



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, September 23, 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 Gary Robbins, Councilmember Ann Marie Schuster, and Councilmember Ashley Seedorf. Employees present: City Administrator Robin Leslie and Deputy City Clerk Deb Redman. Mayor Gaines led the group in the "Pledge of Allegiance."

AGENDA:

The agenda for the September 23, 2013 council meeting was reviewed with Councilmember Seedorf making a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Councilmember Robbins seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

AIRPORT SNOW REMOVAL BID OPENING:

Mayor Gaines opened sealed qualifying bids submitted by Rick Herman and Land Prep LLC (Josh Raimann), for the option of snow removal at the Wells Municipal Airport in 2013 and 2014, with a 3rd year option.

Mayor Gaines read each bid submitted. Councilmember Robbins made a motion to award the bid to Rick Herman for only one (1) year. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.** Councilmember Herman abstained from the vote.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the regularly scheduled council meeting held on September 9, 2013 were reviewed with Councilmember Herman making a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Schuster seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

PAYMENTS:

The lists of bills for September 2013 were reviewed with Councilmember Schuster making a motion to pay the bills totaling \$66,502.39. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

The August financial statements of revenues & expenditures and balances & receipts were reviewed with Councilmember Robbins making a motion to approve as presented. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

The August financial reports of the monthly building permits, pool report, and employee overtime & comp-time were reviewed with Councilmember Seedorf making a motion to approve as presented. Councilmember Robbins seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve the Street Department Report. Councilmember Schuster made a motion to approve the report as presented. Councilmember Seedorf seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Police Chief Jim Ratelle updated Council on the activities of the Police Department such as animal control in Faribault County and the storm damage repairs to the Interceptor Car.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve the Wells Area Chamber of Commerce request for a Gambling Permit. Councilmember Schuster made a motion to approve the gambling permit for the raffle at Las Vegas Night. Councilmember Robbins seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Gaines asked for a motion to approve the Wells Golf Club's request for a Temporary Liquor License. Councilmember Schuster made a motion to approve their Temporary Liquor License for October 5, 2013. Councilmember Seedorf seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Gaines brought the topic of "Red Ribbon Week" to the table. Councilmember Robbins made a motion to approve the Mayor signing the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation in support of alcohol & drug abuse prevention in the nation. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Red Ribbon Week is October 23-31, 2013. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Gaines brought the topic of the Street Department Laborer Appointment to the table. City Administrator Robin Leslie stated the Hiring Committee recommends Craig J. Anderson be hired to fill the position. Councilmember Robbins made a motion to hire Craig Anderson to fill the Street Department Laborer position with probation and wages according to the Local 49 Contract. Councilmember Herman seconded the motion. Discussion held. **Motion carried.**

INFORMATION:

A notice of hearing on Proposed Assessments for the newspaper and individual property owners for the 2013 street improvements.

CITY REPORTS:

City Administrator Leslie – St. Casimir School Marathon & Parade on October 4th, Administrative Fine Ordinance, “All Pets” contract, Farmers Market move to downtown area, airport, and budget meeting with Auditors.

Mayor Gaines

Councilmember Herman

Councilmember Robbins

Councilmember Schuster – Senior Nutrition, roads to new school

Councilmember Seedorf

The next regularly scheduled council meeting was set for Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wells Community Center, Council Chambers.

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

Mayor Ronald Gaines

Deputy City Clerk Debra Redman