financial Review: The council reviewed the bank statements, credit card invoices, bank reconciliation, automatic withdrawals, receipts and checks written during the month of February.

Warrants: Fischer moved to approve the following warrants. Huber seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

WARRANTS APPROVED: Council 606.46; Mayor 207.79; Finance 1934.66; Buildings 75.63; Police 3326.91; Street 2665.61; Garbage 30.78; Cemetery 161.61; Ambulance 300.99; Library 326.92; Development 247.49; Water 1253.50; Sewer 1253.53; Aflac, insurance 224.10; Wellmark BCBS, group insurance 6474.16; VSP, vision insurance 57.70; SDRS, retirement 1822.26; SDSRP, supplemental retirement 130.00; EFTPS, payroll taxes 3530.58. **Utilities:** NorthWestern Energy, electricity & gas 4301.05; Golden West, phone 410.05; Verizon Wireless, police cell phone 26.79; SD State Treasurer, sales tax 277.87; USDA, Phase 2 sewer loan pmt 3077.00; Barnes & Noble, library books 180.74; Bertsch Law Office, legal services 25.00; B-Y Water, water 3590.90; Cardmember Service, supplies 480.78; City of Menno, utilities 588.24; Dakota Supply, water supplies 979.48; Dept of Health, samples 15.00; Michael Hofeldt, police conference 87.51; Klautd Service, fuel-supplies 596.40; Lorie Lehr, library supplies 40.00; Matheson Tri-Gas, amb supplies 57.31; Menno Lumber, supplies 540.99; Myer’s Sanitation, 280 residential 3920.00; Petty Cash, supplies 67.36; Principal Life, group ins. 967.92; SEAFOG, dues 40.00; SDML, district iii meeting 104.00; SCPI, publishing 184.60; SD One Call, locates 3.36; Total Stop, police fuel 31.63; Tyndall Napa, street supplies 17.28; Vantek, fire radio repair 293.00.

Police Report: Mettler moved to approve the police report. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye. Call of a possible suicidal subject, break in at Total Stop, gas drive off at Klautd Service, arrest for possession of a controlled substance and dog complaint.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS: SEFP Facilitator: Heather Broehm introduced herself to the council and explained what SEFP can do for the Menno community.

Elevator Property: Mayor Mehlhaf updated the council on all the avenues he has explored to try to have the elevator a viable business again. He informed the council that the facility is too small for the large trucks that are used to haul grain. He suggested that the contents be sold off and the property cleaned up.

Sewer: There was some discussion regarding the sewer line in the alley to the Beer Garden. Huber moved to consider abandoned sewer lines as abandoned when replacing the pipe. Simonsen seconded the motion. All votes aye.

NEW BUSINESS: Equalization meeting: Huber moved to hold the equalization meeting on Monday, March 21 at 6:00 p.m. Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Spring clean-up: Huber moved to have spring clean-up day on Monday, April 25. Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Garbage Contract: Cokens moved to renew the current garbage contract with Myers Sanitation for another three year period. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Annual Report: Fischer moved to accept the 2021 annual report. Simonsen seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Police Chiefs' meeting: Huber moved to pay the registration and related expenses for Chief Hofeldt to attend the Police Chiefs' meeting in Deadwood April 19-21. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

New Fireman: Mettler moved to recognize Dominick Lehr as a new volunteer fireman. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Sweeping Contract: Diede moved to approve a contract between the City and the SD DOT for sweeping curb and gutter on US Hwy 18 milepost 394.0 to 395.0 in the City of Menno and US Hwy 18 milepost 389.5 to 390.0 in Olivet. The total amount of the contract is 25 hours for a total amount of \$2000.00. Fischer seconded the motion. All votes aye.

1st Reading – Wards: Simonsen moved to give 1st reading of ordinance 2022-1, an ordinance to revise the number of signers required for a nominating petition and boundaries for wards within the City of Menno. Huber seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Executive Session: Fischer moved to enter into executive session at 8:08 p.m. for personnel according to SDCL 1-25-2(1). Mettler seconded the motion. All votes aye.

Mayor Mehlhaf declared out of executive session at 8:17 p.m. No action taken.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be Monday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Huber moved to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. Simonsen seconded the motion. All votes aye.

ATTEST:

CITY OF MENNO, SOUTH DAKOTA

Lisa Edelman, Finance Officer

Darrell J Mehlhaf, Mayor

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