

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
September 5, 2006

A regular council meeting was duly held on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Members present, Carroll Behne, Robert Roesler, Jim Poirot and Brad Ringnell. Absent, Jerry Jenkinson. Mayor Pro-tem Robert Roesler presided. Also present, City Adm/EDA Dir Kathy Bailey and Deputy Clerk Irene Schlaphoff.

Motion by Poirot to approve the minutes as written and sent to each council member for study, second by Ringnell, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the agenda, second by Behne, carried.

Motion by Poirot to approve the bills for payment, second by Ringnell, carried.

Council acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Sherburn Fire Department detailing the work that has been completed at the new fire hall, and learned that an open house is planned some time during Fire Prevention Week October 16-20.

Administrative reports:

- Schafer Shores received preliminary SL-2 plat approval for eight lots in a recreational district; owner plans to seek approval for private water and sewer utilities.
- Filings for council candidacy will remain open until 5:00 on September 12, 2006.

Auditor Larry Weeks of Eide Bailly (Wolf Etter) appeared before the council to present the 2005 audit. Mr. Weeks reviewed various financial statements and funds within the audit, explained the entity-wide GASB requirements, and answered questions. He noted that the City of Sherburn is in good financial health. Motion by Ringnell to accept the 2005 audit as presented, second by Poirot, carried.

Discussion was held regarding alternatives for the maintenance of gravel streets using research provided by Police Chief Brad Hughes. Given the excessive projected costs of paving and drainage, which will not be able to be recovered through property assessments, Chief Hughes put together information on weight restrictions and speed limits, and the disadvantages associated with the use of either option. It was decided to invite the citizens residing on gravel streets to attend a future council meeting in order to fully inform them of the alternatives and to receive their input.

Following discussion regarding the 2007 budget, motion by Ringnell to certify a proposed levy in the amount of \$360,270, second by Poirot, carried. Dates for the Truth in Taxation hearing and continuation hearing, if necessary, were set for December 4 and December 11 at 7:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., respectively.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the transfer of designated fund balances as per the 2005 budget plan, second by Behne, carried.

Motion by Behne to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the Municipal Liquor Store to the General Fund as per the 2005 budget plan, second by Ringnell, carried.

A special meeting will be held on Monday, September 25, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of a workshop with financial advisor Shannon Sweeney of David Drown Associates.

Motion to adjourn by Poirot, second by Ringnell, carried.

