

MINUTES

The Wells City Council met on Monday, February 9, 2004 in council chambers at 5 pm. Mayor Jacobson presided with Councilmen Carroll, Corbin, Gaines and Schultz present. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy Clerk Redman, and Reporter Bonsack. Mayor Jacobson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Carroll, second by Corbin and carried approved the minutes of the January 26, 2004 council meeting as written.

The monthly bills were reviewed next. Motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried approved paying the bills totaling \$177,226.41. Also the Balance/Receipt and Revenue/Expense Reports were approved with a motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried.

The (4) four building permits were reviewed and approved on a motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried.

Council reviewed the Public Works Report by Supervisor LaVallie. Ronda is to remind Rick that all his department requests go to the Street Committee first for recommendation to council. The council has already okayed the Forklift and Fire Extinguishers.

Councilman Schultz suggested the vacant lot by the Community Center might be a good location for a duplex. Ronda will pass the information on to Zoa.

Motion by Carroll, second by Corbin and carried approved all the Departmental Reports from Public Works, Community Development, Police, Fire, and Library.

Miscellaneous Reports from Community Center, Liquor, Building Report, Library Automation, Employee Comp-time, and Employee Over-time reports were approved with a motion by Schultz, second by Carroll and carried.

Next on the agenda was the Commission/Committee Reports. Mayor Jacobson would like the Library Board meeting minutes corrected. Items number 1 and 3 need to be reviewed. Motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried approved the reports from Wells Public Utilities, EDA, Planning & Zoning, and Library Board noting the corrections that need to be made.

Motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried approved Ordinance 250; adopting the Minnesota State Building Code.

The Board of Review has been scheduled for May 5, 2004 at 5 pm at City Hall.

Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved the appointment of Larry Majeski as the Wells Planning and Zoning Administrator for 2004.

The request from Police Officer Rick Herman and Liaison Officer Gary Robbins to attend the Abduction Response Conference in Bloomington on February 24 & 25, 2004 was approved on a motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried.

The request from Mike Pyzick and Kurt Niebuhr to attend the Wastewater Conference in Minneapolis on March 9 – 11, 2004 was approved with a motion from Carroll, second by Gaines and carried. Both will be taking their Class C test also.

Motion by Carroll, second by Schultz and carried approved the Southside Interceptor Project. This includes a sewer interceptor line that will run on the south end of the city, which will accommodate the newly annexed homes in the Garlock Addition. It will also allow for future growth/development within the city, as well as help to alleviate the water issues on the southwest side of town. City Administrator Allis will continue to pursue funding through the State of Minnesota, Public Facilities Authority. The total project cost will be approximately \$2,100,000 and construction could begin as early as September 2004.

Old Business: Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved the Police Department request to purchase a 2004 Durango. Councilmen Carroll, Corbin, and Gaines voting yes, with Councilman Schultz voting no.

Ronda will be getting an estimate on Codification of the Ordinances and also informed council we could use a 2-year payment plan with the League of Minnesota Cities.

City Administrator Allis updated the council on Fred Durfey and Gene Kauffmann.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2004. With no further business to discuss, council went into Closed Session to discuss a Police Department issue and review the City Administrator's 1st year job performance.

Deb Redman, Deputy Clerk