

**CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY**  
**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
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A meeting of the City Council of the City of South Sioux City, Nebraska, was held at the South Sioux City Council Chambers, 1615 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in said City on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024, at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Rod Koch and Council Members Jasper Kriens, James Gunsolley, Dan Bousquet, Carol Schuldt, Rick Bousquet, Ben Schultz and Monty Peters.

Absent: Jason Bowman,

Media in attendance: Dakota County Star. Notice of the proceeding was given in advance thereof by advertising in the Dakota County Star and Mundo Latino attached to these minutes. Notice of the proceedings was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice to the Media, Mayor and Council of this proceeding and was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Koch, stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall in the rear of the Council Chambers and is available for review by citizens in attendance. A sign-in sheet is available at the entrance to Council Chambers. We ask for your assistance by signing in as this is a Federal Grant requirement. It is strictly voluntary to complete the sign-in sheet.

Peters motioned, seconded by D. Bousquet to excuse Jason Bowman from the meeting. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet, Schultz and Peters. Voting No: none

D. Bousquet motioned to approve the following items on the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Gunsolley.

MINUTES: Council – 08.26.2024, Special Council Meeting – 09.04.2024, Public Works – 09.03.2024, Finance – 09.04.2024

CLAIMS – September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Parks and Rec - Quote: Bobcat Telehandlers TL619, standard equipment. Total: \$80,400.00

Sewer plant shed - 10x12 building on a concrete floor \$4,150.00

Amendment of panel replacement contract to include pool parking lot.

Speed limit for West 29<sup>th</sup> Street - speed limit set at 35 miles per hour going both ways from Lake Avenue to Highway 77

Mighty Mo Marathon – September, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14 and 15<sup>th</sup>. Change of area that they are running.

Authorization to purchase a new animal control vehicle - \$19,500.00 using capital Police budget

INVOICES:

- Penro Construction, \$89,382.68, Hovey Phase III (Olsson)
- JEO, \$2,466.00; Well No. 10 relining.
- JEO, \$13,240.00; Foundry Road Improvements.
- JEO, \$8,420.00; Drainage Improvements.
- HDR, \$33,241.73. WWTF Operations Advisory Services.
- HDR, \$396,211.50. Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion.

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet, Schultz and Peters. Voting No: none

Engineers from JEO Consulting Group and Olsson were present to give updates and to answer any question on various projects in the city. No Action taken.

Council member Jim Gunsolley read a Proclamation recognizing the South Sioux City Optimists for their 40 years of great service. Congratulations!!

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Library department head Cicely Douglas and Donna from youth services gave a report on what happened during the summer and how they got the kids involved along with fall projects that they are planning for the kids. Cicely Douglas stated that it is the Libraries accreditation year hoping to be accredited at gold. Future outlook – increase teen engagement, work on digital literacy, local history collection and archiving this collection.

Congratulations to Gene Maffit for 30 years of service with the City of South Sioux City.

Congratulations to Joe Conley for 45 years of service with the City of South Sioux City.

At 5:22 p.m. Mayor Koch opened the PUBLIC HEARING regarding Redevelopment Plan for the Marina Inn Area Redevelopment Project. There was no one present requesting special services or to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed Marina Inn Area Redevelopment Project. At 5:27 p.m. Mayor Koch declared the meeting closed.

R. Bousquet motioned, seconded by Schuldt on the following Resolution.

**RESOLUTION 2024-25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MARING INN AREA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT"

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet, Schultz and Peters.  
Voting No: none

Councilman Ben Schultz left the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

At 5:31 p.m. Mayor Koch opened the PUBLIC HEARING regarding Redevelopment Plan for the Gerkin Drainage Redevelopment Project. There was no one present requesting special services or to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed Gerkin Drainage Redevelopment Project. At 5:32 p.m. Mayor Koch declared the meeting closed.

Residents by Gerkin Windows, Michael and Carla Morgan showed pictures of the Gerkin lights that show into their house and the gate put up by Gerkin across a road, that they cannot access due to the gate. Morgan would like gate taken down and a survey of the road done to know where the property splits. And would like the issue of lights fixed before the redevelopment project continues any further. Morgan would like to see a light pollution ordinance. More discussion needed.

Kriens motioned, seconded by D. Bousquet to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2024-26**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR GERKIN DRAINAGE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT"

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

At 6:02 p.m. Mayor Koch opened the PUBLIC HEARING regarding Redevelopment Plan for the Hans Residential Redevelopment Project. There was no one present requesting special services or to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed Hans Residential Redevelopment Project. At 6:03 p.m. Mayor Koch declared the meeting closed.

Kriens motioned, seconded by R. Bousquet to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2024-27**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR HANS RESIDENTIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT"

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

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Kriens motioned, seconded by Gunsolley to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-28

RESOLUTION TO CARRY FORWARD UNUSED BUDGET AUTHORITY

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

Kriens motioned, seconded by R. Bousquet to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-29

ADDITIONAL 1%

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT (1%)  
INCREASE IN RESTRICTED FUNDS.

Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

The City Attorney read the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2024-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA  
TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL  
APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY  
EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

R. Bousquet introduced Ordinance 2024-15 on its first reading and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Motion Seconded by Peters. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

Kriens motioned for final passage on Ordinance 2024-15 which motion was seconded by D. Bousquet. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

The City Attorney read the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2024 – 14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 18-256 PERTAINING TO  
ADOPTED BY REFERENCE REGARDING NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE;  
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN  
CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING A TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE  
SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

Kriens motioned on second reading of Ordinance 2024-14, motion seconded by Gunsolley. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

The City Attorney read the following Ordinance:

Ordinance 2024-13

Issuance of a Combines Electric, Water and Sewer Revenue Bond  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A COMBINED ELECTRIC, WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BOND, 2024A SERIES, OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TWENTY-TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$22,500,000), IN THE FORM OF A PROMISSORY NOTE ISSUED TO EVIDENCE INDEBTEDNESS TO THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY; APPROVING THE FORM OF SAID BOND (ISSUED AS A SINGLE PROMISSORY NOTE) AND RELATED LOAN CONTRACT; PLEDGING AND HYPOTHECATING THE REVENUES AND EARNINGS OF THE ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, THE WATERWORKS PLANT AND WATER SYSTEM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM OWNED OR TO BE OWNED BY THE CITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID BOND; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SAID BOND; AUTHORIZING THE DELIVERY OF SAID BOND TO THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY; DETERMINING THAT INTEREST ON SAID BOND SHALL NOT BE EXCLUDABLE FROM GROSS INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SAID BOND AND ORDERING THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN PAMPHLET FORM.

Kriens motioned on Ordinance 2024-13 on its third and final reading, motion seconded by Gunsolley. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

The following items were taken off the agenda:

- Sewer plant mower - \$10,000 for the mower (*was not what advertised*)
- Authorization for Fireworks for Miracle league event for 9/11 (*cancelled*)

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Residents of Autumn Olive Lane and Silver Maple Drive were present to ask for help on 2 dogs that reside in their neighborhood that have killed a puppy and bit its owner. Stating that they are afraid to go outside and being hurt by these dogs and afraid to send their own dogs in their backyards because of these dogs. Ms. Peterson and Ms. Doyle will be given a request to be on agenda to bring their concerns to the Council.

Being no further business at 6:26 p.m. Kriens motioned, seconded y Peters to adjourn the meeting. Voting Aye: Kriens, Gunsolley, D. Bousquet, Schuldt, R. Bousquet and Peters. Voting No: none

These minutes are subject to city council approval.

A copy of the minutes in their entirety is available at City Hall, 1615 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Mon.-Fri. 8:00 am-5:00 pm. and on the City's website at [www.southsiouxcity.org](http://www.southsiouxcity.org)

Nanci Walsh CITY Clerk