

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
July 7, 2014

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dorothy Behne on Monday, July 7, 2014 with members Carroll Behne, Dorothy Behne, and Jeff Ross present. Absent: Kurt Olson & Brad Ringnell. Also present City Admin/EDA Director Samuel Hansen, and Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen.

Motion by Ross 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 Ross, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills and a fence permit at 107 N Prairie was declared approved.

At this time the Public Hearing for the Rural Service District was called to order. City Admin/EDA Director Hansen explained that under a Rural Service District qualified undeveloped property would be taxed at a lower rate due to using a lower level of city services. This rate as determined by City Attorney Jim Wilson based on the 2013 audited financial statements would be 31%. Hansen explained that this rate typically falls into the 30-35% range and we are comparable to other communities in our area. With no further discussion, the Public Hearing was declared adjourned.

Motion by C. Behne to move forward with the Rural Service District as presented, second by Ross, approved.

At this time the first reading of Ordinance 2014-2 An Ordinance Adding Section 901.12 to the Sherburn City Code, Zoning for Qualified Property in an Urban District Setting the Ratio of Benefits Resulting From Tax Supported Municipal Services took place.

Gary Heinzig, Waste Management Representative, was present to explain the addendum to the Waste Refuse contract that was presented at the previous meeting as well as explain the current status of bag tags. Mr. Heinzig explained that Waste Management wants to offer a discounted rate of 15% off for seniors on the 32 gallon garbage container and recycling as they do in many other communities and that this discount was overlooked with the original contract. It was also explained that the bag tags are intended for excess garbage only and are not meant to be the sole source of disposal. In past practice Waste Management would pick up lone bags on the street but due to increasing safety regulations and the current contract verbage, bags with bag tags must be placed next to a Waste Management garbage cart to be picked up. It was noted that the garbage and recycling containers should be placed three feet apart to allow room for the automatic arm to dump the containers efficiently. Motion by C. Behne to approve Resolution 2014-14 Waste Management Addendum, second by D. Behne. C. Behne, yea; Ross, nay; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-14 approved.

Motion by Ross to approve Resolution 2014-17 Appointing Election Judges for 2014 Primary and General Elections, second by C. Behne. Ross, yea; C. Behne, yea; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-17 approved.

Motion by Ross to approve Resolution 2014-18 Accepting Donation of \$526.50 from United Way of Fairmont for the Benefit of the Fire Department, second by C. Behne. C. Behne, yea; Ross, yea; D. Behne, yea. Resolution 2014-18 approved.

Administrator Report

- The Fire Relief Association 2013 Audit has been received as well as their SC-14 which shows no city contribution required for 2015.

Motion to adjourn by Ross, second by C. Behne, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Deputy Clerk Nicole Steffensen