

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
January 21, 2015

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Kurt Olson on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 with members Carroll Behne, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell and Jeff Ross present. Absent, Mayor Dorothy Behne. Also present City Admin/EDA Director Samuel Hansen and Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen.

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

Motion by C. Behne to approve the minutes as written and sent to each council member for study, second by Ross, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Val Omvig of the Sherburn Fire Relief Association gave a presentation to propose an increase in the annual benefit level to \$1,400 for eligible members. The presentation noted that with the increase the Relief Association would still be fully funded and no contribution from the city would be required. Motion by Olson to approve the increase in benefit level from \$1,300 to \$1,400, second by C. Behne, carried.

Greg Mitchell of Bolton and Menk presented the Council with the preliminary engineering inspection, evaluation and report for the water storage tank (tower). Mr. Mitchell reviewed the current conditions as well as the recommendations. The interior wet, exterior, and a portion of the interior dry are recommended to have complete replacement. There are items in the valve pit/vault and structural items that are recommended to be placed and/or improved. Further discussion was held as far as timing of the project and possible funding sources. Motion by Olson to authorize Bolton & Menk to prepare the bid specifications for the project, second by Ringnell, carried.

At this time the second reading of Ordinance 2015-1 was held, Amending the City of Sherburn Zoning Map by Rezoning the East 208' Portion of Parcel No. 38-100-0440, Located at 401 Fairmont Ave, Sherburn, Minnesota from I-1, Industrial to B-1, Business. Motion by Ringnell to approve Ordinance 2015-1, second by Olson. Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Ross, yea; C. Behne, yea. Ordinance 2015-1 approved.

Motion by Ross to approve Resolution 2015-2 Accepting Donation of \$210 from Donna Anderson and Ardis Brolsma in Memory of Kevin Anderson for the Fire Department, second by Ringnell. Ross, yea; Ringnell, yea; C. Behne, yea; Olson, yea. Resolution 2015-2 approved.

City Admin/EDA Director Hansen presented the Council with a chart explaining how churches are currently being charged for utility bills. He explained that churches are paying a flat rate and are not being charged by their consumption. He also noted that he contacted several surrounding communities and no one else had a special rate for churches. Motion by Ross to table the discussion until further history can be obtained, second by C. Behne, carried.

Administrator Report

- Audit Fieldwork will take place March 10 & 12 and City Hall will be closed to the public.

- The Capital Improvement Plan Software has been installed.
- Hansen has been appointed as a League Representative to the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan Advisory Board
- The Temperance Lake Ridge refinancing bond was sold with a savings of over \$258,000

In other business, discussion was held regarding GIS mapping of utilities to help Public Works be able to locate items such as water valves and curbstops.

Motion to adjourn by Ringnell, second by C. Behne, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen