



**CITY COMMISSION ROOM  
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA  
September 27, 2016**

The City of Pierre Board of Commissioners met in regular session on September 27, 2016 at 5:30 pm with Commissioners Barringer, Harding, Huizenga, Mehlhaff and Mayor Gill present for roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by an invocation. Dave Archambault, Charlene Lund, and Jim Ackerman signed the guest register. The agenda was approved as posted.

Mayor Gill issued a proclamation for National Walk to School Day, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Barringer moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to approve the consent calendar: Minutes Regular Meeting September 20, 2016; Designate Police Chaplain – Craig Wexler; Set October 4<sup>th</sup> 5:45pm Public Hearing – Temporary Wine License for Historic Pierre Street Association Wine Walk; Claims (none). Unanimous approval.

Twila Hight, Finance Officer, presented a 2016 Budget Supplement Ordinance 1774 to provide additional spending authority for the replacement of the Aquatic Center Boilers for \$300,000. As part of the 2017 budget discussions, it was decided to fund this project with existing funding for the refinance of Bankwest Bonds and additional funding for Hyde Stadium. The funding will be available in 2016, so the project was moved into the 2016 budget. Commissioner Harding gave Ordinance 1774 AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO ORDINANCE 1746, THE 2016 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR NECESSARY FUNCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT FOR WHICH NO APPROPRIATIONS OR INSUFFICIENT APPROPRIATIONS WERE PROVIDED.

Twila Hight, Finance Officer, presented the 2017 Budget Appropriation Ordinance and explained that the budget is balanced without the use of unobligated reserves. The budget does include the use of \$600,000 of designated equipment replacement reserves and also includes a transfer from the Electric Fund to the General Fund of \$2,580,000. Charlene Lund made several comments regarding the proposed increase in utility rates for the 2017 fiscal year, relating to large projects sustainability and fixed income members of our community. She commented that the graphs used to show the Pierre utility costs compared to other communities in the State is offensive. Leon and Commissioner Mehlhaff commented that these comparisons are asked for by Commissioners and often asked for by constituents, so they are presented regularly as a result of that. Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Huizenga seconded to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to and adoption of Ordinance 1769 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. Unanimous approval.

Leon Schochenmaier, City Administrator, presented the 3 utility rate ordinances and explained that the rate increase in each is Electric 0%, Water and Wastewater 9%, plus the flood adder increase of 3.5% on each utility. The flood adder will now be designated directly into unobligated reserves to help replenish the reserves as a result of the impact from the flood. Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Barringer seconded to give second reading to and adoption of Ordinance 1770 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4-2-402 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1265 IN REVISION OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO ELECTRIC SERVICE CHARGES AND RATES. Unanimous approval. Commissioner Huizenga moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to give second reading to and adoption of Ordinance 1771 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4-2-203 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1265 IN REVISION OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO WATER SERVICE CHARGES AND RATES. Unanimous approval. Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to give second reading to and adoption of

Ordinance 1772 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4-2-301 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1265 IN REVISION OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AND RATES. Unanimous approval.

Leon Schochenmaier, City Administrator, presented Resolution 2593 schedule of fees effective January 1, 2017. The following fees were updated: Cemetery burial site and opening/closing; Business Licensing Fees; Solid Waste Fees for recycling and bags. An additional fee was added for administrative fees on property maintenance costs. Commissioner Barringer moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to approve Resolution 2593. Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Huizenga moved and Commissioner Mehlhaff seconded to adjourn for Executive Session for legal issues under SDCL 1-25-2(4). 7:12pm Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Harding moved and Commissioner Mehlhaff seconded to reconvene. Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Barringer moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to adjourn. 8:22pm Unanimous approval.

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Twila Hight, Finance Officer

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