

The Winfield City Council met in regular session on Monday May 9, 2011 at 7 PM at City Hall 115 N. Locust, Winfield, Iowa with Mayor J. Suter presiding. Council persons present- David Good, Robert Perrenoud, Ryan Rees and Jan Walter. Council member absent- Ryan Kinneberg. Others present were- Savannah Finnell, Laurie Hockenberry and Jeff Dietrich.

Public Hearing-Budget Amendment for FYE-2011- By a motion of D. Good, R. Rees 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried. The Public Hearing opened at 7PM. The mayor asked for any comments or questions from the public. There were none. By a motion of J. Walter, R Perrenoud 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 Carried. The public hearing closed at 7:03 PM.

Approval of Agenda- By a motion of D. Good, J. Walter 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried.

Consent Agenda-Bills and Minutes from April 11, 2011 Meeting- By a motion of D. Good, J. Walter 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1. Carried.

Departmental Reports

Public Works-Pilot Lights- R. Rodgers was not present to give a report. J Suter reported that the City lost gas pressure a couple of weeks ago. We received a bill from Buffington Plumbing and Heating for relighting pilot lights due to the loss of gas pressure. By a motion of R. Perrenoud, R. Rees 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1. Carried

Library- L. Hockenberry reported the following circulation numbers: 791 people used the library, 121 computer users and has 693 card holders. She also reported the book club will meet on June 7, 2011 to discuss the book “ All Over but the Shoutin” and there is a Tri-County Library Association meeting on May 10, 2011 at 9 a.m

L. Hockenberry also reported the last day for movies will be on May 25, 2011, Summer Reading Program will be On Wednesdays and Fridays from June 15th –July 15th. The program is for Preschool through 5th grade.

She also reported the tile floors in the Library were stripped and waxed over the Holiday and they look great.

Police-Computer- J. Dietrich left a list of calls for service. The current computer now is becoming a problem for the department and needs to purchase a new one. By a motion of R. Rees, D. Good 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried.

Clerk- L. Frame Water Bill- S. Finnell reported she will take some vacation time this month, has been working on the budget amendment and also been working on the flower garden in front of the office.

S. Finnell reported Mrs. Frame has submitted a letter regarding her high usage in water. S. Finnell mentioned that the Sewer Forgiveness has already been applied to her account. J. Walter motioned to adjust the water bill by 50%, R. Rees 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1. Carried.

Public Forum- There was no one from the Public.

Whaley's Waste System-Contract –Jeff Vonnahme- Mr. Vonnahme was not available for the meeting. The topic will be on June's agenda.

Resolution 22-2011-Tax Abatement-Victory Lane Adventures, 601 S. Walnut, Winfield, Iowa 52659-J .Suter asked the council if anybody has changed their minds about not rewarding the tax abatement. The topic will be tabled for next month's meeting.

Resolution 25-2011-Adopt Plans, Specs and Form of Contract for 2011 Sanitary Sewer Renovation Project- By a motion of R. Rees, D. Good 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 Carried.

Resolution 26-2011-Award of Contract for 2011 Sanitary Sewer Renovation Project- By a motion of D. Good, R. Rees 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1. Carried.

Resolution 27-2011-Approve Budget Amendment- By a motion of D. Good, R. Perrenoud 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1. Carried.

110 N. Olive Project- J. Suter reported that he had somebody inquire interest in the property for business use but needs to talk to his financial personnel. J. Suter asked the council to have an idea for that lot at next month's meeting.

2011 Mount Pleasant Area Development Dues- J. Suter reported that the dues are up for renewal and has asked the council on their opinion of the investment. The council agreed it is a good investment and did help bring a business back to town. By a motion of R. Rees, J. Walter 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 Carried.

Twin lakes Golf Course Street Sign- J. Suter reported that the golf course has asked if the city could put up a sign for the business. A decision could not be made due to lack of information.

Bereavement Time- S. Finnell reported that the change is adding Grandparents to the list. By a motion of J. Walter, R. Perrenoud 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 Carried.

Cigarette Permit-Casey's General Store- By a motion of R. Rees, D. Good 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0, Absent-1 Carried.

Old Business- J. Suter reported that Petition for Richard Douglas regarding Abandoned Building has been filed.

Mayor's Comments- J. Suter reported Wyatt Peterson is working on the Elaine Scillio house. He also reported that Dallas Dunbar will have the debris from the demolition project last year cleaned up this summer and Phil's Automotive and Tire Repair will have the tires hauled away next week.

Adjournment- By a motion J. Walter, R. Perrenoud 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM. The next meeting will be on Monday June 13, 2011 at 7 PM.

Savannah Finnell, City Clerk

Jeff Suter, Mayor