

## MINUTES:

The Wells City Council met on Monday, June 25, 2007 in Council Chambers at 5 p.m. Mayor Jacobson presided with Councilmen Burns and Linde present. Council Members Gaines and Savick were absent. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy City Clerk Redman, and Reporter Bonsack. Mayor Jacobson called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reggie Edwards, Region 9 Executive Director, provided Council with a hand out on the Region Nine Development Commission and gave a brief presentation. Part of his presentation consisted of conversation with the Council on their needs as a city in the next five years and how Region 9 can help the area.

The minutes from the June 11<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting were reviewed and approved as written with a motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried.

The monthly bills were reviewed and approved for payment in the amount of \$146,394.37 on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

One Departmental Report was submitted for Council approval. Street Supervisor LaVallie submitted his Public Works Report for May. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved his report as presented.

Committee Reports were from the City Hall Committee and the Street & Sewer Committee. To remodel City Hall, it is the recommendation of the committee to have a "Request for Proposal" for architectural services. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the architectural services. The minutes were approved as written with a motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried.

The Street & Sewer Committee met with the following recommendations. Offer temporary employment to Eric Neubauer and Matt Herman at \$10 an hour to assist with street repairs. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the temporary help for the street department. Twelve property owners were not satisfied with the seeding of their yards by Weerts Construction. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved receiving bids from local contractors to reseed the yards this fall. Who is responsible for infrastructure on a new lot? Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved informing the developer he is responsible for the infrastructure. Pre-Stress would like to connect to the city storm water. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved connecting their storm water outlet to the city storm water system. New tires are needed for the gravel truck. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the budgeted set of 4 tires. A new sanitary sewer sniffer is needed; the old one is outdated. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved the purchase.

The sign at the Airport needs to be replaced. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approves the bid from Flatline Design for \$450 to replace the Airport sign by July 8<sup>th</sup> (Fly-In Breakfast). Street Supervisor LaVallie needs more cold patch to continue

repairing the streets. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved his request for \$880 of cold patch. The minutes from the Street & Sewer Committee Meeting were approved as submitted on a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

Miscellaneous Reports from the EDA, the Ambulance Board, the Library Board, and the Theatre Board were submitted for Council approval. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved the Miscellaneous Reports as presented.

Officer Jim Ratelle would like to attend Tactical Patrol Officer Training in Windom on July 12<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$150. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved his request.

The Wells Area Chamber of Commerce submitted three request concerning the Kernel Days Weekend. The first one was a noise variance, the second one was for fireworks, and the last one was to block off part of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue for the carnival. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved their three request as presented.

The Minnesota Association of Small Cities is requesting their 2007-08 dues from the City of Wells. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved paying our dues in the amount of \$1087.95 based on our population figure of 2,537.

Naomi Rath submitted her resignation as a concession worker for the Flame Theatre. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried accepted her resignation.

Kristin Maslakow, Summer Volleyball League Manager, submitted a proposal to reconstruct the volleyball courts at Half Moon Park. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved sending this item to the Park Board and the Park Committee for their approval and bring it back to Council at the July 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

The Wells Jaycees are requesting a 1-4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for their Beer Garden during Kernel Days Weekend. Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried approved their license request.

Old Business: none

FYI: City Administrator Allis submitted a letter to Council informing them that she had submitted an application for a seat on the League of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors.

Local Government Aid Estimates

Wells Concrete Products donation for the Half Moon Park Dugouts

Public Comment: Mike Weber

Questioned access to his property. The two attorneys will discuss this issue.

City Administrator Allis gave Council a copy of a sketch given to her by Schrader Enterprises to beautify the sign at Half Moon Park. They would like to donate the landscaping. Council would like the Park Board to view this and approve the design before Council's next meeting. Ronda also reminded Council she would be out of the office until Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Burns inquired about shelving at the Library.

The next Council Meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2007.

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

Deb Redman, Deputy City Clerk