

**MINUTES
IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL MEETING
IPSWICH CITY HALL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

The Ipswich City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 8, 2021. Members present were Susie Treftz, Barb Gillick, Mike Steen, Mike Hammrich and Jon Gilbert. Mayor LeRoy Kilber and David Coisman were absent. Also present were Jack Olson, Seth Tuscherer, Mark Deraney and Amy Jaenisch.

Call the meeting to order: Council President Treftz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Motions: All motions were approved unanimously unless otherwise indicated.

Approval of Minutes: Hammrich/Steen to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 meeting.

Building Permits: None

Ongoing Business:

AMKO Advisors – USDA Loan Refinance Opportunity: Deraney spoke to the council about the process to refinance the street project loan through US Department of Agriculture Rural Development. A bond counsel engagement was provided to the City Council. The council would like to have the City Attorney review the agreement.

New Business:

Petition to Vacate Streets and Alleys: A petition was received requesting to vacate the alley that runs east and west between Lots 7 through 14, Block 9, Arnold's Addition to Ipswich; and a portion of 11th Street running north and south from 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue bounded on the east by Lots 10 and 11, Block 9, Arnold's Addition to Ipswich, and on the west by a portion of the Municipal Golf Course located in Lot A of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Twenty (20), Township One Hundred Twenty-three (123) North, Range Sixty-eight (68), West of the 5th P.M., Edmunds County, South Dakota. Hammrich/Gillick to set a public hearing for March 8, 2021.

NECOG Performance Report Review: The annual NECOG performance report was reviewed.

Fire Protection Contract: Gilbert/Steen to authorize Mayor Kilber to sign the Fire Protection contract with the Ipswich Volunteer Fire Department.

Office Report:

January Financial Reports - Expenditure and Revenue Guideline, Checking and Savings Account Reconciliation, Sales and Municipal Tax comparison:

Gillick/Hammrich to approve the financial report. Bank account balances are as follows: Checking - \$1,054,020.16; Savings -\$797,133.52

Bills for approval: Gilbert/Steen to approve the following bills: A & B Business Solutions, Inc.-\$48.36/copier toner; Agtegra-\$245.71/fuel/supplies; Amazon Capital Services-\$62.73/summer reading program supplies; American Red Cross-\$200.00/swimming lesson provider fee; American Solutions for Business-\$48.21/office supplies; Aramark-\$121.46/mat/mop exchange; Avera St. Luke's-\$39.16/ambulance supplies; Beck Law Office-\$300.00/legal services; Beverly Jones-\$185.00/office cleaning; Buffalo Station-\$220.88/fuel; City of Ipswich-\$262.58/water billing all accounts; Dakota Supply Group-\$222.64/filters; DRN-\$129.80/computer backup/antivirus; FEM Electric Association Inc.-\$60.77/Rubble Site utilities; Gibson Publishing-

\$226.13/publishing/subscription; Ipswich Lumber & Hardware, LLC-\$199.79/parts/supplies; Ipswich State Bank-\$75.00/petty cash postage; Kens Food Fair-\$168.75/fuel; Loel Hoyle-\$356.78/reimbursement for sewer connection repair; Moser Excavating & Trucking-\$816.33/sewer service repair; Oban Construction-\$3,804.74/repair axles on skid steer; Physicians Claims Company-\$780.11/10% ambulance billing fee; Public Health Laboratory-\$15.00/water testing; SD One Call-\$2.10/message fees; Trail Days Committee-\$20,000.00/2021 Donation; US Bank-\$233.87/applicator license/Office 365 fee; US Post Office-\$199.00/postage (1 regular, 4 postcard); Valley Telecommunications-\$387.70/phone/internet services; Verizon Wireless-\$80.02/ambulance mobile data plan

Pre-approved bills: February 1, 2021 Payroll: Administration-\$3,304.14; Streets-\$2,410.88; Sanitation-\$232.09; Ambulance-\$4,435.99; Library-\$1,680.00; Water-\$1,080.12; Sewer-\$1,312.20; Ipswich State Bank-\$3,091.61/payroll taxes; Wellmark Health Plans-\$985.11/group health insurance premium; Payment Services Network-\$87.00/gateway/transaction fee

Public Comments: Participants and topics included: Hammrich – existing pool house safety

Adjournment: At 7:31p.m. Hammrich/Gilbert to adjourn the meeting.

Amy Jaenisch
Finance Officer
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