



COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF WELLS, MINNESOTA

MINUTES

Regular Session of City Council City of Wells

The Wells City Council convened in regular session on Monday, April 11, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Wells Community Center, Council Chambers. Mayor Ron Gaines called the meeting to order with the following council members and employees present: Councilmember Steve Burns, Councilmember Jim Durfee, Councilmember Ann Marie Schuster, and Councilmember Ashley Seedorf. Employees present: Police Chief Jim Ratelle, Street Supervisor Janie Whim, and Deputy City Clerk Deb Redman. Absent: City Administrator Jeremy Germann. Mayor Gaines led the group in the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

AGENDA:

The agenda for the April 11, 2011 council meeting was reviewed with Councilmember Schuster making a motion to approve the agenda as written. Councilmember Seedorf seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

CONSENT ITEMS:

The minutes of the regularly scheduled council meeting held on March 28, 2011 were reviewed with Councilmember Seedorf making a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Burns seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

The minutes of the special council meeting held on April 4, 2011 were reviewed with Councilmember Schuster making a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Durfee seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

The list of bills was reviewed with Councilmember Burns making a motion to pay the bills totaling \$189,828.22. Discussion held. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf, voting yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to accept the Park Board meetings minutes. Motion by Councilmember Durfee and seconded by Councilmember Seedorf to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Street Supervisor Janie Whim requested Council approve the bid from Team Laboratory Chemical Corp. for paint and supplies needed to open the swimming pool.

Councilmember Burns made a motion to order supplies from Team Laboratory Chemical Corp. at a cost of \$4,039.25. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

Voices of Wellness spokespersons (Andrea Neubauer, Jerry Jensen, & Bill Groskreutz Jr.) spoke on opportunities to promote healthy living in our community.

Milt Peterson questioned the pet ordinance and road restrictions on city streets.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Councilmember Seedorf made a motion to have Mayor Gaines sign the proclamation declaring April Child Abuse Prevention Month. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to appoint Katie Keener to the Wells Public Library Board. Motion by Councilmember Burns and seconded by Councilmember Durfee to approve the appointment. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the mowing bids for the Lift Station. Motion by Councilmember Seedorf and seconded by Councilmember Durfee to award the mowing contract to the Street Department. Discussion followed. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

Council reviewed a project design/development quote for the City of Wells website from Bevcomm. Motion by Councilmember Schuster and seconded by Councilmember Durfee to table this item until the next council meeting. Discussion followed. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

CITY REPORTS:

Deputy Clerk Redman: Reminded council concerning the Board of Appeal and the Faribault County Clean-up Day. Brought forward a request from the Wildcats Bar & Grill to be granted a noise variance. Motion by Councilmember Seedorf and seconded by Councilmember Schuster to approve a noise variance for Saturday, April 16, 2011. Discussion followed on the need for more detail on dates. Roll call taken with Burns, Durfee, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaines:

Nothing

Councilmember Burns:

Discussed benches for downtown.

Councilmember Durfee: Nothing
Councilmember Schuster: Discussed meeting date for Street/Sewer Committee
Councilmember Seedorf: Discussed bathrooms at Half Moon Park and a grain elevator located on Broadway.

ANNOUNCENMENTS:

The next regularly scheduled council meeting was set for Monday, April 25, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wells Community Center, Council Chambers. Councilmember Seedorf made the motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Councilmember Durfee. Meeting adjourned.

Mayor Ron Gaines

Deputy City Clerk Debra Redman