

## MINUTES:

The Wells City Council met on Monday, January 26, 2004 for their second meeting of the month. Present were Mayor Jacobson, Councilmen Carroll, Corbin, Gaines, and Schultz, City Administrator Allis, Deputy Clerk Redman, and reporter Bonsack. Mayor Jacobson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried approved the minutes as written of the January 12<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Monthly bills were reviewed and approved payment in the amount of \$107,582.92 with a motion by Corbin, second by Schultz and carried.

The minutes from the Police & Fire Committee meeting were reviewed next. Motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried approved the minutes as written and all the recommendations from the committee to the council. These recommendations included: 1) Rick Herman will enter the ICRs and will train Adam in the future, 2) purchase a film camera, and 3) Chief Iverson may attend the Minnesota Chief of Police Conference in St. Cloud in April.

Motion by Corbin, second by Schultz and carried approved the Street & Sewer Committee meeting minutes as written. Councilman Schultz would like the Street Supervisor to consider a ½ ton truck. The bathroom at Thompson Park was put on hold until the next meeting in order to obtain more information.

Miscellaneous Reports from the Ambulance and Library Board were approved on a motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried.

The response by the Senior Citizens to the Library/Community Center feasibility study was in the packet as information. Mayor Jacobson thanked the group for their interest, but assured them the Library would not be moving to the Community Center. With the changes in the budget, it is a good idea for any board/committee to look at cost saving measures.

Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved the purchase of 75 new seat covers for the Theatre at a cost of \$1330 from H & B Specialized Products in Minneapolis.

The request from Mary's Cooking for an "On-sale" and "Sunday Liquor" License was reviewed next. Motion by Schultz, second by Gaines and carried approved her license. Council wished her well in this new venture. She will also not be renewing her 3.2 Liquor License in April.

Motion by Schultz, second by Corbin and carried approved Resolution 2004-03; a resolution receiving report and calling hearing on the street improvements listed. The concrete streets will be assessed \$40/foot, reconstruction streets will be assessed \$30/foot, and overlay streets will be assessed \$15/foot.

The City Administrator's request to attend the Municipal Clerks & Finance Officers Association Annual Conference in Alexandria in March was approved with a motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried.

The "House Sales Information" prepared by the Community Development Office was in the packet for information.

Under old business, the purchase of a new squad car was postponed until the next meeting. Details on the size of the "Durango" and the garage need to be worked out.

New Business was added to the agenda. Motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried approved sending Officer Dale Kauffmann to "The Long, Hot Summer of 2004" Seminar in March.

Public: Arnie Groskreutz inquired again about the "city employee" ticket. Mayor Jacobson informed Mr. Groskreutz that the matter would be pursued in closed session at the next council meeting of February 9<sup>th</sup>.

City Administrator Allis informed council she has been informed that ConAgra would be staying open until mid March. She also reminded council her 1 year job performance review would be at next council meeting also during the closed session.

Councilman Corbin requested council to consider "Codification of Ordinances" be done this year. Our ordinances are in dire need of being updated. This would help many departments within the city. Motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved having City Administrator Allis get quotes and details for the next meeting.

Councilman Schultz had questions concerning how the police were handling funeral escorts and an incident at the Cenex Station.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 9, 2004 with a "Closed Session" being added to the agenda. With no further business to discuss, Mayor Jacobson adjourned the meeting.

Deputy Clerk, Deb Redman