

## Regular Meeting Minutes

### Ramona Town Board

The Ramona Town Board met Tuesday, July 10, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the Ramona Community Building with members Larry Malcomb, Tony Fischer and Lisa Beyer present. Also present Elizabeth Whitethorn and Avery Hyland.

Meeting was called to order. Previous meeting minutes were read. One correction noted. Two culverts in town were flushed, not replaced. Motion by Malcomb, seconded by Beyer to approve minutes as corrected.

Elizabeth Whitethorn addressed the board regarding the public comment section of the meeting and if she were on the agenda would she get more time. The board will limit comments to three minutes. Questions and/or concerns can be emailed prior to the meeting to: townoframona@alliancecom.net.

Elizabeth asked if the water grant had been applied for. She also asked about the status of a fire ordinance that Myron Nagel had discussed with the board. She asked about the noise ordinance, mowing, and mosquitoes on the lot next to her.

Mosquito spraying has been done in Ramona twice.

Discussion was had on the tree dump. Fischer pushed up the trees. The fence will need to be replaced, as well as the culvert to allow the grinder to get his equipment in.

Road repairs were discussed, we are waiting to get a bid and see what grants are available. Malcomb is meeting with Sioux Valley Energy on July 14, 2023 to discuss possible grants and the board is looking into the Community Access Grants.

Malcomb signed an agreement with DGR Engineering for professional services.

Discussion on late fee for water samples.

The meeting minutes from April 2023 were discussed with the following correction noted. The board approved reinvesting the certificate of deposit with First National Bank ending in 7472 that matured on April 16, 2023, into a new certificate of deposit at 4.05% APR with a 15-month term.

Bar business was discussed. The ice maker will be replaced. Fischer has been looking for a new one, and estimates the cost to be \$3,500 - \$4,000. Stewart will look into a Sam's Club membership for the bar. Avery Hyland gave a bar report and asked about the possibility of an increase in pay. The board will discuss this and get back to her. When school starts two bartenders have stated they will be cutting back on hours. Hyland will advertise for bartenders and for someone to lease the bar.

Review of reports and bills. Motion by Beyer, seconded by Malcomb, to pay the following bills:

General Account: USPS, stamps, 126.00/ Xcel Energy, util, 1165.13; Menard's, culvert & locks, 1002.45; Bud's Clean Up, garbage, 912.00; Column Software, publishing, 66.39; Krug Products, hoses, 216.81; Mid-American Energy, util, 15.63; Larry Malcomb, wages, 92.35; Lisa Beyer, wages, 69.26; Tony Fischer, wages, 69.26; Meegan Stewart, wages, 361.75; Tony Fischer, reimb repairs, 68.12; Lammers, Kleibacker, Dawson, & Miller, LLP, prof fees, 76.00; EFTPS, payroll tax, 214.76.

Water Account: SD Assoc of Rural Water Systems, dues, 360.00; Kingbrook, water, 2304.55; Xcel Energy, util, 81.77; Paul Fischer, wages, 61.09; Meegan Stewart, wages, 361.75; Town-Gen, payroll tax, 186.62; Rural Dev, loan pymt, 246.00; DANR Fiscal Office, penalty, 100.00; Public Health Lab, samples, 15.00.

Sewer Account: Xcel Energy, util, 90.09; Paul Fischer, wages, 249.34; Town-Gen, payroll tax, 41.32; Rural Dev, loan pymt, 307.00.

Bar Account: Danelle Fink, wages, 74.81; Maren Fischer, wages, 141.29; Avery Hyland, wages, 401.72; Sarah Kelm, wages, 246.58; Angela Matson, wages, 462.68, Town Gen, payroll tax, 219.84; Beal Dist, beer, 3598.40; Dakota Bev, beer, 1682.50; Bud's, garbage, 43.77; Chesterman, pop, 176.00; Alliance, phone/cable/internet, 223.00; Johnson Bros, liquor, 1078.99; Mid-American, util, 13.63; Sunshine, pizza/chips/pop, bar supplies, 1216.30; The office, pizza, 413.25; Xcel Energy, util 559.24; Dakota Bev, beer, 1139.55; SD State Treas, sales tax, 712.24; Petty Cash, advertizing, supplies, food/candy/pop, 327.93; Southern Glazers, liquor, 62.97; Core-Mark, tobacco/bar supplies, food, 2305.37; Midwest Alarm, security, 49.99; RNDC, liquor, 467.50.

The board entered into executive session and 7:31 pm to discuss personnel and water bills. Malcomb declared the board out of executive session at 7:43 pm.

LD & Jeannie Henrichs requested approval to move a trailer onto their property behind their house. Motion by Fischer seconded by Malcomb to approve.

No further business. Motion by Malcomb, seconded by Fischer to adjourn.

Meegan Stewart

Finance Officer

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