

MINUTES:

The Wells City Council held their first meeting of April on Monday, April 9, 2007 at 5 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Jacobson presided with Council Members Burns, Gaines, Linde and Savick present. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy City Clerk Redman and Reporter Bonsack.

Mayor Jacobson called the meeting to order; at which time the group said the "Pledge of Allegiance."

The minutes from the March 26th Council Meeting were reviewed and approved as written with a motion by Gaines, second by Savick and carried.

The monthly bills were reviewed and approved for payment in the amount of \$114,807.87 on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried. The monthly Revenue & Expenditure Statements were also approved as written with a motion by Burns, second by Gaines and carried.

Five Building Permits for March were submitted for Council approval. Motion by Linde, second by Savick and carried approved the building permits.

Departmental Reports were the next item on the agenda. The Public Works Report and the Police Department Report were approved as presented with a motion by Linde, second by Savick and carried.

The Community Development Report was approved as written with a motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried. The Small Cities Development Program Disbursement #27 was approved with a motion by Gaines, second by Burns and carried.

The Library Report was also approved as submitted with a motion by Burns, second by Savick and carried.

The Fire Department would like to paint the meeting room, bathrooms, and 8 doors at the Fire Station. Motion by Gaines, second by Burns and carried awarded the bid to Schwartz Painting for \$751 plus \$200 for the doors. The Department would also like to remove the carpet in the meeting room and replace it with tile. Motion by Burns, second by Savick and carried awarded the bid to Nordaas Retail in the amount of \$2,858.87. Also, the Fire Department has received a grant of \$19,000 to buy a new air compressor for the air packs. The City needs to approve \$950 toward the compressor in order to receive the grant. The Department would like to sell their old air compressor for around \$5,000 when the new one arrives. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the \$950 toward the new air compressor and selling the old compressor when the new one arrives. Motion by Linde, second by Gaines and carried approved the Fire Department Report as presented.

Miscellaneous Reports submitted for the month of March are as follows; Community Center, Liquor Store, building permits, Library Automation, employee over-time & comp-time. Motion by Linde, second by Savick and carried approved the Miscellaneous Reports as listed.

The first Committee Report presented was from the Street & Sewer Committee. Street Supervisor LaVallie has requested permission to have the snow blower repaired and to purchase 4 new tires for the gravel truck. The repairs to the snow blower will be \$5,500 and the 4 tires will be \$1,350. Motion by Linde, second by Gaines and carried approved his two requests. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the Street & Sewer Committee Meeting minutes as written.

Other Commission Reports submitted for Council approval included the following; Wells Public Utilities Commission Meeting minutes for March 5th & 21st, Library Board Meeting minutes for February, Economic Development Authority Meeting minutes for February and the Economic Development Authority Public Hearing minutes for March 9th. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved all the Commission Reports as presented.

Motion by Gaines, second by Savick accepts Kay Herman's resignation from the Wells Public Library Board. Motion carried.

Mary Olson is resigning as the Assistant Library Director effective April 16, 2007. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approves her resignation. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved advertising to fill her position.

Diane Dulas also submitted her resignation as a part-time bartender for the Liquor Store. Motion by Savick, second by Linde and carried approved her resignation.

The Maple Valley Classic Car Club is requesting permission to use Broadway during Kernel Days Weekend for their annual Car Show. The Car Club can use Broadway from the alley north of It Figures south to Paragon Bank leaving the intersection open. Motion by Gaines, second by Linde and carried approved their request.

Motion by Burns, second by Savick and carried approved Resolution 2007-05; a resolution ordering preparation of report on improvements, which is the feasibility study.

Resolution 2007-06; a resolution receiving the report and calling for a hearing on improvements was approved with a motion by Gaines, second by Linde and carried. The Public Hearing is scheduled for May 14, 2007 at the Flame Theatre.

Resolution 2007-07; a resolution approving plans and specifications and ordering advertisement for bids was approved on a motion by Savick, second by Linde and carried. Street Supervisor LaVallie prepared the plans and specs and awarding the bid will be May 14, 2007 at 5 p.m.

Old Business:

Reminder – Board of Review is May 10th at 5 p.m.

The following items were in the packet for informational purpose only; notice of the Faribault County Elected Officials Meeting, notice of the Annual Meeting of the South Central Drug Task Force, and a meeting at the Community Center hosted by Frundt & Johnson, LTD.

Public Comment:

Arnie Groskreutz discussed building permits and fees.

City Administrator Allis has had several forms of communication with the Webers concerning their sewer connections. Mike Weber would like a study done on this matter. Ronda will take it to the next Street & Sewer Committee Meeting.

Mayor Jacobson was proclaimed April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Mayor will sign the proclamation for the City of Wells.

Council Member Savick discussed the Trailer Park. The City has permission to go on the property. A person is interested in tearing down one of the trailers. City Administrator Allis is checking into an Environmental Study.

The next scheduled Council Meeting is Monday, April 23rd.

With no further business to bring before Council, Mayor Jacobson adjourned the meeting.

Deb Redman, Deputy City Clerk