

COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2011

Meeting called to order by Mayor Tammy Konz at 7pm

Pledge of Allegiance recited

Council members present: Tammy Konz, Nate Osmundson, Eric Loewen, Chris Jansky and Joe Krippner

Others present: Jean Matua, Jim Frilstad, Cheryl Foster, Chad Johnson, Glenn Winter, Tabitha Reinert, Randy Reinert, Steve Gohman and Gary Grossinger

Motion made by Eric Loewen and seconded by Joe Krippner to approve a Congenital Heart Defect Week Proclamation and the MMUA Membership as addendums to the agenda; motion carried

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to approve the January 18, 2011 minutes; motion carried

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to approve the January 27, 2011 Special Meeting minutes; motion carried

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to approve the claims; motion carried

Motion made by Eric Loewen and seconded by Chris Jansky to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Transfer \$349.34 from Water Fund to General Fund for Tractor Lease Payment
2. Transfer \$349.34 from Sewer Fund to General Fund for Tractor Lease Payment
3. Transfer \$83.60 from General Fund to Fire Fund to record portion of Clerk payroll for 2011
4. Order Late Utilities Shut of February 16, 2011
5. City employees to attend LMC Safety & Loss Control Workshops April 26, 2011 in St. Cloud
6. City Clerk to attend MCFOA Conference March 15 -18, 2011 in St. Cloud

motion carried

No Administrative Hearing needed to be held regarding Generations Ballroom's liquor license violation as Kerry Johnson Nolan had signed the Waiver of Hearing. Tabitha and Randy Reinert appeared before the Council to find out the penalty for Generations Ballroom as Kerry was out of town.

Motion made by Chris Jansky and seconded by Eric Loewen to assess the minimum penalty of \$500 and a one-day suspension to occur on February 2, 2011; motion carried

Gary Grossinger and Cheryl Foster from the Stearns County Assessor's Office presented information regarding property assessments in the City of Kimball. The Board of Review will take place on April 19 at 6pm at City Hall.

Glenn Winter and Steve Gohman spoke to the Council about the property that is for sale at 110 Linden Ave. They are looking at purchasing it for Land O'Lakes but it would have to re-zoned before they could put a shed on

it. If they would like to have a hearing regarding having the property rezoned before they buy it, the current owner would have to request that at a cost of \$150 per hearing.

They also addressed the issue of parking during ballgames. People that attend ballgames are parking on their lot that they lease from the Railroad and they are worried about what will happen if an accident occurs. The Council told them they will need to talk to the Kimball Express Ball team and the School District.

Chief Frilstad gave the monthly Police Report. The new squad should be here in a week or two. Mayor Konz said it should be stored inside as had been discussed when the Durango was first purchased.

Chad Johnson from the Public Works Department spoke to the Council about the Ball team not letting their department know before they use equipment. Councilmember Krippner said that he will speak with Jeremy Kuechle.

He said he spoke with Rich Jansky about the crops that are planted in the WWTP fields. Councilmember Loewen said the MPCA had stated only grass crops are to be planted. The Council discussed switching the lease to a yearly term. They also talked about annexing the property into the City and contracting with someone for the services that the fields require instead of leasing them out.

Chad attended a class regarding the new sign retro reflectivity requirements that will be coming out. The City must have a policy in place by January.

The Lions have decided against taking care of the Hockey Rink maintenance this year.

The Council discussed the employee handbook. The instructed that Clerk to add a section regarding paying out of PTO. There will be an employee meeting on the 11th at 11am to answer questions about the handbook and it will be approved at the next regular Council meeting.

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Chris Jansky to become a member of the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association (MMUA); motion carried

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Nate Osmundson to proclaim February 7 – 14, 2011 Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week; motion carried

Mayor Konz said that she had spoken with Brett Repulske at the USDA regarding the status of our grant project and we should know in about 6 weeks.

Councilmember Loewen asked the City Clerk to call Xcel Energy and Meeker Coop to get usage amounts.

There is a Kimball CARES Breakfast on February 17 at St. John's from 7 – 8am.

The Council discussed having a peddler/solicitor ordinance.

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to adjourn at 10:07pm; motion carried

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Pilarski