**Minutes Of City Council**

**City Of Sargent, Nebraska**

**Regular Session**

**Sargent Community Center**

**December 12, 2023**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Regular Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 12th day of December 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office, Sargent Corner Market and First National Bank on Tuesday December 5, 2023. The following were present: Council Members: Micky Schneider, Tim Clayton, Gerry Sheets, Ricky Hightower Mayor Myers, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent Reece Jensen, City Attorney Glenn Clark and City Clerk/Treasurer Gwenda Horky.

Mayor Myers stated a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Sheets moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Clayton seconded. Voting yea: Clayton, Sheets, Schneider, and Hightower Voting nay: None. Motion carried

Citizen Comments: Danielle Solis asked about zoning on Main Street the wanting to do some housing on the 400 Block

Council Member Schneider moved to approve J & J Sanitation Rate Change for 2024. Council Member Hightower seconded. Voting yea: Hightower, Schneider, Clayton, and Sheets. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Russ Callan was present to update the Council that the Drainage Ditch Project. NRD was received a Hazard Mitigation Grant for the Design of the project. The City’s share will be under $8,000.00

Council Member Sheets moved to close the Sargent City Council of 2023 at 7:27 pm. Council Member Clayton seconded. Voting yea: Sheets, Clayton, Hightower, and Schneider. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Myers called the Sargent City Council of 2024 to Order at 7:27 pm

Council Member Sheets moved to nominate Micky Schneider as City Council President. Council Member Hightower seconded. Gerry Sheets moved to close nominations. Voting yea: Clayton, Sheets, and Hightower. Voting nay: None. Abstaining: Schneider

Voting Micky Schneider as City Council President: Hightower, Sheets, and Clayton Voting nay: None. Abstaining: Schneider. Motion carried.

Zoning at 411 W Main Street was discussed.

Council member Sheets moved to approve Resolution 2023-7 for Street Superintendent. Council Member Clayton seconded. Voting yea: Hightower, Schneider, Clayton, and Sheets. Voting nay: Non. Motion carried.

Council Member Schneider moved to approve the demo permit for Steve Gumb for a shed at 207 Boardway Street. Council Member Clayton seconded. Voting yea: Schneider, Clayton, Hightower, and Sheets. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Schneider moved to designate the $30,000.00 left in ARAP funds to the Drainage project. Council Sheets seconded. Voting yea: clayton, Hightower, Schneider, and Sheets. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Schneider moved to approve the SDL for Sargent Economic Development on January 12 & 13 2024 at the Sargent Community Center. Council Member Hightower seconded. Voting yea: Hightower, Clayton, Schneider, and sheets. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Sheets moved to approve the following rates and appointments. Council Member Hightower seconded. Voting yea: Hightower, Schneider, Sheets, and Clayton. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

**Position Name of Appointee**

City Physician Physicians at Central NE Medical Clinic

City Attorney Glenn Clark

Deputy Attorney Kayla Haberstick

Bond Council Piper Sandler & Co

City Engineer Miller & Associates

Street Superintendent Chris Miller

City Auditors Lammers, Able & Kapps CPA PC

City Depository First National Bank & UBT

Building Inspector Tim Leibert

Asst. Building Inspector Gerry Sheets

Paper Sargent Leader

Utilities Gerry Sheets /Ricky Hightower

Clerk/Treasurer Gwenda Horky

Administrator Reece Jensen

Utility Superintendent Reece Jensen

Assistant Utility Superintendent Tim Divine

Zoning Administrator Reece Jensen / Tim Divine

Police Chief J. D. Keefe

**Audit Committee:**

January thru June Micky Schneider & Gerry Sheets

July thru December Ricky Hightower & Tim Clayton

**Health Board**

JD Keefe Tim Leibert

Tim Clayton Lori Spanel

Mel Myers

**Community Planning Commission**

Tony Bye Joyce Hightower

Clinton Marsh Lori Spanel

**Sargent Housing Authority Board**

Four Year Term Ricky Hightower 12-31-2027

Three Year Term Connie Bottorf 12-31-2026

Two Year Term Mary McDaniels 12-31-2025

One Year Term 12-31-2024

**RATES FOR 2020-2022**

Storage Unit Permit $ 25.00

Demo Permits $ 10.00

Building Permit $ 20.00

ATV Permit $20.00

Dog Licenses $ 6.00

Copies $ 0.25 per copy

Faxes & E-Mails $ 1.00

**RV Park**

One Day $ 20.00

One Week $100.00

One Month $350.00

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

Kitchen $ 35.00

Meeting Room $ 40.00

Community Center $120.00

**Equipment Rental Without Operator**

Air Compressor $ 50.00

Air Compressor & Jack Hammer $ 75.00

**Equipment Rental With Operator**

Back Hoe $120.00

Back Flow Preventer $ 12.00 per Day

Bucket Truck & Labor $ 80.00 Plus Mileage

Box Scraper $ 35.00

Digger Truck & Labor $100.00 Plus Mileage

Double Bucket Truck Plus Labor $100.00 Plus Mileage

Dump Trucks Plus Labor $ 60.00 Plus Mileage

Grader Plus Labor $ 70.00 Plus Fuel Used

Gravel $ 35.00 a Bucket Load Plus Delivery

Delivery Charge of Gravel $ 15.00

Labor $ 60.00 per Hour

Meter (Fire Hyd) $ 8.00 per Day

Mole $ 1.75 per Foot

White Rock $ 65.00 per bucket + Delivery

Crushed Cement $ 65.00 per Bucket + Delivery

Mowers $ 100.00 an Plus Labor

Mileage $ 2.00 per Mile

Pickup with Sewer Jet Plus Labor $100.00 & Mileage

Sweeper Plus Labor $120.00 per hour

Tractor & Blade $85.00 Plus Fuel & Labor

Sewer Line Tapping & Labor Plus Materials $350.00

Water Main Line Tapping & Labor Plus $500.00

Supervisor Reports were given

Council Member Schneider moved that the City of Sargent adjourn into Executive Session at the hour of

8:00 pm to discuss strategy with respect for employee wages It being clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest. Council Member Sheets seconded. Voting yea: Hightower, Clayton, Schneider and sheets. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

The Mayor informed the public that the City Council was going into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to employee wages. It being clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest

Council Member Schneider moved to reconvene into regular session at the hour of 8:25 pm  Council Member Hightower seconded. Voting yea:  Schneider, Clayton, Sheets, and Hightower.   Voting nay: None

Council Member Schneider moved to approve the following Christmas Bonus: Student Help - $100.00,

Part -Time $300.00, and Full Time - $500.00. Council Hightower seconded. Voting yea: Schneider, Clayton, Sheets, Hightower. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Council Member Clayton and seconded by Council Member Sheets to adjourn the meeting. Voting yea:, Schneider, Clayton, and Myers. Voting nay: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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| **Municipal** | |  |  |  |
|  | **Check #** | **Date** | **Vendor** | **Amount** |
|  | 12349 | 12/12/2023 | Appeara | 62.24 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 12350 | 12/12/2023 | Barco Municipal Products, Inc. | 923.07 |
|  |  |  | Grader Blades |  |
|  | 12351 | 12/12/2023 | Central NE Economic Development District | 1,445.00 |
|  |  |  | Disaster Housing - Administration |  |
|  | 12352 | 12/12/2023 | Edghill Motors | 302.07 |
|  |  |  | Maintenance to Equipment |  |
|  | 12353 | 12/12/2023 | Gateway Motors | 151.20 |
|  |  |  | Maintenance to Pickup |  |
|  | 12354 | 12/12/2023 | Grint Farm Supply | 104.49 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 12355 | 12/12/2023 | Nebraska Central Telephone Company | 314.59 |
|  |  |  | Phone & Internet |  |
|  | 12356 | 12/12/2023 | Sargent Corner Market | 29.34 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 12357 | 12/12/2023 | Trotter's Whoa & Go | 200.87 |
|  |  |  | Fuel |  |
|  | 12359 | 12/12/2023 | Verizon | 40.01 |
|  |  |  | IT Equipment |  |
|  | 12360 | 12/12/2023 | Richard's Electric | 902.00 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 12366 | 12/22/2023 | Black Hills Energy | 419.29 |
|  |  |  | Utilities |  |
| **Utility** |  |  |  |  |
|  | 14312 | 12/12/2023 | Appeara | 45.55 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 14313 | 12/12/2023 | Automated Dairy specialists, LLC | 350.10 |
|  |  |  | Chlorine |  |
|  | 14314 | 12/12/2023 | Border States Industries, Inc | 2,787.32 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 14315 | 12/12/2023 | Burwell Tribune | 154.29 |
|  |  |  | Publishing |  |
|  | 14316 | 12/12/2023 | Core & Main LP | 2,500.00 |
|  |  |  | Sensus Support |  |
|  | 14317 | 12/12/2023 | Dept of Energy | 5,537.22 |
|  |  |  | Purchase Energy |  |
|  | 14318 | 12/12/2023 | Eakes Office Plus | 153.90 |
|  |  |  | Office Copies |  |
|  | 14319 | 12/12/2023 | Great Western Gas Co. | 6.95 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 14320 | 12/12/2023 | Grint Farm Supply | 759.27 |
|  |  |  | Supplies & Shipping |  |
|  | 14321 | 12/12/2023 | Mick Kozeal | 75.98 |
|  |  |  | Mileage to Elba Meeting |  |
|  | 14322 | 12/12/2023 | Municipal Pipe Services | 4,000.00 |
|  |  |  | line stop & fire Hyd - Della St |  |
|  | 14323 | 12/12/2023 | Municipal Supply INC | 5,506.68 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 14324 | 12/12/2023 | NE State Fire Marshall | 120.00 |
|  |  |  | Registration Fee |  |
|  | 14325 | 12/12/2023 | One Call Concepts, Inc | 7.54 |
|  |  |  | Diggers |  |
|  | 14326 | 12/12/2023 | Trotter's Whoa & Go | 870.37 |
|  |  |  | Fuel |  |
|  | 14328 | 12/12/2023 | Richard's Electric | 1,254.00 |
|  |  |  | Motor & Greg Brass Repairs |  |
|  | 14329 | 12/12/2023 | Sargent Municipal Utilities | 700.00 |
|  |  |  | Meter Deposit Refund |  |
|  | 14330 | 12/12/2023 | NDEE | 230.00 |
|  |  |  | Renew Water Operator License |  |
|  | 14331 | 12/12/2023 | Spelts Lumber Co. | 30.69 |
|  |  |  | Supplies |  |
|  | 14332 | 12/12/2023 | J & J Sanitation | 8,751.78 |
|  |  |  | Customer Fees - 7,131.78 |  |
|  |  |  | City Roll Off - 1,080.57 |  |
|  | 14341 | 12/15/2023 | First National Bank | 100.00 |
|  |  |  | Christmas Bonus |  |
|  | 14342 | 12/22/2023 | Black Hills Energy | 672.60 |
|  |  |  | Utilities |  |
|  | 14343 | 12/22/2023 | Custer Public Power District | 31,352.13 |
|  |  |  | Purchase Power |  |
|  | 14344 | 12/29/2023 | Hometown Leasing | 66.52 |
|  |  |  | Copier Lease |  |