

COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 2, 2011

Meeting called to order by Mayor Tammy Konz at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance recited

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

Others present: Scott Qualle, Jean Matua, Chris Langness, Ed Borman and Duane Finger

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

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes of the July 20, 2011 Council Meeting
2. Transfer \$349.34 from Water Fund to General Fund for Tractor Lease Payment
3. Transfer \$349.34 from Sewer Fund to General Fund for Tractor Lease Payment
4. Approval of Kimball Fire Relief Association Public Dance Permit for August 13, 2011
5. Approval of Gambling Permit for Stearns County Thunderin' Toms on September 7, 2011

motion carried

The City Clerk informed the Council she had called Anna Albrecht to remind her she was on the Council agenda and Mrs. Albrecht said that she had been called in to work from 5:30-8:30 and would be unable to attend the meeting. The City Clerk told Mrs. Albrecht that she could call her at 8:30 to let her know if the Council was still meeting and she could come and speak with them after she was done working. Mrs. Albrecht said that would be fine.

Officer Langness gave the monthly police report.

Duane Finger from the Kimball Lions spoke with the Council. The new bathrooms at Willow Creek Park will not be done by Kimball Days. The Lions would like a snow fence to be placed by the storm water pond next to the hockey rink during Kimball Days. The electrical at the park needs to be brought up to code for the new bathrooms. Duane did not have the cost but thought it should be no more than \$1000.

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen to pay for the electrical upgrade and labor; motion carried

Motion made by Nate Osmundson and seconded by Joe Krippner to have natural gas service installed at the park shelter; motion carried

Scott Qualle from MNSPECT spoke with the Council regarding the new building inspection contract.

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Nate Osmundson to approve the new building inspection contract pending approval from the City Attorney; motion carried

Motion made by Eric Loewen and seconded by Joe Krippner to accept a donation in the amount of \$437.51 and use that donation to offset the cost of the electrical upgrade at the park; motion carried

The Council discussed the fire escape. Al's Ornamental has not started work to bring the fire escape up to building code.

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Eric Loewen that the City agreed to a resolution to the fire escape issue with Mr. Haus, he did not follow through on his end of the resolution, he can now come and pick up the stairs and give the City its money back

Joe Krippner rescinded his motion

Motion made by Joe Krippner and seconded by Nate Osmundson to authorize the building inspector and City Attorney to move forward with criminal complaint process against Al Haus from Al's Ornamental for violating the state building code; motion carried

The Council asked Scott to please drive by 110 Linden Ave for building safety concerns.

Ed Borman from the Public Works Dept. had a bid for paving at Willow Creek Park that was requested by the Council at the last meeting. Mid-Minnesota Hot Mix from Annandale bid the project at \$1.45/sq. ft. for 3" paving and \$1.85/sq. ft. for 4" paving. The prices are based on approx. 15,000sq ft. of paving. The Council will look at doing this possibly next year, as it was not budgeted for this year.

The Council discussed moving the playground equipment at Willow Creek Park. Councilmember Loewen will work on putting a proposal together for that project.

The City Clerk called Mrs. Albrecht as it was 8:30. She did not answer and a message was left to let her know that the Council was still meeting and that she should come up to City Hall.

The Council took a brief recess at 8:34 to view the property at 11 Hazel Ave and 31 Hazel Ave.

The City Clerk called Mrs. Albrecht at 8:50 to see if she was on her way to speak with the Council. She did not answer. The Clerk again left a message saying the Council was still meeting and that she should come up to City Hall.

Motion made by Eric Loewen and seconded by Joe Krippner to adjourn at 8:54; motion carried

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Pilarski