

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF
WATERTOWN, SOUTH DAKOTA**

January 17, 2017

The City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 23 2nd Street NE. Mayor Steve Thorson presiding. Present upon roll call: Aldermen Rieffenberger, Roby, Buhler, Vilhauer, Albertsen, Danforth, Thorson, Tupper and Alderwoman Mantey. Absent was Alderman Solum.

Mayor Thorson removed the Goss Opera House from the list of items sent to collections. Motion by Danforth, seconded by Rieffenberger, to approve the following items on the consent agenda as amended: minutes of the Council Meeting held on January 3, 2017; approval to write-off uncollectible accounts receivable and remit to collection agency; authorization to advertise for bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester Rehabilitation project; authorization to advertise for bids for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project; authorization for the Mayor to sign an annual UPS service maintenance agreement for E-911 with Eaton Corporation and authorization for the Mayor to sign an annual maintenance agreement with Grabar Voice and Data for the NICE NRX Recorder in E-911 . Motion carried as amended.

Motion by Vilhauer, seconded by Mantey, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 16-28 amending Section 14.0209 regarding prohibited injury to public trees to clarify its inapplicability to nuisance tree trimming requirements was placed on its second reading and the title was read. Motion by Tupper, seconded by Danforth, to approve Ordinance No. 16-28 as presented. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 16-29 amending Section 14.0704 regarding inspection of Dutch Elm disease infections was placed on its first reading and the title was read. No action taken.

Ordinance No. 17-01 amending Chapter 21.70 of the revised Ordinance of the City of Watertown regarding home occupations was placed on its first reading and the title was read. No action taken.

Ordinance No. 17-04 amending Section 10.0202 of the revised Ordinance of the City of Watertown to clarify procedure for modifications (variances) to the fire code was placed on its first reading and the title was read. No action taken.

Motion by Buhler, seconded by Albertsen, to approve Resolution No. 17-01 providing for the classification and salaries of certain City of Watertown employees and officers for the period commencing January 1, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Tupper, seconded by Mantey, to approve Resolution No. 17-02 providing for the classification and salary guidelines of certain City of Watertown employees for the period commencing January 1, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Vilhauer, seconded by Buhler, authorizing the Mayor to sign an amended purchase agreement with Delores J. Cook to purchase 5 acres of land adjacent to the Watertown Landfill in the amount of \$40,500; paragraph number four was changed to state that all property taxes for 2017 and 2018 will be paid by the seller. Motion carried as amended.

Motion by Tupper, seconded by Danforth, authorizing the Mayor to sign Contract Amendment No. 1 to the contract with Houston Engineering for the Landfill Cell #6 construction project increasing the contract amount \$57,196. Motion carried.

Motion by Mantey, seconded by Buhler, authorizing the Mayor to sign a professional services contract with Houston Engineering Inc. for engineering services for the 2017 Re-Permitting Application project in the amount of \$22,946. Motion carried.

Tabulation of bids received for the City Hall/Community Restrooms Cleaning Contract. Bids were opened at 10:00 AM on January 10, 2017 and are as follows: Leons Cleaning \$2,605.00/mo for City Hall and \$761.00/mo for restrooms, \$3,366.00/mo total bid; ServiceMaster \$1,880.00/mo for City Hall and \$520.00/mo for restrooms,

\$2,400.00/mo total bid and Supreme Pro Clean LLC No bid for City Hall and No bid for restrooms, \$2,350.00/mo total bid. Motion by Buhler, seconded by Albertsen, to approve the bid of ServiceMaster in the amount of \$520.00/mo for the restrooms and reject the bid for City Hall based on pricing. Motion carried.

Motion by Rieffenberger, seconded by Danforth, to approve Change Order No. 2 (final) to the contract with Jeff Argo Excavating for the Big Sioux River Weir Breach Project increasing the contract amount \$2,513.56. Motion carried.

Motion by Mantey, seconded by Rieffenberger, to reject the previous bid award for the Dodge Durango's for the Watertown Police Department on January 3, 2017 due to not meeting bid specifications and accept the next low bid meeting all specifications of Watertown Ford for 4 Ford Explorers \$29,225.00/each total bid for a total purchase of \$116,900.00. Motion carried with Tupper recused.

Motion by Tupper, seconded by Buhler, to adjourn until 7:00 PM on Monday, February 6, 2017. Motion carried.

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Dated at Watertown, South Dakota, the 17th day of January, 2017.

ATTEST:

Rochelle Ebbers, CPA
Finance Officer

Steve Thorson
Mayor