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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Sidney City Council was called or ordered by Mayor Norby at 7:30pm.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.
3. **ALDERMEN PRESENT:** Rasmussen, Koffler, Christensen, Godfrey, Sergent
4. **CORRECTION OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - a. **April 19th, 2021- Regular City Council Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 19th, 2021 regular City Council Meeting by Alderwoman Rasmussen and Alderwoman Godfrey seconded. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.
 - b. **April 19th, 2021- Budget and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 19th, 2021 regular Budget and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes by Alderwoman Christensen and Alderwoman Godfrey seconded. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.
5. **VISITORS:**
 - a. **Marci Sondeno- 5k & 10k Beef Run for the Cattleman's Ball on June 5th, 2021:** Marci Sondeno came forward to ask permission to have a 5k & 10k beef run and use some city streets around Sidney. Ms. Sondeno mentioned the run will start at the fairgrounds and go to holly street and then turn left at the four corners, Ms. Sondeno stated the 5k run would go north of 22nd AVE and turn on Red River Drive and then turn again on state highway to run back to the fairgrounds. Ms. Sondeno mentioned that 10k route would be start at the fairgrounds and continue 22nd ST SW and then turn on the gravel road on Lone Tree Ranch, then run back behind the fairgrounds. Alderwoman Godfrey made a motion to approve of the 5k & 10k beef run routes for the Cattleman's Ball on June 5th, 2021. Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded the motion, Chief Kraft did state he would like to see some plans of this run prior to the run for the safety of all the runners. Chief Kraft also mentioned that holly street is a very busy street, and 22 AVE is a very narrow road. Ms. Sondeno said that the run will start at 8:00AM that Saturday morning, Chief Kraft would like to have a more in-depth conversation with Ms. Sondeno about the run plans. Alderwoman Godfrey would like to amend her motion pending on Chief Kraft approval on the run plans, Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.
 - b. **Kali Godfrey-Dirt Parking lot next to City Hall for Off of Clock for May 27th, 2021:** Kali Godfrey with the Chamber of Commerce came forward to ask permission to use that dirt parking lot next to City Hall on May 27th for a live entertainment and some shopping tents. Ms. Godfrey also mentioned the times would be 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM and set up the stage and tents around 5:30 AM. Alderwoman Rasmussen made a motion to approve The Chamber of Commerce to use that dirt lot on May 27th, 2021, Alderman Koffler seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye Alderwoman Godfrey did abstain from voting on this matter.
 - c. **Kali Godfrey- 2nd ST SE for Sunrise Festival:** Kali Godfrey with the Chamber of Commerce came forward to ask permission to shut down 2nd ST SE for Sunrise Festival, Ms. Godfrey mentioned the street would be shut down from 5:00AM to 4:00PM. Alderwoman Rasmussen made a motion to approve shutting down 2nd ST SE for Sunrise Festival with Chief Kraft approval, and Alderwoman Sergent seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye, Alderwoman Godfrey did abstain from voting on this matter.
 - d. **Tim Fine- Farmers Market- Dirt Parking Lot next to City Hall- Saturday Mornings:** Stephanie Ridl called in over zoom to ask permission to use the dirt lot next to city hall every Saturday morning for the Farmers Market. Mrs. Ridl did state that the farmers market would start on the first Saturday in July and run until the first frost comes, and the times on Saturday would be from 7:30AM to Noon. Mrs. Ridl did mention that Tim Fine has not had a meeting with their vendors yet they will be meeting at the end of the month, Tim Fine wanted to see if using the dirt lot next to City Hall was even an option before heading to their meeting this month. PWD Hintz did mentioned that clock project going in would possibly start late summer and should be okay. Alderwoman Christensen made a motion to approve of Tim Fine with Farmers Market using the dirt lot next to City Hall, Alderman Koffler seconded the motion. Alderwoman Sergent mentioned that the past famers market would usually go into September and October would that be okay, PWD Hintz mentioned that the City Public Works Crew does have enough barricades. PWD Hintz did state that they could not give permission to use the concrete side, PWD Hintz said if that dirt parking lot does get muddy with the rain that the city would be able to put some gravel down. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Nothing.
7. **MAYOR NORBY:**
 - a. **Appoint Brad Faulaber or Joe Stevenson to Ward 1 Council Positions:** Alderwoman Christensen made a Motion to approve the appointment of Joe Stevenson to the Ward 1 Council position, term commencing May 3rd, 2021, and Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded the motion. With no discussion, all present voted aye.
 - b. **Ward 1 Position Oath of Office:** Mayor Norby read out loud the Oath of Office and Alderman Stevenson read the Oath of Office back.

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8. **COMMITTEE MEETING WORK:** Alderwoman Rasmussen was approached about the 10 o'clock siren by a Sidney citizen and asking if the City still needs to siren, it at night. Alderwoman asked is the city still implanting curfew or does this need to go to committee. Mayor Norby mentioned that the siren was handy back in the day, only the council can change it. Fire Marshal/Building Inspector Rasmussen did mention that this is something that dispatch must manually turn on and off each night, and when those dispatchers are inside that brick building, they cannot hear if the siren is still going or not. Fire Marshall/Building Inspector Rasmussen did state that the one siren by the county building is down for repairs, Fire Marshall/Building Inspector Rasmussen did say he is unaware on when that siren will be working again and that those parts are ordered. Alderwoman Rasmussen made a motion to approve of this going to the Police and Fire Committee to further discuss this at a later date and time, Alderwoman Sergent seconded this motion. After no further discussion, all present voted aye.

9. **ALDERMEN REQUESTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Nothing.

Parks and Recreation – Chair Godfrey – Sergent, Christensen
Street and Alley – Chair Christensen–Sergent, Stevenson
City Buildings & Street Lighting – Chair Stevenson– Koffler, Rasmussen

Water and Sewer – Chair Koffler – Godfrey, Rasmussen
Sanitation– Chair Rasmussen –Koffler, Stevenson
Police and Fire – Chair Sergent –Godfrey, Christensen
Budget and Finance – Chair Sergent, Christensen, Rasmussen

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Nothing.

11. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **City County Interlocal Agreement Building Inspector:** Building Inspector Rasmussen was approached by the county two weeks ago to become a county building inspector until the county hired someone. Building Inspector Rasmussen did mention that he would still use Kyle Harlan for questions and knowledge. Building Inspector Rasmussen did state that he is certified in residential and will become certified in commercial inspector soon, Mayor Norby did mention that City Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin did sit down and looked over the budget and thought Building Inspector Rasmussen would get an additional \$350.00 a month, and once he becomes certified, he will get an additional pay of \$500.00. Alderman Christensen made a motion to approve of the City County Interlocal Agreement Building Inspector, Alderwoman Godfrey seconded the motion. With no discussion, all present voted aye. Alderwoman Rasmussen did abstain from voting on this agreement. Alderman Koffler made a motion to approve of the wage for Building Inspector Rasmussen, and Alderwoman Sergent seconded the motion. Alderwoman Christensen wanted to clarify that this is not a hourly wage but a monthly lump additional wage, and Mayor Norby did agree that it is a monthly additional wage not hourly. With no further discussion, all present voted aye. Alderwoman Rasmussen did abstain from voting on the wage agreement for Building Inspector Rasmussen.
- b. **Appoint Alderwoman Rasmussen to Budget and Finance Committee:** Alderwoman Christensen made a motion to approve of Alderwoman Rasmussen moving to the Budget and Finance Committee, Alderman Koffler seconded the motion. Alderwoman Christensen did state that Alderman Stevenson will now be on the Street and Alley Committee and City Buildings & Street Lighting, along with Sanitation Committee. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.
- c. **Fulkerson/Stevenson Funeral Home- Conditional Use Permit:** PWD Hintz stated that Zoning Board met to discuss of Fulkerson/Stevenson Funeral Home wanted to build a crematory at that their facility, PWD Hintz did mention that the board did approve of this without any conditions. Alderwoman Rasmussen made a motion to approve of the Fulkerson/Stevenson Funeral Home Conditional Use permit, and Alderman Koffler second the motion. With no discussion, all present voted aye.

12. **CITY PLANNER SANDERSON:**

- a. **Completion Results of the KLJ Community Needs Assessment Survey:** PWD Hintz said that all the council members should have received the results of the KLJ Community Needs Assessment Survey, and all Council Members have read through out the report. Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Shanks did mention that if any council member did want a hard copy of this Needs Assessment Survey that City Planner Sanderson would be able to send some over to Sidney.

13. **CITY ATTORNEY:** Noting.

14. **CHIEF OF POLICE KRAFT:** Nothing.

15. **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR HINTZ:**

- a. **Update:** PWD Hintz stated that 4th AVE SE street paving has started although they did run into some problems, and the paver did break down. PWD Hintz did mention that hopefully that paver will be fixed up by the end of next week, and West Holly Project all of those services have been completed and all of the easements on 200 to 300 block have been signed and filed to the courthouse. PWD Hintz also said that the wash down facility at the city shop and hoping to have the tank set this week and the manhole setting and the pad for the building and wash area here in the next couple of weeks. PWD Hintz also mention that he was going to start filling the swimming pool today but, due to the power outage he will hold off on filing it. PWD Hintz also said that he had about 10 volunteers help cleaning the swimming pool from swim team parents and very happy with those results.

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- b. **Authorize Interstate Engineering to Open Bids for the West Holly Project:** PWD Hintz said authorize to advertise for bids not to open for bids, Alderman Koffler made a motion to approve of Interstate Engineering to advertise Bids on the West Holly Project. Alderwoman Rasmussen second the motion, Jordan Mayer with Interstate Engineering did mention that the bid opening is set for May 17th at 4:00pm and will have a special meeting on May 24th at 5:00Pm to discuss those bids. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.

16. FIRE MARSHAL/BUILDING INSPECTOR RASMUSSEN:

- a. **Update:** Fire Marshall/Building Inspector Rasmussen did state that his monthly report will be presented at the next council meeting but, he did want to everyone to thank a fireman if you see one. Richland County is very dry out, and that these firemen have been working hard already this spring.

17. CITY CLERK/TREASURER CHAMBERLIN:

- a. **Consent agenda**
 - i. Claims to be approved: \$98,678.72.
 - ii. Building Permits to be approved:

****2021-030 On Hold for Dollar Tree**

****2021-073 On Hold**

2021-092	Bryan McDowell	203 S Central	L1,B18, ORIGINAL	Replace Door
2021-094	Phil Johnson	2426 3 RD ST NW	L5,B1, Hilltop Enprise	Covered Porch
2021-093	MISSING			
2021-095	Richland Law & Justice Center	300 12 TH AVE NW	L1,B1, Richland Justice Sub	Remodel
2021-096	Scott Dornfeld	108 4 TH ST SE	L7B,B22	Remodel
2021-097	Derek Judd	522 34 th AVE NW	L7,B8 Wagon Wheel Sub.	New Mobile Home
2021-098	Sheldon Milender	349 22 nd AVE NW	SEC 292,T23N, R59E	Overhang Addition
2021-099	Signs of Sidney	401 N Central	L4,B1, North Central	Sign
2021-100	Michael Donvan	211 14 th ST SW	L13,B2 Johnson Second	Fence

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Shanks did mention that the City of Sidney did receive another oil and gas payment in the amount of \$33,414.44 for the 4th quarter of 2020. Motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Alderman Koffler, and Alderwoman Rasmussen seconded the motion. With no further discussion, all present voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

ATTEST:

MAYOR NORBY

CITY CLERK

DATE APPROVED