

## WENTWORTH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

The Wentworth Town Council met in regular session on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Finance Office. President Roger Vogt called the meeting to order with the following Council members present for roll call: Kory Reck, Jim Spielmann and Roger Vogt. Also present was Trish Natwick, Finance Officer and Chip O'Malley.

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion was made by Spielmann and seconded by Reck to approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Council meeting as written.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

The Town's employee & Council wages for 2017 are as follows: President-Regular meeting \$175.00, \$130.00 per special meeting; Trustees-Regular meeting \$140.00, special meeting \$100.00; Maintenance \$15.00 per hour; and Finance Office \$19,650.00 per year, special meeting \$100.00.

Natwick presented the Town's property inventory to the Board as of December 31, 2016, as required by South Dakota Codified Law 5-24-1. Spielmann motioned and Reck seconded to accept the December 31, 2016 property inventory as written.

Spielmann motioned, Reck seconded to designate the Madison Daily Leader as the town's legal publication, as required by SDCL 9-12-6.

Spielmann motioned, Reck seconded to designate Great Western Bank and SD Public Funds Investment Trust as the legal depositories for the Town of Wentworth.

The following office will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term of office: Trustee - One Three Year Term. Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 27, 2017. The Finance Office will be open on January 27th from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm to accommodate any resident desiring a petition. Petitions may also be picked up at the Finance Office at 216 S Main Avenue between the hours of 1:30 pm and 4:30 pm central standard time on Wednesdays or downloaded on our web-site. In municipalities of the third class, the nominating petition must be signed by not less than ten registered voters of the municipality. Petitioner must be an active registered voter. The deadline for filing a nominating petition with the Finance Officer is 5:00 pm on February 24, 2017.

Spielmann motioned and Reck seconded to hire T&H Welding as needed to remove snow on Main Street.

Natwick presented the water loss report for 2016. Total water loss for the past 12 months was 13.32%.

Council discussed issues with repairing street light outages. Residents are encouraged to report any outages by leaving a voicemail on the Finance Office phone or by emailing the office email listed on our web-site.

Chip O'Malley appeared before council to discuss dogs at large. Residents are reminded that Wentworth has a leash law and all dogs are required to be licensed. Vogt will contact the animal control officer to discuss O'Malley's concerns.

Council reviewed December financials and January billing vouchers. Motion was made by Reck & seconded by Spielmann to approve & pay the monthly claims as follows: Big Sioux Water-\$722.97 January Water Purchases; Big Sioux Water-\$1,155.00 Sewer & Water Operator Contract; Bud's Clean-up-\$816.93 Garbage Contract; Campbell Supply-\$122.44 Shop Supplies; Central Business Supply-\$6.23 Office Supplies; C.N.A. Surety-\$525.00 2017 Surety Bond; F&M Coop-\$540.00 Shop Equip.; First District-\$264.37 2017 dues; Grapevine Design-\$62.50 Web-site Maintenance; IRS-\$854.10 Payroll Taxes; ITC-\$136.50 Phone, Fax and Internet; Johnson Bros. Excavation-\$35,661.53 Water & Street Repairs; Leibel Law Firm-\$88.00 Legal Fees; Madison Daily Leader-\$28.88; Ottetail Power Company-\$399.39 Electric & Street Lighting; SD Association of Rural Water Systems-\$320.00 2017 Dues; SD Dept of Revenue-\$147.00 Sales Tax; SD Unemployment-\$42.01 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Unemployment Tax; Wayne's Repair-\$32.75 Equip. Maintenance; Roger Vogt-\$325.46 December Payroll; Jim Spielmann-\$279.29 December Payroll; Kory Reck-\$514.79 December Payroll; Trish Natwick-\$1,559.30 December Payroll; Terry Reck-\$370.80 December Payroll; Duane Walburg-\$262.84 Animal Control.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned. The next regular session meeting will be Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Finance Office.

Trish Natwick  
Finance Officer