

MINUTES, HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Keith Swenson at the Henderson Community Meeting Room. Present were Council Members George Scheffler, Dan Reiman, Les Mediger and Lamona Phillips. Also present were Henderson Independent Newspaper Editor Garrett J. Brenno, Police Chief Chester Aldrich and Ramona Kahlow.

New Council Member Les Mediger took his oath of office and was officially sworn in as a 4 year Council Member for the City of Henderson (Incumbent Mayor Keith Swenson and Council Member George Scheffler had preciously been sworn in.) for 2009.

Motion Reiman, seconded Phillips to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

Police Chief reported on monthly activities including domestic cases, multi jurisdictional criminal sexual conduct case and other arrests.

City Administrator reported that Prairie Trail Electric is looking into costs for fixing the timer for the emergency siren at the city garage; sale of fire vehicles; League of Cities workshops and correspondence; I & S correspondence; proposals for replacement of the existing copier (tabled); signing of surplus property card; SEDCO correspondence/workshop (1/27/09-Phillips, Mediger and Reiman plan to attend workshop); DNR water report and future meetings.

Motion Reiman, seconded Scheffler to authorize selling the used tanker/pumper at Fahey's Sales Agency Consignment Auction (most likely in March or April or 2009). Motion carried.

Mayor Swenson reported on impact of state aids cuts on local units of government. He and Scheffler plan to attend a meeting in Mankato on January 29 discussing this and related matters.

Reiman discussed visit to Luverne, Minnesota to inspect the new fire truck.

Reiman discussed the December 30, 2008 MRVPUC meeting.

Review of end of month and end of year accounts and scheduling for additional reviews.

Motion Swenson, seconded Reiman to accept the 2008 December end of the month financial report. Motion carried.

Motion Swenson, seconded Reiman to meet at 5:30 P.M. on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 to review the budget, rates, and other financial information. Motion carried.

Motion Swenson, seconded Reiman to approve the final certification list for delinquent accounts and instruct the city clerk/treasurer to file this report with the Sibley County Auditor for taxes payable in 2009. Motion carried.

Motion Reiman, seconded Swenson to approve the following city bills:

ABDO EICK & MEYERS	\$75.00
ALEX AIR APPARATUS, INC	\$569.50
ALPHA WIRELES COMM. CO.	\$146.42
CHESTER ALDRICH	\$239.40
CRYSTEEL	\$66.03
DENZER'S VALLEY AG.	\$105.41
DICK COLLINS	\$90.00
DVORAK EXCAVATING INC.	\$510.00
ERIC KARELS	\$190.94
EXCEL ENERGY	\$4,319.41
FRONTIER COMM.	\$544.99
GENESIS.	\$520.70
HENDERSON INDEPENDENT	\$107.25
HOLIDAY INN--MANKATO	\$109.99
I & S GROUP, INC.	\$8,224.30
LABELLES LE SUEUR ALIGMENT	\$95.00
LEAGUE OF MINN CITIES	\$285.00
METRO WEST INSPECTION	\$806.25
MINNESOTA DEPT OF REVENUE	\$1,494.00
MINNESOTA ELEVATOR INC.	\$96.45
MN CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOC.	\$130.00
MN DEPT OF LABOR AND	\$8.50
MN DNR WATERS	\$140.00
MN RURAL WATER ASSOC.	\$160.00
MN VALLEY ELECTRIC	\$926.73
NELSON & JONES LDT	\$282.60
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS	\$1,917.49
PAUL NELSON	\$9.36
RADISSON HOTEL- ST. CLOUD	\$357.00
ROYAL TIRE INC	\$364.95
SIBLEY CO. FIRE CHIEFS ASSOC.	\$350.00
TOM FRAUENDIENST	\$175.00
TRUE VALUE	\$444.25

UNIFORMS UNLIMITED	\$96.62
VALLEY NATIONAL GASES	\$6.77
WAGARS RED OWL \$	1,184.22
WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$5,543.24

Motion carried.

Motion Phillips, seconded Scheffler to approve the following Mayor appointments and designations for 2009:

LS Ambulance/EMS Commission: Lamona Phillips
Fire Commission: Dan Reiman (Chair) and Keith Swenson.
Health Officers: Les Trimbo and Dick Collins, Eric Karels Nuisance Officer
Acting Mayor: Dan Reiman
Sibley County EDA: George Scheffler
Joseph R. Brown Heritage Society: Lon Berberich & Keith Swenson
Personnel Committee: Dan Reiman and Keith Swenson
Street/Wastewater Improvements Committee: Keith Swenson and George Scheffler
Equipment Committee: Dan Reiman and Lamona Phillips
Emergency Management/Civil Defense Director: Tom Phillips
Scenic By-way: Pat Steckman
Parks Board: Les Mediger (chair), Don Bender, Terry Bovee, Mark Hardel, Ron Walters
LS-H Cable TV: Pat Steckman and George Scheffler
Community Education/Recreation: Keith Swenson
Both the Community Bank and First State Bank of Henderson are designated as official depositories for city funds for 2008 with checking and/or investment accounts to be established in both banks at the discretion of the City Treasurer.
City Assessor: Sibley County Assessor
Insurance: Community Insurance of Henderson
Henderson Independent as official newspaper
City Assessor: Sibley County Auditor
City Auditor: Abdo, Eick & Meyers
Building Inspector: Metro West
Well and Tower Contracts: Thein and Water Tower Tank & Repair
Pump Maintenance: Braun Pump
Financial Advisors: Ehlers and Associates
Planning Commission: Mayor and City Council
EDA: Mayor and City Council
Internal Controls-Mayor, City Council and city staff with specific duties for payroll-Les Mediger; utility-Dan Reiman and Keith Swenson; bills & accounts and EOM/EOQ/EOY balances Lamona Phillips and George Scheffler; budget, rates and audit-Les Mediger and George Scheffler
MRVPUC-Phillips, Reiman and Scheffler

Motion carried.

No action taken on mayor and city council salaries, they will remain the same.

Motion Reiman, seconded Phillips to approve the following regular meeting schedule:

Wednesdays on January 28 (5:30 P.M.), February 11, February 25, March 11 and April 8 (all meetings to start at 7:00 P.M.) Motion carried.

Mayor Swenson adjourned the meeting at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Lon Berberich
City Clerk