

MINUTES:

The Wells City Council held their second meeting of the month on Monday, June 27, 2005 in the Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. Mayor David Jacobson presided with Councilmen Stephen Burns and Scott Linde present. Councilmen Gaines and Carroll were absent. Also present were City Administrator Ronda Allis and Reporter Laurie Bonsack. Deputy Clerk Redman was absent. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was said by all present.

The council heard a presentation by Ron Hartman and Michael Milks on behalf of the Theatre Board. The Board would like to update the sound system in the Theatre. The new system would provide Dolby surround sound. Approximate cost would be \$15,000. The Board will gather 2-3 updated quotes and prepare information on possible concession increases to raise additional funds. This will be discussed in more detail as we budget for 2006.

The next item discussed by the council was a follow-up to the request by Becky Meyer to use the cities compost site for ATV instructional classes. Ronda received information from Becky's insurance company indicating that the city will be listed as an additional insured. The insurance company will provide an updated insurance certificate to the city by July 1, 2005. Motion by Linde, seconded by Burns ordering Ronda to prepare a contract outlining the criteria for the use of the compost site including: need to wear safety gear, either party can cancel the contract with a 30-day written notice, any damaged ground should be repaired by Becky, and all parties involved must sign a waiver. Once this is ready for signature Ronda will contact Becky. Motion carried.

Minutes from the June 13th Council Meeting were reviewed and approved as presented with a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

The bills were reviewed next. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved paying all the bills totaling \$159,843.83.

Commission and Committee Reports were the next item on the agenda. The Police & Fire Committee minutes were approved on a motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried. The minutes from the Wells Liquor Committee included a recommendation to have the off-sale open on Monday, July 4th. This recommendation was approved on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried. The minutes from the Liquor Committee meeting were approved on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

The Miscellaneous Reports included minutes from the Wells Community Ambulance Board of Directors and the May 2nd and May 17th minutes from the Wells Economic Development Authority. These reports were approved as presented on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

City Engineer Bill Sayre was supposed to attend the meeting to present the plans and specifications for the 3rd Street project. A last minute change to the project will allow the

city to also repair damaged panels from the first phase of the project. Bill Sayre will update the plans and specifications and present at a later meeting. Therefore, Resolution No. 2005-08 will be presented at a later date. Resolution No. 2005-09 will now become Resolution 2005-08. This resolution is required as part of the 3rd Street project. Resolution No. 2005-08, A Resolution for Parallel Parking Only, was approved on a motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried.

The Wells Historical Society submitted a request to have all building permits waived for the restoration of the Wells Railroad Depot. The council agreed to waive the permit fees, but will still require the Historical Society to apply for the building permit. This motion was made by council member Burns, seconded by Linde and carried.

The request by the VFW for a special permit to sell liquor on the Sunday of Kernel's weekend was approved on a motion by council member Linde, seconded by Burns and carried.

The Chamber of Commerce submitted an application for a gambling permit to hold bingo and a raffle over Kernels weekend. The application was approved on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

The HRA requested permission to remove the sidewalk located at their recently acquired property (160 – 3rd Avenue NW). A motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approving this request.

The council discussed the interceptor project, specifically addressing the interest rate and length of years that a property owner could place the sewer and water connections on their taxes. Council member Burns made a motion to set the rate at 5% with the length not to exceed 15 years. The motion was seconded by council member Linde and carried.

The League of MN Cities sent notification of their intent to raise dues in 2006. This was provided for informational purposes only.

The council reviewed the county's proposed Clandestine Drug Lab Cleanup Ordinance. No action was taken at this time.

Old Business: Rick provided information on the alley improvements behind the Broadway Apartments. Rick suggests repairing the holes in the blacktop at a cost of \$2,665.00. Motion by Linde, seconded by Burns and carried approved Rick's recommendation.

Public Comment: None.

Administrator's Report: None.

Mayor's Report: None.

Council Member reports: None.

The next scheduled council meeting is set for Monday, July 11, 2005.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Jacobson adjourned the meeting.

Ronda C. Allis, City Administrator