

City Council Meeting Minutes (Approved)  
And Public Hearing  
March 10, 2008

Present at the meeting: Kim Ebnet, Mike Odden, Lloyd Rausch, Dick Paggen, Ernie Schmit, Vicki Statz, Louise Winkler, Gordon Sjaaheim, Pat Meier, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Berscheid, Janelle Kendall, Mathew Quinn, Gary Lange, Tim and Becky Kelly, Donna and Bob Pueringer, Louis Walz.

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

The mayor gave the floor to Stearns County Attorney, Janelle Kendall. She gave the council an update for the prosecutions they did for the city in 2007. There were a total of 33 prosecutions, 30 misdemeanors and 3 gross misdemeanors. The attorney's contract is up at the end of 2008, she doesn't foresee an increase in the cost, currently \$3,000/year. Her complete report is on file at the city clerk's office.

Motion to pay bills was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

Motion to accept February, 2008 council minutes was made by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Dick Paggen. AIF

Liquor Store Manager, Pat Meier, gave his report. Upcoming events: a Wii bowling tournament on March 15 and the live band called Corridor on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

		March, 2008	LIQUOR STORE REPORT	
		GROSS RECEIPTS		
FEBRUARY	2008	\$ 24,335.10	GROSS RECEIPTS	\$ 24,335.10
JANUARY	2008	\$ 27,678.37		
FEBRUARY	2007	\$ 22,834.09	PREVIOUS GROSS	\$ 27,678.37
Lottery'08 February		\$ 431.51	'08 GROSS	\$ 52,013.47
'08 YTD		\$ 1,107.20	'08 EXPENSES	\$ 44,117.57
			PROFIT/(LOSS)	\$ 7,895.90
GT BANK		\$ 12,545.27	NET PROFIT LOTTERY	\$ 1,107.20
'06 CD	\$10,000	'07 CD \$10,000	TOTAL PROFIT (LOSS)	\$ 9,003.10

Fire Department report was given by Fire Chief Pat Meier. There have been 14 incidents so far this year, 2 Brockway, 3 Holding, 8 City, 1 Krain. Pat requested that the FD go for a DHS (Department of Homeland Security) grant for purchase of air packs. Lloyd Rausch made a motion for the FD to pursue the DHS grant, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF. The firefighters attended refresher courses last month. One firefighter has sent a letter of retirement; one firefighter has requested a leave of absence.

The regular council meeting was suspended at this time (7:30 pm.) to hold a public hearing on liquor license increases. Mayor Schmit talked about the American Legion obtaining a regular liquor license, and not a club license. The Legion will be applying for a regular liquor license. Tim Kelly asked the council how high they anticipate raising the liquor rates over the next several years. Hearing no other public comments, the mayor closed the public hearing at 8 p.m. on a motion by Mike Odden, seconded by Dick Paggen. AIF

The council made the following changes to the liquor license fees:

- On Sale \$600 Motion by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF
- Sunday Liquor \$200 Motion by Mike Odden, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF
- One-day license \$ 25 Motion by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF
- Wine license \$125 No change
- Set-Up license \$125 No change
- Club license \$300 Motion by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF
- 3.2 On Sale \$150 Motion by Mike Odden, seconded by Dick Paggen. AIF

Mayor Ernie Schmit gave his monthly report. One of the items in his report Mike Odden explained.

Mike Odden explained that the Historical Society will have their next meeting on Monday April 7, 2008 at city hall. They will be showing many details about the history of our city, including a list of all the former mayors, former city council members and much, much more. They will explain ideas on the upcoming sesquicentennial walkway that will be put in behind the Liquor Store to the Lake Wobegon Trail. These historical meetings are always open to the public. There will be refreshments served. See end of minutes for complete mayor's report.

Marcus Berscheid addressed the council concerning his special assessments on his property. At the last meeting it was decided by the council to half the assessment on his property from \$4,406 to \$2,203 payable to the city over the next 15 years, having this amount put on his property tax statement. Mr. Berscheid offered the council an alternative of paying a lump sum of \$1,800. The council decided on a motion by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden that they would accept a lump sum payment of \$2,000 paid by the end of March, 2008. AIF If not paid, the \$2,203 will be put on his property tax statement.

Mike Odden rescinded his motion on Resolution 08-02-11-03, for the Commercial Club holding a spring drawing on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Kim Ebnet. A new motion was made to hold the Commercial Club spring drawing on Friday, April 11. Motion made by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF

Mike Odden rescinded his motion from the December 10, 2007 council meeting regarding a Warranty Deed being given to Louis Walz on the abandoned well property, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF Motion was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Lloyd Rausch to transfer by Quit Claim Deed the property where the Old Old Well #1 was located, now abandoned and sealed. Paperwork will be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, then sent to the city attorney for recording, then sent to Mr. Walz. AIF

Applications for the Maintenance Technician position was discussed. The committee will narrow the candidates to be interviewed to ten, then the council will be interviewing them on Monday, March 31. Motion to have a special meeting of the council on Monday, March 31 starting at 6 p.m. was made by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

Mayor Schmit brought up to the council the idea of having the US Army Reserves sleeping accommodations be at the Holdingford Community Center. They will be building the covered bridge over Two Rivers River the first three weekends of May. This was okayed by the council.

A one year extension for Berkon Industries to fulfill its job hiring commitment to its JOBZ program was granted on a motion by Dick Paggen, seconded by Kim Ebnet. AIF. They have met 2 of the 4 job requirements so far.

Board of Equalization on property valuations used for 2009 property taxes will by Thursday, May 8, 2008 here at city hall at 7 p.m.

Mayor Schmit will check into having the city do another round of FDA housing improvements (like This Old House was done in the past). We have tried to get another city or township to go in with us, but so far have been unsuccessful. The city will try to do this on its own. Mayor Schmit will see what can be done.

Rural Development Grant options was discussed. This is through the Initiative Foundation. Mike Odden will be working on this. Through the efforts of Helping Hands we have received a donated computer from the State for community use.

Cleaning the inside of the water tower by Maguire Iron was approved on a motion by Lloyd Rausch, seconded by Dick Paggen. AIF. The council is delaying the washing of the outside of the tower and the purchase of a frost proof valve for draining the tower.

The council approved time off for the city clerk from April 10-18, 2008 to do a humanitarian trip to Mexico on a motion by Mike Odden seconded by Dick Paggen. AIF

The regular meeting was suspended at this time to do a closed meeting on a motion by Kim Ebnet, seconded by Mike Odden. AIF

A motion was made by Mike Odden, seconded by Kim Ebnet to move Anna Philippi up one step, from Step 2 to Step 3 as a result of her annual performance appraisal. AIF

Dick Paggen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lloyd Rausch. AIF

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by city clerk, Victoria Statz.

Liquor Acct:		FEBRUARY		General Acct:	
Name	Salary	Name	Salary		
Pam Voss	\$ 602.89	Jerome Schueler	\$ 2,931.20		
Pat Meier	\$ 3,094.40	Victoria Statz	\$ 2,518.89		
Debbie Meier	\$ 953.25	Kathy O'Hara	\$ 866.13		
Sherry Johnson	\$ 322.88	Herman Ebnet	\$ 3,094.40		
Jackie Hadley	\$ 369.00	Kim Ebnet	\$ 130.00		
Anna Philippi	\$ 519.23	Mike Odden	\$ 130.00		
Total Salary Liquor Store	\$ 6,074.34	Lloyd Rausch	\$ 130.00		
		Richard Paggen	\$ 130.00		
2 Pay periods ending		Ernie Schmit	\$ 230.00		
2/04; 2/19		Total General Salary	\$ 10,160.62		
		Total of General and Liquor and Fire	\$ 16,234.96		

**City of Holdingford1**  
**Accounts Payable Check Register Report - STEARNS BANK-1000141**  
For The Date Range From 2/1/2008 To 2/29/2008  
For All Vendors And For Outstanding, Cleared, Voided Checks - Computer Generated

Check No.	Type	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount	Status
24098	C	2/11/2008	413	9 Seventeen Repair LLC	\$492.11	C
24099	C	2/11/2008	401	ACS Firehouse Solutions	\$106.37	C
24100	C	2/11/2008	7	Aramark Uniform Services	\$89.99	C
24101	C	2/11/2008	326	Auto Value	\$11.70	C
24102	C	2/11/2008	9	Bernick's Pepsi-Cola	\$230.05	C
24103	C	2/11/2008	18	C & L Distributing, Inc	\$1,557.15	C
24104	C	2/11/2008	24	Central-McGowan, Inc	\$11.39	C
24105	C	2/11/2008	36	D & D Oil, Inc	\$611.09	C
24106	C	2/11/2008	405	DVS Renewal	\$43.50	C
24107	C	2/11/2008	53	Ecolab	\$25.56	C
24108	C	2/11/2008	70	Frito-Lay, Inc - 8416	\$67.08	C
24109	C	2/11/2008	74	Gas Service Co	\$2,053.87	C
24110	C	2/11/2008	92	Headley Hardware	\$532.90	C
24111	C	2/11/2008	481	Heggies Pizza	\$22.80	C
24112	C	2/11/2008	97	Henry's Waterworks, Inc	\$230.99	C
24113	C	2/11/2008	106	Holdingford Mill	\$193.25	C
24114	C	2/11/2008	121	KASM Radio	\$208.20	C
24115	C	2/11/2008	126	Korner Mart	\$62.23	C
24116	C	2/11/2008		VOID	\$0	V
24117	C	2/11/2008	161	Mike Odden	\$75.00	C
24118	C	2/11/2008	207	Postmaster	\$41.00	C
24119	C	2/11/2008	212	Qwest	\$174.27	C
24120	C	2/11/2008	216	Reichert, Wenner,Koch	\$130.00	C
24121	C	2/11/2008	235	St Cloud Times	\$53.30	C
24122	C	2/11/2008	391	Stearns Co. Municipal League	\$25.00	O
24123	C	2/11/2008	247	Stearns Cty Publishing, Inc	\$21.00	C
24124	C	2/11/2008	254	Strategic Equipment	\$164.01	C
24125	C	2/11/2008	263	Tom's Refuse	\$4,588.98	C

Check No.	Type	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount	Status
24126	C	2/11/2008	271	UC Lab	\$582.00	C
24127	C	2/11/2008	294	US Cable	\$48.31	C
24128	C	2/11/2008	339	Verizon Wireless	\$13.56	C
24129	C	2/11/2008	281	Viking Coca Cola Bottling	\$790.05	C
24130	C	2/11/2008	285	Bruce Boynton, Sec'y	\$176.00	O
24131	C	2/11/2008	358	XCEL ENERGY 51-5655040-0	\$2,269.07	C
24132	C	2/11/2008	507	Blue Cross/Blue Shield	\$2,205.00	C
24133	C	2/11/2008	323	GTS	\$200.00	C
24134	C	2/28/2008	6	AmeriPride Linen	\$145.94	O
24135	C	2/28/2008	326	Auto Value	\$672.45	O
24136	C	2/28/2008	8	Becker Septic Pumping	\$120.00	O
24137	C	2/28/2008	9	Bernick's Pepsi-Cola	\$539.85	O
24138	C	2/28/2008	18	C & L Distributing, Inc	\$3,254.40	O
24139	C	2/28/2008	25	Centre Jobbing Company	\$998.46	O
24140	C	2/28/2008	48	D & D Beer Co.	\$74.40	O
24141	C	2/28/2008	36	D & D Oil, Inc	\$1,287.26	O
24142	C	2/28/2008	52	E. A. Sween Company	\$166.65	O
24143	C	2/28/2008	70	Frito-Lay, Inc - 8416	\$40.28	O
24144	C	2/28/2008	80	Gopher State One-Call, Inc	\$102.90	O
24145	C	2/28/2008	90	Harry's Frozen Foods	\$106.50	O
24146	C	2/28/2008	91	Hawkins, Inc	\$10.00	O
24147	C	2/28/2008	481	Heggies Pizza	\$33.75	O
24148	C	2/28/2008	119	Johnson Brothers Liquor C	\$1,815.84	O
24149	C	2/28/2008	447	Marco, Inc	\$135.87	O
24150	C	2/28/2008	161	Mike Odden	\$1,463.87	O
24151	C	2/28/2008	531	MN State Retirement System	\$388.41	O
24152	C	2/28/2008	489	Northland Frozen Pizza, Inc	\$49.50	O
24153	C	2/28/2008	442	Petersen's Modern Blacksmith	\$98.90	O
24154	C	2/28/2008	207	Postmaster	\$41.00	O
24155	C	2/28/2008	208	Principal Life	\$457.83	O
24156	C	2/28/2008	532	Schmidt Printing	\$235.37	O
24157	C	2/28/2008	258	The Nut Man	\$77.00	O
24158	C	2/28/2008	263	Tom's Refuse	\$4,555.98	O
24159	C	2/28/2008	339	Verizon Wireless	\$44.98	O
24160	C	2/28/2008	384	XCEL ENERGY 51-336-4 & 8	\$236.41	O
24161	C	2/28/2008	360	XCEL ENERGY 51-5655037-5	\$599.48	O
24162	C	2/28/2008	359	XCEL ENERGY 51-5655038-6	\$1,043.48	O
24163	C	2/28/2008	361	XCEL ENERGY 51-5655039-7	\$685.06	O
24164	C	2/28/2008	383	XCEL ENERGY 51-5655041-1	\$473.55	O
24165	C	2/28/2008	519	Xcel Energy 51-8242904-3	\$8.81	O
24166	C	2/28/2008	291	Yes Co. Inc.	\$248.95	O
24167	C	2/28/2008	292	Ziegler	\$389.29	O
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$38,709.20</b>	