

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
December 7, 2015

A regular council meeting was duly called to order by Mayor Dorothy Behne at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2015 with members Kurt Olson, Jeff Ross, Carroll Behne and Brad Ringnell present. Absent, none. Also present, City Admin/EDA Director Sam Hansen and Deputy Clerk Dannielle Peters.

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

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

Consent agenda including payment of bills, Cigarette & 3.2 Off-Sale Beer Licenses for Kum & Go and Casey's General Store, 3.2 On-Sale Beer & Wine/Strong Beer License for the Cup & Saucer was declared approved.

At this time the public hearing for the 2016 Final Budget & Tax Levy was called to order with no community members in attendance. With discussion of the budget and no public comment the public hearing was declared adjourned at 6:20 pm.

On the regular agenda Margarete Dillard of the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce spoke about the *Brain Gain* project. This grant funded work has a goal to draw in educated, skilled young adults with families in the age range of 30-49 year olds to return or relocate to the area of Martin County. They host monthly meetings at U.S. Bank in Fairmont at 12 noon on the 4th Thursday of each month, open to the public. Motion by Ringnell to approve Resolution 2015-22 Accepting Donation from Federated REA Trust, second by Ross. Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Ross, yea; Behne, yea; D. Behne, yea; Resolution 2015-22 approved. Motion by Olson to approve Resolution 2015-23 Approving State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Sherburn on behalf of its City Attorney and Police Department, second by Ross. Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Ross, yea; Behne, yea; D. Behne, yea; Resolution 2015-23 approved.

Admin update:

- Information was given on the GIS Utility Mapping Application. This mapping application has various abilities such as flagging and tracking areas in need of attention and maintenance, it can track water mains, street projects and aid in locating water main shut off locations.
- Hanson informed the council of Steve Mattsen of North Links Securities passing away.
- A presentation on the Enterprise budget will be given during the next meeting.
- Evaluations will be completed by the next council meeting

In other business, Councilor Ringnell noted the S. Main and Hwy 86 street light has not been repaired. The city website needs to be updated to keep the employee list current. Also, a suggestion of research to be completed on feasible system for the way the Municipal Liquor Store keeps tabs. With this research the goal should be to implement a new system as soon as possible. Councilor C. Behne asked for the City Streets department to keep intersections cleaned up after snowfall to aid in accident prevention.

Motion to adjourn by Olson, second by Ringnell, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Dannielle Peters, Deputy Clerk