

City Council Meeting Minutes (Approved)
June 13, 2011

Present at the meeting:, Mike Odden, Lloyd Rausch, Susan Marstein, Ernie Schmit, Kim Ebnet, Vicki Statz, Pat Meier, Gordon Sjaaheim, Dave Yurczyk, Dorine Rausch, Robin and Larry Johnson, Nicole and Jesse Johnson, Jeremy Freudenrich, Milt Eiden, Rod Harren, Scott Lange.

Mayor Ernie Schmit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to approve checks was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Sue Marstein. AIF

Motion to approve bank reconciliation was made by, Sue Marstein, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

Motion to approve electronic transfers, debit card purchases was made by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF

Motion to approve minutes of the May 9, 2011 council meeting was made by Kim Ebnet seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

Mayor Ernie Schmit gave his mayor's report. See end of minutes for details.

Liquor Store manager, Pat Meier, gave his report. Total revenue so far this year is \$3,560.35, including lottery. The liquor store is open on Sunday's for watching racing and MN Twins baseball.

Fire Department report was given by Fire Chief, Pat Meier. There have been a total of 35 calls as of this date. Breakdown is: 1 mutual aid to Albany Township and 1 mutual aid to Two Rivers Township; 6 for Brockway, 11 for the City; 13 for Holding; and 3 for Krain. He talked about the different grant and how the Fire Department has put them to good use with training and equipment. Dorine Rausch explained how valuable the convention is to the Fire Department, the different sessions of training. She also stated that Stearns County will no longer request spotters for bad weather. This will now be done by the local fire chief's at their discretion. Dave Yurczyk talked about the training schedule. All training schedules can be viewed on the city website calendar. He also stated that the city needs to be in compliance with having a safety committee. Pat requested a resolution from the city council to apply for a FEMA grant for airpaks. **Resolution 11-06-13-03** was passed on a motion by Sue Marstein, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

Old Business

Scott Lange talked about the weekly meeting times for the project. WWTP will be every Wednesday at 3 p.m., Street utilities meeting will be 4 p.m., and the public meeting will now be at 6 p.m. so more in the community may attend. It looks like the project may be expanding to the south of Washington St on Main St and on 3rd St. Temporary financing has been set up with rural water via **Resolution 11-06-13-04**. Motion to approve the awarding of sale of the \$3,873,000 General Obligation Water and Sewer Revenue Bond Anticipation Master Note of 2011 was made by Sue Marstein, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

HD Supply, the low bidder for the water meters for the city, has asked to be released from their bid. There was a misinterpretation of wording of the quote manual. HD will not be able to supply the number of American made meters for this project. **Resolution 11-06-13-05** to accept rescinding of this bid was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF At the July meeting the city should be able to go ahead with the second high bidder, Dakota Supply with changes from their quote.

New Business

The Corporate Resolution (11-06-13-01) from Stearns Bank on establishing a new account number for payment of this project was made by Sue Marstein, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF

Motion to approve the American Legion liquor license for 2011-12 was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

Motion to approve Moonshiner's liquor license for 2011-12 contingent they get all their paperwork completed and to the city clerk was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Sue Marstein. AIF

Motion to allow Gary Fisher to cut grass at 130 Washington St, a foreclosed home, at the discretion of our maintenance men as to how often it will need cutting, was made by Sue Marstein, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF

Rod Harren, from the Lion's Club, asked to have a gambling permit for the Holdingford Area Community Picnic held in August.

Resolution 11-06-13-06 was made on a motion by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

The list of delinquent utilities for June:-- Moonshiner's \$1,767.32; Roger Richter \$364.36; Matt Philippi \$312.88; Bonnie Gertken \$297.40.

The Xtratyme non contract was discussed. The city has been without a signed contract with them since they purchased the rights from Surfsota late last year. The council decided to go ahead with initiating internet service with Stearns Comsis on a motion from Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF This will be for our water tower/well service as well as city hall internet service.

Resolution 11-06-13-02 Holdingford Daze celebration. The city council on a motion by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Sue Marstein endorses the Commercial Club's holding of Holdingford Daze and all its activities, including the street dance to be held Saturday, July 9, 2011. AIF

Motion to re-insure the old Maintenance building (now to be called the Mercantile Building) was made by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF The Holdingford Area Historical Society (HAHS) will be reshingling the roof in preparation of making this building into a community museum.

Resolution 11-06-13-07 was passed on a motion made by Sue Marstein, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF . This resolution approves the Council on Local Results and Innovation, put out by our 2010 Legislature. There will be a questionnaire coming from the city sometime in late 2011 on this.

Replacing the downed fencing at Veteran's Park and at the WWTP from wind/storm damage last August had an estimate from Allen Fedor of Advance Fence & Deck, LLC for \$761. Motion to approve having this fixed was made by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Sue Marstein. AIF

The council has been informed of the retirement of Jerry Schueler effective Friday, August 12, 2011. Council accepted his letter of resignation on a motion by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF Motion to begin the process of hiring another maintenance person was made by Sue Marstein, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF Advertising for this position will be in the Sunday St. Cloud Times, the Albany Enterprise, the Morrison County Record, on our website: www.holdingfordmn.us and with Job Force of MN. Applications will need to be at the city offices by Friday July 15th. There will be a closed meeting on Monday, July 18th to go review the applications for interviews.

Motion to have SEH offices to do reporting on prevailing wage for Rural Development project was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

Holdingford school district has asked if they can use our voting machines for their school board election on Tuesday, November 8, 2011. Council approved it. Also the city clerk has been asked to be the head election judge for their election. Council gave okay for her to take off work to do this.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria R. Statz
City Clerk