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SAWYER PUBLIC SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO 16
SAWYER, NORTH DAKOTA
November 21st 2024
School Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m. by Vice President Seth Berman. Also present, board members Barb Jandl, Correen Jones, and Mandy Vigness. Wayne Trottier, Superintendent, Heather Ell, Principal, and Patti Syverson, Business Manager. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The agenda was previewed.

M/S/C: Jones/Jandl to accept the Consent Agenda

1. Business Manager's Reports
2. Approval of the September 17th Minutes
3. Approval of Bills
 - a. Prepaid Bills – \$52,400.01
 - b. Board Bills - \$11,796.07
 - c. Visa Bills - \$10,014.62

OLD BUSINESS:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

High School Ranking

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Enrollment Report: Total enrollment K-12: 84 students as of Oct. 15, 2024
- Elementary = 44 students (does NOT include 9 Pre-K or 2 home school students)
 - PK= 9, K=12, 1=5, 2=5 (+1 HS), 3=10, 4=6 (+1 HS), 5=6
 - Middle School = 21 students (does NOT include 1 home school)
 - 6=5 (+1 HS), 7=7, 8=9
 - o High School = 21 students
 - 9=10, 10=2, 11=6, 12=3
 - Special Education Strategist Case Load = 20 + 1 in assessment
 - Speech/Language Caseload = 14 students
 - Playground Update
 - Complete and paid for...

- Building Updates
- Carpet and lighting – Pre-K room (grant funded)
- Gym Floor proposal
- TSI Identification (Elementary)
- Problem statement identified.

Changes in practice are underway.

- Upcoming events:
 - Turkey Bingo: Thursday, November 21st at 5:45 pm
 - Musical: Saturday, December 7th at 1:00 pm
 - Christmas Concert: Thursday, December 12th at 7:00 pm
- NEW BUSINESS

1. Policy ACEA Bullying Policy – Update-1st Reading

M/S/C: Vigness/Berman to waive the 2nd reading and approve Policy ACEA Bullying Policy Update.

Calendar: Next meeting will be Tuesday, December 17th at 6 p.m. in the conference room.

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Tim Folden, School Board President
Patti Syverson, Business Manager
12/26/2024

VELVA REGULAR
COMMISSION MEETING
December 16, 2024
7:00pm Velva City Hall

Velva City Commission meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Commission President Mike Schreiner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call: Mike Schreiner – Commission President, Street/Finance; Dave Keller – Vice President, Police Commissioner (including Cemetery oversight); Mary Liz Davis – Police/Finance Commissioner; Ben Zietz – Water/Sewer Commissioner; Gene Jenson– Commissioner of Streets/

Improvements (including Cemetery oversight); Kerry Wyche– City Deputy Auditor; Emma Lavachek, Alan Walter, Brian Julius – Ackerman-Estvold Engineering and Heather Tudor – Velva Area Voice.

Motion by Davis/Keller to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2024 regular meeting. Roll Call: All-aye; motion carried.

PAYROLL & BILLS: Davis/Zietz made a motion to approve the bills paid and bills to be paid in the amount of \$63,384.41 and Payroll for \$39,772.48. Roll Call: All-aye; motion carried. (4K excavating, LLC \$15,000.00, Ackerman-Estvold \$90.00, Acme Tools \$499.00, American Welding & Gas \$129.91, B&G Electric \$3051.36, BAG LLC \$77.19, Black Mtn. Software \$18,063.20, Butler Machinery Co. \$46.11, Circle Control Systems \$ 2132.14, Circle Sanitation \$7126.50, Domain Directory LLC \$288.00, Enerbase \$63.87, Ferguson \$6732.00, 1st District Health \$60.00, Gaffaneys \$1385.00, Hartford Fire Ins. Co. \$1162.00, IHRY \$458.00, Kevin's Plumbing & Heating \$110.00, Maria Thex \$299.37, McGee Hankla Backes PC \$779.00, Morellis Distributing \$64.20, Mouse River Oil \$618.47, NAPA Auto Parts \$456.04, North Country Sportswear \$101.25, One Call \$2.35, Ottetail Power \$3440.34, Pamela Jemtrud 450.00, Runnings \$128.33, SRT \$570.78.

Reports of The President/Finance & Street Commissioner Schreiner gave the police report numbers for November. Schreiner asked for a "follow up" with the police department to see if a dog that bit a resident has been removed from city limits.

Reports of Officers, Boards, Committees Commissioner Keller: Keller stated that some residents complained that the signs for the speed bump (Central Ave. E) and no Jake brakes (on Hwy 52) were too small. Keller also mentioned he has seen coyotes running through his yard. Schriener suggested Keller to call the Game & Fish Department.

Commissioner Davis: Davis saw a trailer parked on the street that was not hooked up to a vehicle (Ordinance violation). The owner was contacted and fixed the issue.

Commissioner Zietz: Zietz received quotes from several places selling dump trailers to haul mowers, skid steers, etc. Jenson/Zietz made a motion allocating \$15,000.00 towards the purchase of a dump trailer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jenson: Jenson had nothing to discuss.

Engineer's Report: Alan Walter informed the Commission this would be his last meeting. Walter stated bids for the 41-bridge project were opened Dec. 6, 2024. No bids were turned in for the project. The plan is to redo the bridge and reshape the river to handle

extra water. Walter stated he does not have a date when the bridge project will be completed, but the entire project will be finished by 2030. Emma Lavachek stated she was surprised Velva did not receive a bridge bid. Lavachek discussed the Master Lift Station reimbursements and when Velva would receive repayment.

Auditor's Report: None
Assessor/Building Inspector: None
Public Works Report: None
Introduction & Adoption of Resolutions/Ordinances: No ordinances to discuss.

Personal Appearances: No personal appearances were present.

Unfinished Business: Appliance dump has been extended; collections are still being made at the drop off location if anyone needs to dispose of any appliances/metal.

New Business: None
Adjournment: With no other business to discuss, Schreiner adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

The next Commission Meeting will be Tuesday, January 21 at 7:00pm. If you would like to be on the next agenda, the deadline is Thursday at noon before a meeting.

Minutes are Subject to Amendment and Approval

Mike Schreiner,
Commission President
Kerry Wyche, Deputy Auditor
12/26/2024



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had received any master lift station reimbursements.

There was a very brief mention of a building permit from Elizabeth Colby, but it's outside of city limits.

Jenny Johns reported that the appliance dump is working well where it is right now, with residents coming to City Hall to ask for a key, so that will continue as is or until the fire hall says they can't do that anymore.

Lastly, there was mention that the new person that was hired for the Public Works #3 position will start

on Monday, which is a little earlier than originally expected.

If you wish to attend the next City Commission meeting, the next meeting will be January 20, 2025 at 7:00pm at the Velva City Hall. If you wish to be on the agenda, the deadline for that meeting will be 12 noon on the Thursday before the Monday meeting.



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