Wednesday November 13, 2024

The Martin City Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday November 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Library Community Room at 101 Main Street.

Mayor Gary Rayhill called the meeting to order with council members Gloria Claussen, Tootie Moffitt, Larry Gauer, Tyler Nollett, Randy Kocourek, and Warren Peterson, present. Absent, none.

Others present, Mandy Scherer and Chris Doctor with the Bennett County Booster, Bob Fogg, Judd Schomp, Joyce Wilson, BC Sheriff Jason Irwin, BC Deputy Kevin Curtis, Jay Yohner, Lana Trantham, Melissa Slattery, Chris O'Bryan, Samantha Little Eagle, City Foreman Paul Noel, City Attorney Sara Frankenstein by Zoom, and Finance Officer Jean Kirk.

**Approval of Agenda**: Nollett moved to approve the agenda with flexibility. Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes: The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. It was noted that there were a couple of correction needed. The paragraph about poultry in the city limits is to read as follows. "A discussion was held on poultry being kept inside city limits. The city has an ordinance against keeping livestock in the city limits. Nollett moved to publish the ordinance 2-4-1 int the Booster. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried". The paragraph on the school water line is to read as follows "Foreman Noel informed the council that the school is going to put in a new water line and will be tapping it into an existing line by the new Jr High Building. Kocourek moved to approve the October minutes as corrected. Nollett seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Finance Officer's Report**: Gauer moved approve the Finance officer's report for October. Seconded by Nollett, all voting aye, motion carried.

Beginning Balance on Hand	\$4,313,344
October Receipts	185,967
Total to be accounted for	4,499,311
Transfer In	58,758
Transfer Out	58,758
Disbursements	128,359
Outstanding Warrants	24,229
CD & Petty Cash	22,702

**Claims November 2024**: The claims were reviewed by the council. Gauer moved to pay the November claims. Seconded by Moffitt, all voting aye, motion carried.

## Insert November Claims Here

Peterson moved to approve the payment of \$703 to the USDA for the lagoon payment. Nollett seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

**Poultry Ordinance:** Discussion was held on whether or not to change ordinance 2-4-1 and allow city residents to have chickens. Gauer moved to leave the ordinance as is. Kocourek seconded the motion. Voting aye Gauer, Kocourek, Moffitt and Claussen. Voting nay, Nollett and Peterson, motion carried.

**Law:** Finance Officer Kirk asked who was responsible for making the loan payments on the Durango's now that the city is contracting with county for law enforcement. The contract did not spell that out. Peterson moved to table this until the next meeting so that the city attorney could look into this. Nollett seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried

**Supplemental Budget Ordinance # 260 2<sup>nd</sup> reading:** The second reading of Supplemental Budget Ordinance #260 was held.

## ORDINANCE # 260

## SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF MARTIN, SOUTH DAKOTA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, in the 2024 Appropriation Ordinance # 251, there was not sufficient appropriation to conduct the indispensable functions of the government in certain of the City Departments, and, there was insufficient money appropriated to discharge certain duties of the City, and;

WHEREAS, there is sufficient money from various sources for this Supplemental Budget.

SECTION 1. That there is appropriated by the City Council of the City of Martin, South Dakota, for the balance of the fiscal year 2024, the following sums of money for the following purposes, which are deemed necessary to defray the lawful duties of the City of Martin for the balance of the year 2024.

General Fund/Fire	30,000
General Fund/Attorney	20,000
General Fund/Airport	80,000
General Fund/Snow	27,000
General Fund/Streets	35,880
General Fund/Buildings	40,000
General Fund/ Senior Citizens/Meals on Wheels	5,000
General Fund/Parks	13,000
Markota Fund/BBB	25,000
Markota Fund/ Markota	5,000
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Markota Fund /Pool	33,000
Markota Fund/Golf	6,750
Sewer Fund	6,300
Sanitation Fund	15,300

SECTION 2. That there is hereby authorized to be generated from various organizations and other revenue sources and transfer from various city departments which have excess appropriations the amounts as set out below.

BBB Tax	25,000
Sales Tax	47,000
City Improvement Savings	59,000

Capital Project Savings	36,000
Liquor Fund	56,750
Grants	83,280
Interest Income General Fund	13,705
SLFRF-Covid Funds	15,195
Sewer Fund Revenue	6,300

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Dated this 13th day of November, 2024

(65.11)	City of Martin, A Municipal Corporation
(SEAL)	
	Gary Rayhill, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Jean Kirk, Finance Officer	
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading Oct 09, 2024	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading Nov 13, 2024	
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Gauer moved to approve the second reading and publish the ordinance. Kocourek seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Souls:** A discussion was held with Samantha Little Eagle about some maintenance and repairs that are needed for the Markota building. Nollett moved to have repairs done. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Poultry In City Limits:** A discussion was again held on allowing chickens inside city limits. Gauer moved to leave Ordinance 2-4-1 as written which does not allow any form of livestock to be kept inside city limits. Kocourek seconded the motion. Voting aye, Claussen, Moffitt, Gauer, and Kocourek. Voting nay, Nollett and Peterson, motion carried.

**Law:** Finance Officer Kirk asked who is going to be responsible for making the loan payments on the two Durango's. The law contract was reviewed but it did not specifically address this issue. Peterson moved to table this and the law surplus till next month to give the city attorney time to review the contract. Nollett seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Employee Health Insurance:** Nollett moved to approve plan HP1000 from the Health Pool of South Dakota for all full-time city employees. This plan will take effect January 1, 2025 Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Liquor License Renewals:** Nollett moved to approve the renewal of liquor licenses for Bro's Inc. Souls, Susan's H&H and the American Legion Club and the wine license for Yesway. Peterson seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried.

**Local Exchange:** Jay Yohner and Lanna Trantham explained to the council their idea called The Local Exchange. Vendors would have a 10'x10' space and would pay \$50 a month management/organization fee to Yohner and Trantham. The city would pay the \$1000 a month rent for the old Gambles store and provide free water, sewer, and garbage service for 12 months. Nollett moved to pay the rent of \$1000 a month and donate the utilities for 12 months with the money to come out of the city improvement savings. Peterson seconded the motion, voting aye, Nollett, Peterson, Claussen and Moffitt. Voting nay, Gauer and Kocourek, motion carried.

Ice Skating Rink: Melissa Slattery about donating money to purchase an ice-skating rink 40'x80' for \$6800. The rink could be placed on the empty lot next to the old Gamble store. She told the council that she had applied for grant through the through the Cozad Community Foundation. She doesn't know if she will get the grant and would like to get the rink purchased and set up before the parade of lights. Finance Officer Kirk informed the council that this was not in the budget for this year. They would have to wait until next year if they wanted to purchase it. Nollett moved to purchase the ice rink after the first of the year if Ms. Slattery did not get the grant. Peterson seconded the motion, voting aye, Claussen, Moffitt, Nollett, Peterson, and Gauer. Voting nay, Kocourek, motion carried.

**Personnel:** Nollett moved to allow Foreman Noel to cash in 120 hours of vacation. Claussen seconded the motion, all voting aye, motion carried

**Building Permits**: One building permit was reviewed by the council. Robert Fogg Jr. at 301 Ave C is renovating the basement entrance. Claussen moved to approve the building permit. Kocurek seconded the motion all voting aye, motion carried.

**Past due Water Bills**: The past due water bills were reviewed by the council. A motion to handle as usual was entered by Peterson and seconded by Nollett. All voting aye, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** As there was no further business to come before the council at this time, motion to adjourn was entered by Nollett.

The next city council meeting will be held December 11th at 5:30 p.m. at the library community room.

Dated this 13th day of November,
2024

Gary Rayhill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jean Kirk, Finance Officer

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