

## **CITY OF SKYLINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes**

**Present:** Mayor Mike Kluck; Treasurer Lon Whitehead; Council Members Samantha Erickson, Travis Javens, Dean Rengstorf; Roger Hermanson, Emily Javens.

### **September 10, 2012**

Call Meeting to Order 6:45 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

15-Minute Public Open Forum

Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve, Travis Javens, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dean Rengstorf. Passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve, Samantha Erickson, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dean Rengstorf. Passed unanimously.

City Clerk's Report – no report

City Treasurer's Report – Lon Whitehead meets with Burkhart tomorrow to review audit.

Council is okay with no presentation at next meeting unless there is a discrepancy.

Motion to approve, Dean Rengstorf, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Travis Javens. Passed unanimously.

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Water Department – Samantha Erickson reported, water ordinance from League of Minnesota cities – we would need to change a few things and publish that there will be a hearing on adopting an ordinance for next meeting. We need to change wording to include garbage and recycling. Samantha Erickson will check LMC website to look for these ordinances as well as any other ordinances pertaining to billing the homeowner for something that the city had to act on.

Mike Kluck to invite Ken White to come to next meeting to get a water/sewer/garbage/recycling ordinance.

MVTL provided a proposal for maintaining, calibrating, downloading data, etc. for our water flow metering. No formal approval needed until we have the water flow meter.

Bolton Menk has proposal to have Northwestern Power Equipment. Dean Rengstorf motioned to approve the quote, Samantha Erickson, second. Passed unanimously. They have someone who they can purchase the equipment from as well as the company that installs it. We as a city can contact the City of Mankato to televise the lines for the four houses on the hill that are billed by Skyline.

Vetter house – we will watch the next meter readings to see if there is a need to have the meters checked.

Drew and Shanna Hood's grinder pump alarm went off this past Saturday. George met with Travis Javens. The pump was fine but the alarm kept going off. George was coming back to pull the pump and check. After all hooked up there needs to be pressure testing and so Schwickerts was contacted. This is the City's responsibility.

City of Mankato contacted Roger Hermanson to obtain permission to use our hydrants for ones they have on the hill with low pressure.

Street Department – Dean Rengstorf reported crew is here today for manholes. The curbing is being replaced with crushed asphalt edging. They will complete this tomorrow.

Talked to Len Lotten about street signs. Council is considering painting center lines to help control the traffic. Still not sure of adding signs. We need to find someone who will be able to paint the lines. Line around the park, line at the stop signs, and center line. Try to do this before end of the year.

AmLawn will remain for snow removal if their prices stay the same. We had no real complaints from the last year.

Parks & Playgrounds Department – Travis Javens reported working on cleaning service, pest control, wiring for TV.

Park bench broke loose. Basketball net getting ratty but replace in the spring. Wood posts by baseball diamond are rotting away. Look into new posts or the steel guardrail as this protects our well.

Public Safety Department – Rebecca Carpenter absent. She sent notice of talking to Gil Harrison about hedges. She is also checking into having the city of Mankato patrol the morning and evening traffic.

Roger Hermanson reported – tomorrow night regional meeting in Waldorf, 17<sup>th</sup> we host a meeting here, last meeting bought two nozzles for hose, possible reimbursement for our two new fire trainings.

Hazard mitigation could it be putting power lines underground?

Motion to approve departmental reports, Travis Javens, Dean Rengstorf, second. Passed unanimously.

### OLD BUSINESS

Further discussion of setting up City of Skyline guidelines for realtors, contractors and residents and status of Skyline Cooperative Association – still no response from Wally Gates.

Setting up regular cleaning and pest control for city hall.

Property lien ordinance /shutting off water for unpaid bills.

Traffic issues – Stop signs, yield signs, hire police/sheriff?

AT&T proposal – Ken White is working on this.

### NEW BUSINESS

Discuss proposed tax levy for upcoming year – last year we had a 3% increase. We have had quite a bit of expenses. 6% increase is a little over \$2700 a year. Proposal for a 6% tax levy increase for the year 2013. Motion to approve, Travis Javens, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Samantha Erickson.

Right of way ordinance to hold companies accountable for digging in cables.

Motion to adjourn, Samantha Erickson, second, Travis Javens.

Submitted by Samantha Erickson  
For Cathy Dahl, Clerk