

COUNCIL MINUTES
CITY OF PARKER REGULAR MEETING
Monday, April 12, 2021 7:00 p.m.

The Parker City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 12, 2021 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Members present: Council members: Mayor Nelson, Berens, Harms, Erickson, Schulte, Herlyn and Nogelmeier. Other persons attending: Finance Officer Jans, Mike Jorgensen, Chris Poncelet, Derek Nolan, Brad Jansen, Kathy Rand, Mike Deelstra, Jim Kasten, Max Masters, Sarah Ebeling, Robert Gehm, Ryan Wieman, Mark Kasten, JT Silvernail, and Deputy Jacobs Mayor Nelson declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

21.29 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Herlyn to approve the minutes of the March 8th regular meeting and March 15th equalization meeting. Motion carried.

21.30 Motion by Harms, seconded by Erickson to approve the April claims as presented. List attached. Motion carried. March salaries: General Fund: \$32,480.20. Enterprise Fund: \$15,077.02. Total: \$47,557.22.

Robert Gehm, Real Estate Representative for NorthWestern Energy was present to discuss the possibility of purchasing property from the city, as well as a utility access easement. Gehl explained NorthWestern would like to move their gas regulator station and provided two potential easement options.

21.31 Motion by Schulte, seconded by Nogelmeier to approve an acceptance of offer and plan for option two. Motion carried.

Mark Kasten and Ryan Wieman were present to update the council on the current layout of the proposed auxiliary gym. Kasten explained that Chris Poncelet has offered 12 acres of land south of Jones Food Center, and noted the committee feels the good out ways the bad for that location.

21.32 Motion by Harms, seconded by Berens to have the plans engineered and architecturally drawn. Motion carried.

21.33 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Herlyn to allow Pristine Machinery LLC to put a sign on the fence located at 27496 452nd Ave. Motion carried.

21.34 Motion by Erickson, seconded by Harms to have covid wavers signed by parents/guardians for the 2021 pool season. Motion carried.

21.35 Motion by Schulte, seconded by Nogelmeier to revisit the water tower lease agreement with Leap Communications. Motion carried.

21.36 Motion by Berens, seconded by Harms to approve the Parker Housing & Redevelopment 5-year plan. Motion carried.

Council had discussion about a request for a fenced in patio located in the back of TJ Kerner's. General consensus was to have the owner bring his plans to the council for review.

Department Reports: Deputy Jacobs was present to answer any questions. Harms asked Jacobs to talk to the resource officer about bike safety. Library Director Rand gave a monthly library update and noted 23 new library cards have been issued since January.

20.37 Motion by Berens, seconded by Nogelmeier to approve the 2020 annual library survey. Motion carried.

Street Superintendent Jorgensen updated the council on the school project. Jorgensen also noted the school is in the process of purchasing the house on the corner of 2nd and Juniper, and that they had asked if the City would help in tearing down. Schulte stated he felt it would be fair for the school to pay

for fuel and wages. Nogelmeier agreed. Mayor Nelson thought that should work. Jorgensen also explained there will be a free dump day at the rubble site on May 8th, open to the public.

20.38 Motion by Schulte, seconded by Herlyn to go into executive session at 8:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, consult with legal counsel, and other matters in accordance to SDCL 1-25-2. Motion carried.

Schulte excused himself from executive session at 8:28 p.m.

Mayor declared out of executive session at 8:56 p.m.

21.39 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Herlyn to hire a Deputy Finance Officer and part time seasonal employee. Motion carried.

21.40 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Harms to adjourn at 9:28 p.m. Motion carried.

Ron, Nelson, Mayor

Adam Jans, Finance Officer