

MINUTES, HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Tim Nytes at the community meeting room. Present were council members Kelly Braun, Randall Tiegs, Paul Menne and Les Mediger. Also in attendance were Chester Aldrich, Eric Karels, Chris Cavett, Keith Swenson, Dan Reiman, Pat Steckman and James Brenno.

Motion Menne, seconded Mediger to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2011 meeting; motion carried.

Police Chief Aldrich reviewed his previously submitted monthly report.

Review of City Administrator's recommendation on Law Enforcement Services RVP (recommends rejecting proposals).

Motion Menne, seconded Mediger to accept the recommendation and reject the proposals for law enforcement services-motion carried 5-0.

Review of draft of criteria and timelines for advertising to hire a police chief.

Motion Tiegs, seconded Braun to place ad with P.O.S.T, the Henderson Independent and League of Cities for hiring a full time police chief-application are to be due by Monday, September 12, 2011 at 4:00 P.M.; motion carried 4-0.

Chris Cavett from S.E.H presented proposals for making repairs to the ravine north of Minnesota State Highway 19 near the west end of city limits with funds appropriated from FEMA Disaster 1921. He recommended accepting the proposal from Ellingson Drainage Inc. for \$31,558 *not* including Alternates 1 and 2 and eliminating sodding/landscape work from the proposal. He suggested city crews and volunteers could possibly undertake the sodding items and other ravine modifications and indicated the adjacent landowner is in agreement with this proposed plan.

Motion Menne, seconded Tiegs to approve the Chris Cavett recommendation and award the \$31,558.00 contract to Ellingson Drainage; motion carried.

Motion Mediger, seconded Braun to waive the second reading and approve ordinance 223 (electric distribution system ordinance) with this ordinance to become part of the Henderson City Code after its publication and to continue the electric distribution system agreement with Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Menne noted that this new ordinance does allow for a franchise fee to be added at a later date and is non exclusive.

Mayor Tim Nytes introduced Ordinance 224 relating to the water and sanitary sewer system-second reading will be Wednesday, October 19, 2011.

Council Members have reviewed samples of rental ordinances from other communities during the past 2 work sessions; a copy of the rental ordinance in force at the City of Cleveland was included for review and comment. Comments from 3 members of public in attendance were not in favor of adding a rental ordinance to the Henderson City Code and Keith Swenson in summary asked why this ordinance would even be considered. After considerable discussion and debate the subject and related topics were dropped.

City Administrator Berberich presented resolutions related to assessments for the 2007 Municipal Wastewater Improvement Project; project activities update with DNR correspondence; TIF transfer resolution; 2010 and 2011 FEMA disaster updates including a contract with Bolton and Menk for disaster 1982; League of Cities information and Mediacom correspondence.

Motion Tiegs, seconded Mediger to approve Resolution 2011-9 declaring costs to be assessed and preparing the assessment role for the 2007 Municipal Wastewater Improvement Project. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion Tiegs, seconded Mediger to approve Resolution 2011-10 calling for a hearing (Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.) for the 2007 Municipal Wastewater Improvement Project. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion Tiegs, seconded Menne to adopt Resolution 2011-11 approving an inter fund loan transfer; motion carried.

Motion Menne, seconded Tiegs to approve the Bolton and Menk project for the FEMA force Main project (contingent upon FEMA/State of Minnesota or other approval and funding). Motion carried

MRVPUC members discussed recent activities and reported that their will be an open house at the treatment plant in Le Sueur from 1P.M. to 6 P.M. on Thursday, September 1, 2011.

Motion Tiegs, seconded Menne to approve the following city bills:

ALEX AIR APPARATUS, INC		\$16,000.00
\$3,211.00		
BANYON DATA SYSTEMS		EXCEL ENERGY
\$197.68		\$5,499.46
CENTRAL STATES FIRE		FRONTIER COMM.
\$177.62		\$572.85
CHESTER ALDRICH	\$476.66	GENESIS
CITY OF LE SUEUR		\$1,131.69
\$1,500.00		HENDERSON INDEPENDENT
CITY OF LESUEUR-MRVPUC		\$284.25
\$12,361.35		HOMETOWN BANK
DICK COLLINS		\$25.00
\$90.00		LABELLES LE SUEUR ALIGMENT
EHLERS & ASSOCIATES		\$15.69

LEAGUE OF MN CITIES INS.		SOUTHERN METRO MEDICAL	
\$13,636.50		\$249.00	
MN Valley Electric		TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	
\$3,097.50		\$37.87	
MES-MIDAM		TOM FRAUENDIENST	\$175.00
\$116.28		TRUE VALUE	
NAPA AUTO PARTS OF LE SUEUR		\$419.78	
\$10.68		VALLEY NATIONAL GASES	
NELSON & JONES LDT	\$1,034.69	\$12.26	
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS		WAGARS RED OWL	
\$138.65		\$1,436.06	
GOHPER STATE ONE CALL	\$11.70	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF	\$283.23
PARROTT CONTRACTING, INC		WELLS FARGO	
\$6,700.00		\$11,214.30	
PRAIRIE TRAIL ELECTRIC		HENDERSON POST OFFICE	
\$175.00		\$176.00	
SIBLEY COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH		MN DEPT OF NATURAL	\$2,250.00
\$152.00			

Motion carried.

Motion Braun, seconded Menne to approve the July end of month financial report; motion carried.

The revised meeting schedule was distributed. Motion Tiegs, seconded Menne to approve the revised schedule and have it posted; motion carried.

Mayor Nytes adjourned the meeting at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Lon Berberich, City Clerk