

The Wells City Council met on Monday, July 14, 2003 with Councilmen Carroll, Corbin, Gaines, and Schultz present. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy Clerk Redman, and Reporter Bonsack. Mayor Jacobson called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

Motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried approved the minutes of the June 23, 2003 regular council meeting and the minutes of the June 30, 2003 special meeting.

After review of the monthly bills, motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried approved paying all bills presented in the amount of \$204,062.23. Motion by Schultz, second by Carroll and carried accepted the Revenue/Expenditure Reports for June 2003.

Building Permits were approved as listed on a motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried.

Departmental Reports were next on the agenda. Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved the following department reports; Public Works, Community Development, Library, Police, and Fire Department. Miscellaneous Reports from the Community Center, Liquor Store, Building Permits comparison, Library Automation, Employee comp-time & overtime, Pool, and Theatre attendance were accepted with a motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried.

Motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried approved the Community Center Committee Minutes. Also, at the end of Virgil Breikreutz employment, he will be paid for his accumulated comp hours.

Committee Reports from the Wells EDA and HRA were approved on a motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried.

A report from the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust updated the council on the loss control survey completed by them with regards to the Fire Hall "by-laws" for alcohol.

Motion by Schultz, second by Carroll and carried approved the request from Region Nine Development Commission for \$1000.

The request from Jan Rucker for a street light in the alley of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW was denied at this time. Council believes this request should be brought to the Wells Public Utilities Commission. Councilman Schultz will handle this matter.

A request from Nancy Mershon for (2) two "Watch out for Children" signs to be posted on 5<sup>th</sup> Street SW was presented to council. With a motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried, this request was approved because of the high school traffic.

A complaint was received regarding the lights at the skate-park. No action was taken at this time.

A cat complaint was e-mailed to the city administrator. Ronda will send the woman a copy of the cat ordinance.

Motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried approved the EDA request to receive the farm rent from the North Industrial Park area.

Council reviewed the Letter of Resignation received from Officer John Hass. Motion by Schultz, second by Corbin and carried to table this matter until the next council meeting in order to investigate the city's health insurance plan before a decision can be made.

A letter of rate increase from Mediacom was in the council packet for informational purpose only.

Mosquito spraying was the next item of business to discuss. Council decided to put a 50 cent a month charge on the utility bill earmarking it for mosquito spraying only and to give Street Supervisor LaVallie the okay to order (1) more

30 gal drum of spray for this year. Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried with all councilmen voting yes and Mayor Jacobson voting no.

Budget cuts were tabled until Tuesday, July 22, 2003 when a work session will be held.

City Administrator Allis informed council about the following items: a) Waste Systems would like the city to consider carts for garbage pickup, b) August 20<sup>th</sup> @ Hamilton Hall is a "Salute to Officials" banquet, c) the pool employees will be having a car wash fundraiser, d) guidelines for usage of the Community Center are being formed, e) Ronda's probation period is over, and f) would like to use Frundt & Johnson Attorneys when Randy Bichler is too busy.

Councilman Schultz informed council about an individual who would like to donate money for the purpose of having a basketball court near Half Moon Park by the Skateboard Park.

Next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. With no further business to discuss, Mayor Jacobson adjourned the meeting.  
Deputy Clerk, Deb Redman