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# COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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CITY OF WELLS, MINNESOTA

## MINUTES

### Regular Session of City Council City of Wells

The Wells City Council convened in regular session on Monday, March 11, 2013 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 present: Councilmember John Herman, Councilmember Ann Marie Schuster and Councilmember Ashley Seedorf. Employees present: City Administrator Stephen Bloom, Deputy City Clerk Deb Redman, City Engineer Travis Winter, and City Attorney David Frundt. Councilmember Gary Robbins was absent. Mayor Gaines led the group in the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

#### **AGENDA:**

The agenda for the March 11, 2013 council meeting was reviewed with Councilmember Schuster making a motion to approve the agenda with one addition and one correction. Tri-City Sewer Board Position added under Department Reports and Ordinance before Resolutions under New Business. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

The United South Central School Conditional Use Permit Public Hearing was conducted by City Planning Consultant Brad Potter, I & S Group. There was no public comment received.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve Ordinance § 152.039 Rezoning Property. Councilmember Seedorf made a motion to approve Ordinance § 152.039 Rezoning Property located in Wells from Agricultural District to General Residential District. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Discussion held. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.** This ordinance will be published in the local newspaper.

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2013-05; a Resolution Approving a Conditional Use Permit. Councilmember Schuster made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-05 as presented. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Discussion held. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2013-06; a Resolution Approving the Final Plat of USC School Addition. Councilmember Herman made a motion to table this resolution until the next meeting when the conditions of the final plat are confirmed. Councilmember Seedorf seconded the motion. Discussion held. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

#### **MINUTES:**

The minutes of the regularly scheduled council meeting held on February 25, 2013 were reviewed with Councilmember Herman making a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

#### **PAYMENTS:**

The lists of bills for February 2013 were reviewed with Councilmember Herman making a motion to pay the bills totaling \$158,027.66. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Police Chief Jim Ratelle informed Council he had nothing new to report at this time. Mayor Gaines addressed the ICR status. Council reviewed the county animal control meeting and an update on the police radios.

The Street Department report by Assistant Street Supervisor Pyzick was reviewed. Mr. Pyzick also reported on the weekend snow removal, area flooding, and extra over-time hours because of the significant snow fall.

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to accept the resignation of a Library Staff. Councilmember Schuster made a motion to accept the resignation of Debbie Koziolk from the Library. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. City Administrator Bloom will send a letter of thanks for years of service and good luck with her new endeavors. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to appoint Scott Linde to the Tri-City Sewer Board. Councilmember Seedorf made a motion to appoint Mr. Linde effective immediately. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Discussion held. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mayor Gaines brought the topic of the Animal Ordinance to the table. City Attorney David Frundt had a draft in council packet for review. Mr. Frundt was directed by Council to make the necessary changes and bring back the completed ordinance to the next meeting for adoption.

Mayor Gaines brought the topic of the Mosser request to the table. Travis Winter, Bolton & Menk was present to discuss with Council the progress of the sewer/water project on Second Avenue Northwest. Councilmember Herman made a motion to have City Attorney David Frundt draft a letter to the Mossers clarifying the request. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Discussion held. Roll call taken with Herman, Schuster, and Seedorf voting yea. **Motion carried.**

**CITY REPORTS:**

*City Administrator Bloom* – union negotiations, Kernel Days Committee

*Mayor Gaines*

*Councilmember Herman* – Administrator's job

*Councilmember Robbins*

*Councilmember Schuster* – animal control

*Councilmember Seedorf* – Wells Area Chamber

The next regularly scheduled council meeting was set for March 25, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wells Community Center, Council Chambers.

Councilmember Herman made the motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Councilmember Schuster. Meeting adjourned.

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Mayor Ron Gaines

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Deputy City Clerk Debra Redman