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MAY 2, 2022 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

Proclamations recognizing May 1-7, 2022 as Public Service Recognition Week and May 8-14, 2022 as Turquoise Takeover Week were read. The accent lights on Main Street will be blue for the American Lung Association's Takeover Week.

The second reading of Ordinance 1463 to create a Light Industrial zoning district for the community was approved. The second reading of Ordinance 1464 to rezone portions of Vermillion below the bluff adjacent to the railroad, and adjacent to West Street, Chestnut Street, Broadway Street, Amber Street, 12th Street, Luxemburg Street, Austin Street, and Bloomingdale Street was tabled until the June 6, 2022 City Council meeting.

A 3-year agreement with the University of South Dakota to provide Vermillion Police Department law enforcement powers to officers of the University Police Department was approved.

The use of a rolling barricade on Main Street from Plum Street to High Street on Sunday, May 15, 2022 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm for the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Special Olympics South Dakota was approved.

The temporary closing of N. Pine Street from E. National Street to E. Cedar Street on Thursday, August 18, 2022 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for Alpha Phi's Sorority bid day event was approved.

The temporary closing of Rose Street from 5:00 am to 4:00 pm and N. Plum Street from E. Cherry Street to Highway 50 from 6:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday, August 19, 2022 for USD's Move-in Day event were approved.

A report on changes to previously tabled Ordinances 1337 and 1338 to provide for backyard chickens and chicken coops as accessory buildings was presented. Ordinance 1337 will be considered at the May 16, 2022 City Council meeting. Ordinance 1338 will be considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 23, 2022.

Eric Young and Wayne Berninger were appointed to three-year terms on the Library Board of Trustees.

Bids were awarded for the monthly fuel purchase, 2022 chip seal project, and landfill bale bags. Bids for the Prentis Park outfield project planned for this year were not accepted due to the cost substantially exceeding the budget.

City Manager's Report:

The City Council will hear first reading of Ordinance 1465 to rezone land addressed as 1919 W. Cherry Street from A-1 Agricultural to LI Light industrial for a Grain Terminal / Grain Processing facility. Clay County will hear the item at their meeting on May 31, 2022. Second reading of the ordinance would be a joint meeting that is not yet scheduled.

The Planning and Zoning Commission meets on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 5:30pm. The only item on their agenda at this time is a conditional use permit for a dog kennel operation on Cornell Street.

Main Street from the alley adjacent to CorTrust Bank to High Street will be closed Saturday, May 7 from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm for a fundraising event at the Eagles Club.

The landfill and recycling center are open on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. The landfill will be open from 8:00 am to Noon. The recycling center will be open from 9:00 am to Noon on May 14, 2022.

The City auction is this Friday, May 6, 2022 at 5:30 pm at the Municipal Service Center – 115 West Duke Street.

The City's Historic Preservation Commission meets at 9:00 am on Wednesday, May 4. The Human Relations Commission meets at 5:00 pm on Thursday, May 5, 2022. Both meetings are in the Powell Conference Room at City Hall.

A plat for BDC Addition (Starbucks site) was administratively approved by the City.

MidAmerican Energy will present their annual report to the City Council at the May 16, 2022 meeting.

Kelsey Collier-Wise, Mayor

Travis Letellier
Julia Hellwege

Brian Humphrey
Vacant seat

Steve Ward
Rich Holland

Lindsey Jennewein
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