

Piedmont Board of Trustees

October 17, 2023

Unapproved Regular Meeting Minutes

1) The Meeting of the Piedmont Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance. In Attendance: Phil Anderson, Bruce Lutz, Jack Parks & Phil Aitken.

2) Aitken made **Motion** to drop item 8b from the Agenda, **Seconded** by Parks. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.** / Parks made **Motion, Seconded** by Lutz to drop item 4b from the Agenda to allow time to consult with the City Attorney. All voted "Aye".

Motion carried.

3) Minutes: October 6, 2023-Parks made **Motion** to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting on October 6, 2023. **Seconded** by Lutz. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.**

October 10, 2023-Anderson pointed out that this meeting was a Special Meeting and not a Regular Meeting. This change will be made. Lutz made **Motion, Seconded** by Aitken to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting on October 10, 2023. All voted "Aye".

Motion carried.

4) Planning & Zoning: a) Report: 1-Reddig Plat was approved as a Preliminary Plat. 2- High Plains Plat was approved as a Preliminary Plat.

5) Library: a) Things are going well, Megan is doing a great job. Library Board is meeting on October 23rd.

6) Park: a) Sprinkler lines are ready to be blown out for the winter. Tree Grant has been turned in.

7) Street Maintenance: a) Tractor is back and Plow Pickup is in having the blower fixed. Kyle has been blading Spring Valley Road and mowing ditches. We now have the advertisement for bids in the paper and have a timeline for the bids.

*Parks made **Motion** to go into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL# 1-25-2-1, **Seconded** by Lutz. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.** 7:47p.m. / Aitken made **Motion, Seconded** by Parks to come out of Executive Session. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.** 7:50 p.m.

b) Parks made **Motion, Seconded** by Aitken to approve to hire Steve Bertsch as a part time employee to help with Snow Removal on an as-needed basis for \$20 an hour. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.**

8) Water: a) Report: Meters will be read on Monday. The bill was received from Site Works for repairing the broken waterline. Much better than expected. Still working with SDDOT about having to move the waterline.

9) Finance: a) Parks made **Motion** to pay the bills, **Seconded** by Lutz. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.** Bills Paid: Merchant Bank fees: \$.48, \$.76, \$.76, \$7.99. SD Dept. of Labor \$218.77 & \$4.05, United States Treasury \$2,898.62, US Bank-Phase 2 \$10,000.93, BH Chemical \$161.88, Bluepeak \$237.38, Diana Evans-office supplies \$66.60, Gunderson, Palmer, Nelson & Ashmore-attorney \$10,499.72, MDU \$33.70, Rushmore Office Supply-paper \$288.00, SDML Workers Compensation \$838.00, Site Work Specialists-waterline repair \$14,016.53. b) Parks made **Motion, Seconded** by Aitken to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2023-02, the 2024 Budget. All voted "Aye".

Motion carried.

10) Old Business: Discussed Right-of-Way versus Easement for the waterline extension.

11) New Business: a) Diana will reach out and find an Election Board. b) received a bid from Double Star for a laptop. Anderson will check the State Bid site and see what is available there.

12) Public Comment: The Library awning is full of rainwater.

13) Executive Session: Aitken made **Motion, Seconded** by Lutz to go into Executive Session in 5 minutes pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 subsection 3 . All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.** 7:15 p.m. /Lutz made **Motion, Seconded** by Parks to come out of Executive Session. All voted "Aye". **Motion carried.**

14) Being there was no other business, Aitken made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting, **Seconded** by Parks. All voted "Aye". **Meeting Adjourned.** 7:53p.m.

Philip C. Anderson, President
Piedmont Board of Trustees

Diana L. Evans
Finance Officer

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