

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
February 16, 2010

A regular council meeting was duly called to order by Mayor Robert Roesler on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. with members Jim Poirot, Carroll Behne, Robert Roesler, Kurt Olson. Absent, Brad Ringnell. Also present, City Admin/EDA Director Jamie Letzring and Deputy Clerk Irene Schlaphoff.

Motion by Poirot to approve the agenda, second by Olson, carried.

Motion by Behne to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2010 EDA and council meetings, second by Poirot, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Motion by Poirot to approve Resolution 2010-06 Accepting Donation from Betty Munson Memorial for Temperance Lake Ridge Gazebo Project, second by Behne. Poirot, yea; Behne, yea; Olson, yea; Roesler, yea; Resolution 2010-06 approved.

Motion by Behne to approve Resolution 2010-05 Approving Revolving Loan Fund Disbursement in the Amount of \$5,000 to Jeremy Ebeling for Home Improvements, second by Poirot. Olson, yea; Poirot, yea; Behne, yea; Roesler, yea; Resolution 2010-05 approved.

City Administrator Jamie Letzring reported on the meeting with the county ditch viewer she attended with Deputy Clerk Irene Schlaphoff and Councilor Kurt Olson regarding redetermination of Ditch 81 and Ditch 11; total assessment costs for the City of Sherburn have been estimated at \$9,992.16 for future repairs and maintenance of the existing ditches. Martin County will continue to administer the ditches and is in the process of re-evaluating the entire county watershed to determine assessments to be applied to all benefiting properties. Any ditch improvement will result in an additional assessment to the party requesting the improvement.

At this time Kirk Yahnke of Bolton & Menk presented the plans and specifications for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade, stating that a walk-through with prospective bidders will be held on March 10, 2010, and the bid date is March 18, 2010. Mr. Yahnke also commented that the sanitary sewer televising in the West First Street area revealed very poor conditions.

Motion by Poirot to approve Resolution 2010-04 Adopting the Plans and Specifications for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements as Presented by Bolton & Menk as Consulting Engineers, second by Olson. Poirot, yea; Behne, yea; Olson, yea; Roesler, yea; Resolution 2010-04 approved.

Greg Mitchell of Bolton & Menk arrived at 6:55 pm to present results of the N Osborne St area sewer system televising in conjunction with the wastewater treatment plant rehab project. \$160,000 has been included in the project for inflow and infiltration (I & I). While no documentation has yet been received, camera crews alerted City and engineering staff that the sanitary system is in extremely poor condition with vitrified clay, root balls, holes and obstructions, making North Osborne a most certain candidate for total reconstruction.

Mr. Mitchell distributed a cost summary with three options for improvements: 1) West First Street collection system in conjunction with the WWTP rehab; 2) Revised sanitary sewer alignment from N Osborne St to W First Street, which includes reconstruction of N Osborne from Front Street to First Street, reconstruction of W First Street from N Osborne to 220 ft west of N Prairie St, and collection system improvements; 3) Reconstruction of N Osborne St from Front Street to W Fifth Street in addition to improvements as listed in Option 2. The West Fifth Street reconstruction in 2008 eliminated I & I to a noticeable degree, and sewer improvements in this area will further reduce inflow and infiltration.

A meeting with financial advisor Shannon Sweeney of David Drown Associates will be scheduled as soon as possible to discuss funding options for the N Osborne and West First Street area improvements.

Mayor Roesler announced that Region Nine will be holding a nine-county meeting in March to include 137 governmental units to discuss ways to face future funding cuts and share ideas. This meeting will be open to the public.

Admin report:

- EideBailly auditors conducted the first day of audit fieldwork today at City Hall (02/16/10).
- Remodeling continues at the Community Hall restroom and contractors are now laying tile.
- Task Force members are requesting City staff seek quotes for asbestos ceiling removal behind the Theatre screen. As this project is not on the priority list that was previously submitted, Mayor Roesler directed City Adm/EDA Dir Letzring to request that the Task Force attend the March 1st council meeting with an updated priority list.

Motion to adjourn by Poirot, second by Behne, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Irene Schlaphoff, Deputy Clerk