

City Council Meeting Minutes (Approved)  
October 9, 2007

Present at the meeting: Kim Ebnet, Mike Odden, Lloyd Rausch, Dick Paggen, Ernie Schmit, Vicki Statz, Louise Winkler, Joe Scepaniak, Bill Scepaniak, Pat Meier

Mayor Ernie Schmit called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Mike Odden to approve the checks. AIF

A motion was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Dick Paggen to approve the September meeting minutes. AIF

The mayor gave his monthly report. See end of minutes for full details.

Pat Meier, Liquor Store manager, gave his report. The Liquor Store will be having a band play on Friday, October 26, 2007. Mayor Schmit asked Pat for an inventory at last month's meeting. Pat and Pam took inventory the early part of October. Inventory at the end of 2006: \$41,096.43 Inventory on Oct. 8 2007: \$40,236.19

		October, 2007	LIQUOR STORE REPORT	
		GROSS RECEIPTS		
SEPTEMBER	2007	\$ 28,122.71	GROSS RECEIPTS	\$ 28,122.71
AUGUST	2007	\$ 31,279.64		
SEPTEMBER	2006	\$ 28,751.35	PREVIOUS GROSS	\$ 238,288.96
Lottery'07 September		\$ 503.35	'07 GROSS	\$ 266,411.67
'07 YTD		\$ 4,016.11	07 EXPENSES	\$ 261,945.44
			PROFIT/(LOSS)	4,466.23
GT BANK		\$ 10,060.22	NET PROFIT LOTTERY	\$ 4,016.11
			BAND REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 1,333.00
'06 CD	\$10,000	'07 CD \$10,000	TOTAL PROFIT (LOSS)	\$ 9,815.34

Fire Chief, Pat Meier gave the Fire Department report. There have been 71 calls so far this year. The truck fund has \$11,208.98. Donations for the Ram and accessories was received from the Fire Relief Association and SnoFlyers. It was reported that there was a slow response to the fire call on 9-20-07. This was due to many towers being knocked off line because of the electrical storm. Other city's also reported being knocked off line for a time.

We are close to closing the \$65,829 Homeland security grant. We will be writing up the narrative on it on Wednesday. The 2007 EMV and percentages were sent to the Fire Department. There has not been much change from last year to this year. The percentages for the townships and city of Holdingford are: Krain 12.714%; Brockway, 19.151%; Holding 53.324% and City of Holdingford 14.811%.

There is concern with the Fire Hall ceiling having screws from the new roof repair showing through that condensation in the winter may form. They will keep a watch on this over the winter.

Old gear from the Fire Department will be donated to a non profit organization in St. Cloud for Guatemala or to the VoTech.

Mayor Schmit will be calling our building inspector to go over what we as a city expect from our building inspector. The city clerk is to call her for the dates she has when she did final inspections on permits issued.

Phase II of the Ridgeview Addition was discussed. The south end of Main Street (south of Park Street) will be extended approximately 875 feet. Because of a pre-existing water drainage issue, it was decided on a motion by Dick Paggen, seconded by Kim Ebnet that the city will pay the cost of one manhole and two catch basins where Main and Park Streets intersect and the piping for storm water run off from Park Street approximately 190 feet south to the next catch basin and pay 1/2 the cost of the approximate 160 foot storm water pipe to the drainage pond. The city will also split the cost difference between an 8" and 10" water main pipe with the Ridgeview developers. AIF

Concerning the Elder Friendly request for street safety improvements in the downtown area, Mayor Schmit will contact Stearns County about putting up 20 mile an hour speed signs at both ends of Co. Rd 62, from Co. Rd. 17 and Washington Street that There is also a request that the 30 mile an hour speed limit sign at the south end of Co. Rd 9 be put at the city limits, just south of Ridge Way.

There will be a Stearns County Municipal City League meeting on Tuesday, October 16, in Paynesville. Mayor Schmit asked the council who would be willing to join him at this meeting. Lloyd Rausch said he could go.

The park shelter rentals for the summer were discussed. The city clerk is to talk to Cyril Ebnet about the list he gave to the council.

The regular council meeting was suspended at this time for a closed meeting. The council met in closed meeting concerning a personnel issue.

After the closed meeting, the regular council meeting was resumed. Dick Paggen made a motion to accept the resignation of bartender Betty Gaida, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

The city council went over City Ordinances 50 and 51. These were on Garbage and Rubbish and Sewer Regulations.

Dick Paggen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF Meeting ended at 9:45 p.m. AIF

Respectfully submitted,  
Victoria R. Statz, City Clerk