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APRIL 19, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The City Council reviewed the Emergency Resolution effective on April 9, 2021 encouraging the use of face coverings or facemasks in buildings open to the public. The City Council also reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1432 which was effective on April 17, 2021. This Emergency Ordinance requires the posting of a sign at the entrance(s) to buildings open to the public stating that Face Masks are Expected per City Resolution. No changes were made to either document. Emergency Ordinances and Resolutions are reviewed at each regular City Council meeting during the 60-day life of the document. The fine for a violation of Emergency Ordinance 1432 is \$56.50 plus court costs of \$72.50, for a total fine of \$129.

A proclamation recognizing Friday, April 30, 2021 as Arbor Day was read.

A retail on-off sale wine and cider license for the Vermillion Cultural Association for the Coyote Twin was approved. A Special Daily malt beverage and wine license for the South Dakota Shakespeare Festival at Prentis Park for June 17-20, 2021 was approved. A permit for the consumption of alcohol in the Café Brule sidewalk seating area was also approved.

A special permit to exceed permissible sound levels by no more than 50% from 5 pm to dark for a Vermillion's Got Talent show on July 9-10 (rain date of July 16-17) sponsored by the Vermillion Community Theater was approved. A related request for the closure of E. Main St from Plum St. to Walker St. during the event on July 10 or 17 was also approved.

A Resolution to name the Large Conference Room on the 2nd floor of City Hall as the John E. (Jack) Powell conference room was approved. A plaque will be placed in the conference room noting Jack's many community contributions.

An agreement with Vermillion Mobile Home Park for the reselling of water and sanitary sewer services was approved.

A Resolution to enter into a purchase agreement for 207 W. Duke Street from Stonington, LLC was approved.

Alexis Oskolkoff and Jordan Bonstrom were appointed to three-year terms on the Human Relations Commission. Expression of Interest forms for the 1-year post graduate student position are still being accepted.

A Resolution to apply for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for Lions Park campground work was approved.

The purchase of a used garbage truck for \$43,500 for use on the commercial recycling route from Sanitation Products was approved. Change order #3 in the amount of \$8,094 for the renovation work at the recycling center was also approved.

Vehicles and equipment were declared surplus for sale at the City Auction on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at the Service Center. A 2005 Police Department motorcycle was also declared surplus to be sold via Purple Wave, an online auction service.

Sanitary sewer rates were reviewed based on winter water consumption. There will be no change to the rates at this time.

An agreement with USD to close four parking spaces on E. Cedar Street and temporarily relocate portions of Dakota Street and E. Clark Street sidewalks within the public right-of-way for the Lee Medical School building addition was approved.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

One three-year term on the Library Board is expiring in May. Expression of Interest forms are due by 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 29, 2021. The City Council would make the appointment at the May 3, 2021 meeting.

Raffle notification: Lexie McKee-Hemenway was running a civic engagement project from April 12-19, 2021. The \$1 raffle tickets provided an opportunity to win a Finals Survival or Summer Kick-off basket valued between \$50 and \$80. Proceeds from the raffle were going to Planned Parenthood and Vermillion DVSOS.

Amber Brooks, John Jury, Gina Mockler and Rod Oberle were appointed to the Bluffs Golf Course Advisory Board.

Absentee voting at the Clay County Auditor's office for the June 8, 2021 election begins on Friday, April 23, 2021.

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