

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
June 16, 2014

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dorothy Behne on Monday, June 16, 2014 with members Carroll Behne, Dorothy Behne, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell, and Jeff Ross present. Also present City Admin/EDA Director Samuel Hansen, and Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen.

Motion by Olson to approve the agenda, second by C. Behne, carried.

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

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Financial Advisor Shannon Sweeney of David Drown Associates was present with the results of the bond sale for the 2014 Street Improvements. Two bids were received for the \$1,935,000 General Obligation Improvement Bond, and the low bidder was Northland Securities, Inc. at 3.0154%. Mr. Sweeney noted that the Standard & Poor bond call with City Staff reaffirmed the AA- rating. He recommended the bid be awarded to Northland Securities, Inc.

Motion by Olson to approve Resolution 2014-13 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of \$1,935,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2014A, Pledging Special Assessments for the Security Thereof and Levying a Tax for the Payment Thereof, second by Ross. Olson, yea; Ross, yea; C. Behne, yea; Ringnell, yea; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-13 approved.

At this time Becky Severtson from LTD Broadband was present to express LTD Broadband's desire to place an antenna on the water tower for wireless high speed internet. She explained that since Clearwave shut down in February many folks in the area lost an internet choice. In exchange for power and space on the water tower, LTD Broadband will provide free internet service to all city buildings. Motion by Ross to approve LTD Broadband to put an antenna on the water tower, second by C. Behne, approved.

City Auditor Joel Stencil of EideBailly was present with the 2013 audit for the City of Sherburn. Mr. Stencil distributed and reviewed the executive summary, which illustrated an increase in the general fund balance of cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$179,000. As expected, the water/wastewater fund ran a deficit due to the PFA loan. The municipal liquor store showed a net income. EDA revenues continue to exceed expenditures. Temperance Lake Ridge experienced a fund decrease due to final costs of the Memory Expansion project. Motion by Ringnell to accept the 2013 audit report as presented, second by Olson, carried.

City Admin/EDA Director Hansen presented the Council with Waste Management's proposed addendum to the refuse/recycling contract. He explained that there are several residents in town who use the bag tags as their sole means of garbage disposal and that is not their intention. Bag tags are meant to be used for excess garbage. To try to rectify the situation, Waste Management is proposing a special rate for resident over 65 years of age that will be 15% lower than the standard rate for the 32-gallon trash cart. The Council questioned whether Waste Management was going to do away with the bag tags altogether. Motion by Ringnell to table the discussion until the next meeting when further information could be obtained, second by Ross, approved.

Motion by Ringnell to accept Resolution 2014-15 Resolution Accepting Donation of \$2,500 from Pioneer for the Sherburn Fire Department, second by Olson. Ringnell, yea; Ross, yea; Olson, yea; C. Behne, yea; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-15 approved.

Motion by Ringnell to accept Resolution 2014-16 Resolution Accepting Donation of \$250 from the Fox Lake Conservation League and \$465.35 from the Sherburn Lions Club for the Purchase of Volleyball Pit Sand in the Park, second by Ross. Ringnell, yea; Ross, yea; C. Behne, yea; Olson, yea; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-16 approved.

Motion by Olson to declare the old Fire Department boat motor and air compressor as excess property, second by C. Behne, approved.

Motion by Mayor Behne to appoint Mayor Dorothy Behne, Councilor Carroll Behne, Nathan Amborn, Becky Tish, Seth Lintelman, Sharon Huse and Justin Williamson to the EDA Board, second by Olson, approved.

Administrator Report

- Mulsota has been doing a great job on the Temperance Lake Ridge Lawn
- City Hall will be closed June 24-25 for Phase 3 of the software installation
- Admin Hansen will be out of the office July 9 through July 14 for a convention
- There has been an inquiry for rental of the old cop shop building
- Working through receiving credit reports to review the revolving loan fund applications

In other business, City Admin/EDA Director Hansen discussed with the Council the recent contact made with Canadian Pacific Railroad regarding the crossings. Canadian Pacific offered the City \$15,000 to close the Lake Street Crossing and would also allow us to fix the Main Street crossing this year. Due to Canadian Pacific's time/budget constraints, they say both crossings cannot be repaired in the same year.

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

Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen