MINUTES May 8, 2023

The City Council of Badger met in regular session at 6:40 p.m. at Badger City Hall with Mayor Chris Wendell presiding. Council members present: Roger Curtis, Pam Smith and Gail Higgins. Absent: Teresa Larson-White and Larry Dunbar. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Curtis, second by Higgins, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Higgins, second by Smith, all ayes, motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of minutes from the April 10th meeting, Clerk/Treasurer report for April, bills in the amount of \$7,770.92, and approval of Badger FastWay Tobacco Permit. Under communications and reports, Library Director, Tammy Jones had presented her written report on library activities and happenings but was not present. Next on the agenda was Public Works Department reports. Water/Wastewater Operator Craig Larson discussed his written report on amounts of water/sewage production/disposal for April and the conditions of the lagoons. He also reported the sandblasting and painting of the interior tanks at the water plant had been completed and that Maguire Iron will be painting the interior of the water tower at the end of May or early June. Mark Wertz, Public Works, provided his written report to Council which included numerous maintenance tasks, work with equipment, utility locates, etc. but was not present. Glenda Rasmussen, City Clerk, presented her written report to Council. Her report included a letter from Town & Country Vet clinic announcing that they would no longer be acting as the county dog pound as of June 30th, and the quote for the gravel extension of 5th Ave SE for a new house had come in under the approved \$5,000 limit. Under Council reports, Smith asked about dogs running at large. Mayor again informed everyone that Webster County Animal Protection had already made 2 attempts at locating two particular dogs and said if anyone sees the dogs and can get pictures, that will help in identifying them and the owner so that action can be taken. Curtis asked to have public works start filling potholes. Mayor reported that he and the city attorney are working on contacting and determining ownership of a camper at 105 1st Ave NE where it is illegally occupied. The employee handbook was reviewed and changes adding a seat belt policy and Christmas Eve day as a paid holiday were discussed. Motion to approve those changes was introduced by Smith, second by Higgins, all ayes, motion carried. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Curtis, second by Higgins, all ayes, motion carried. Adjournment at 7:18 p.m.

Glenda R. Rasmussen City Clerk