

LEAD CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
April 3, 2023

The Lead City Commission met on Tuesday, April 3, 2023, in City Hall, 801 West Main Street at 5:00 PM with the following members present: Mayor Ron Everett, and Commissioners Kayla Klein, Roger Thomas, Colin Greenfield and Steve Stewart. Absent: None. Mayor Ron Everett called the Regular Meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Minutes of March 20, 2023, Regular meeting are approved as read.

ITEMS FROM VISITORS

1. Letter from Chad Blair representing the Lead-Deadwood Youth Advocacy Group:

The Northern Black Hills are an amazing place to grow up. But being a kid in a rural area like ours also comes with challenges. Our youth don't have access to nearly as many extracurricular activities - sports, art, music, and education - as children in larger communities, and this puts them at a disadvantage for success later in life. It also makes them more likely to leave our towns when they grow older.

A Community Youth Activities Director for Lead and Deadwood could help bridge this opportunity gap and create new ways for our kids to thrive and succeed right here in our hometowns. The benefits of hiring this individual would include:

- Providing one central point of contact to promote communication between facilities, teams/coaches, organization directors, sponsorship organizations, community decision makers.
- Improving communication between programming sources and parents/children
- Broadening the depth and breadth of programming and activities in the Lead/Deadwood communities
- Writing grants to help fund programming
- Promoting sports and activity tourism in the communities

Creating a vibrant and thriving community goes beyond how many outsiders walk through our proverbial turnstyles. Visitors are great, but the lifeblood of our communities are our citizens and they should come first.

I strongly believe the cities of Lead and Deadwood should combine resources to create this full-time, highly competitive paid administrative position with appropriate operating budget.

Funding a new position isn't a decision to be taken lightly, but investing in our youth is one of the most important things we can do as a community, and there are measurable

short-term and long-term benefits. Students who participate in extracurricular activities:

- ...are 30-50% less likely to commit a juvenile crime. This means fewer court and law enforcement costs, and less property damage.
- ...have higher rates of community involvement and academic achievement.
- ...go on to be adults with higher salaries and better management skills.

At the end of the day, this shouldn't be a tough ask. And I understand that the first question will likely be, "how can we afford to do this?" But, my question to you will be, how can we afford not to?

It's not often that a community has an opportunity to make an investment that starts to pay off immediately and generates returns for generations. This is one of those times.

Together, we can help build a better future for our kids and promote the survival and growth of our communities in the years to come.

I appreciate your time and consideration on this matter. Best Regards,

Thomas stated he would like to form a committee to discuss all of these matters.

Mayor Everett stated the committee gathering will point everyone in the right direction. Everett stated he was also a coach and volunteer for many years and sympathizes with citizens.

Klein stated she appreciates the commitment and volunteering to the children and the commitment from all of the people at the meeting who introduced and told a little bit about themselves. She applauds the audience for this. Klein agrees and commits to finding multiple solutions.

Chad Blair stated how do we reach the kids that don't have parents that don't show up and how do we change the children's directory.

Mayor Everett stated he completely agrees and would like to find a solution.

2. Sarah Canida with the Lead Deadwood Chamber stated the Lead Deadwood Community Foundation Chili Feed, will be this Thursday 5pm Deadwood Mountain Grand. This will be a Lead Area Chamber of Commerce & Deadwood: Chamber of Commerce Mixer. \$8 per person to attend.
3. Jason Bauernfeind thanked the City of Deadwood Crew for their donation.
4. Kayla Klein stated there is an event planning meeting this Thursday Morning at Rustic Nook Bakery 9AM for the 4th of July and Renaissance Fair.

PLANNING & ZONING/HIST.PRES. /COMP PLAN

1. Gordon Phillips—Comprehensive Plan—Community input meetings, Sanford Lab- Tuesday, April 25th, 1:30-2:30PM—Thursday April 27th 5:30-6:30 and in case one of the storms come up the alternative date will be Tuesday May 2nd.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

1. New Hire—M/Stewart, S/Klein- Carried to more Austine Wilson from part-time to full-time police officer starting at a rate of \$23.00/hr. for 90-day probationary period then to \$24.00/hr. effective May 1, 2023

STREETS/UTILITIES/BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

1. Bid Approval—Mill/Miners Avenue
 - i. Mill Street—A & L Construction bid for Mill Street Project \$1,482,429.90- M/Greenfield, S/Thomas- Carried to approve Mill Street A & L Construction bid for Mill Street Project in the amount of \$1,482,429.90.
 - ii. Miners Avenue—GTI Corporation bid for Miners Avenue Project \$1,207,209.00
Mayor Everett stated GTI is waiting for paperwork for the CDBG Grant so at this time the Commission cannot award the bid. Mayor Everett stated since they are the only bidder, they would like to negotiate the price.
M/Stewart, S/Thomas- Carried to approve negotiating GTI Corporation on the price of the Mill Street project.
2. Take Bids for S. Lead Cemetery until April 17, 2023 (3 Year Contract)
3. Employee Travel Request- M/Klein, S/Greenfield- Carried to approve sending two employees to a weeklong CDL Class not to exceed \$4400.00.

BILLS

M/Thomas, S/Klein- Carried to approve the Bills in the amount of \$196,884.25 (payables) \$132,175.49 and (wages) \$64,708.76.

Vendor	Amount
A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$ 398.17
AVERA HEALTH PLANS	\$ 41,721.60
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL & JANITORIAL, INC.	\$ 378.15
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$ 19,628.60
COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 207.72
DEMCO	\$ 232.94
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	\$ 40.25
GALLS, INC.	\$ 344.66
HANDLEY CENTER	\$ 8,750.00
HEARST LIBRARY	\$ 127.80
HISTORIC HOMESTAKE OPERA HOUSE	\$ 2,083.33
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO.	\$ 215.59
INTERSTATE ENGINEERING, INC.	\$ 399.00
JACOBS PRECISION WELDING, INC.	\$ 866.43
JENNER EQUIPMENT, INC.	\$ 204.92
JOHNS & KOSEL, PROF. LLC	\$ 540.00
KNECHT HOME CENTER/SPEARFISH	\$ 32.59
LANCE WEILER	\$ 42.00
LAWRENCE COUNTY AUDITOR	\$ 699.00
LEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 5,000.00
LYNN'S	\$ 112.22
GARY MCNALL	\$ 1,212.58
MENARDS	\$ 103.96
MICOLE DAVIS	\$ 46.62
MILE UP MARKETING SOLUTIONS	\$ 225.00
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	\$ 2,195.00
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC	\$ 164.45
S&C CLEANERS	\$ 861.00
SOLAR SOUND CORP	\$ 204.82
DR. REID STONE, DDS	\$ 800.00
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS, INC.	\$ 912.21
STURGIS RESPONDER SUPPLY	\$ 1,388.03
THE HARTFORD	\$ 365.74
TRIPLE K TIRE & REPAIR, INC.	\$ 243.98
TWIN CITY HARDWARE	\$ 474.48
VIGILANT BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$ 54.00
AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 240.24
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	\$ 39,185.63
FIRST NATIONAL CREDIT CARD	\$ 1,472.78
Total Amount	\$ 132,175.49
Mayor/Commission	\$ 1,246.60
Finance	\$ 5,937.97
Govt Buildings	\$ 2,273.25
Police	\$ 18,246.55
Snow	\$ 18,542.90
Health/Inspections	\$ 2,555.67
Parks	\$ 1,769.68
Library	\$ 6,480.39
Water	\$ 7,655.75
Total Amount	\$ 64,708.76

ITEMS FROM MAYOR & COMMISSIONERS

1. Next Regular Meeting—Monday, April 17, 2023 @ 5:00 PM
2. Two Commission Seats up for Election
 - i. Election—April 11, 2023, 7a.m.-7 p.m. Lead Visitor Center
 - ii. Early voting ballots can be cast at City Hall.
3. Commissioner Forum—April 4, 2023, 5:30 p.m. City of Lead streamed through Facebook Live.

4. Mayor Everett announced the Handley Center is on need of several Board Members. Please contact Darla Auld if you are interested.

HEARING

1. Application for a New Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License—Freedom Foods DBA Outlaw at 161 W. Main Street Suite B.

Mayor Everett Opened the Hearing.

Mayor Everett Closed the Hearing

M/Greenfield, S/Thomas-Carried to approve new license for Freedom Foods Inc DBA Outlaw for a Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License.

MEETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Planning & Zoning- April 11th @ 5:00 PM Lead City Hall
- b. Comprehensive Plan- April 20th @ 11:00 AM Lead City Hall
- c. Historic Preservation- April 19th @ 5:00 PM Lead City Hall

ADJOURN

M/Klein, S/Stewart—Carried to adjourn Regular Meeting at 5:39PM.

CITY OF LEAD

ATTEST

Ron Everett, Mayor
(SEAL)

John Wainman, City Administrator