

MINUTES, HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Keith Swenson at the Henderson Community Meeting Room. Present were Council Members George Scheffler, Lamona Phillips, Dan Reiman and Julie Determan. Also present were Henderson Independent Newspaper Editor Garrett J. Brenno, mary Oudekerk, Steve Fries, Robert Lawrence, Dennis Odens and Taylor Kahlow.

Motion Swenson, seconded Reiman to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

Police Chief reported on monthly activity including a juvenile misconduct incident; MNCS soft air rifle incident and investigation with restraining order and traffic citations.

Mary Oudekert, a Minnesota Small Business Development Center consultant presented information relating to their programs. They provide free one on one sessions, market research, financial planning, workshops, quick books training and other specialized activities. The free South Central Small Business Fair will be April 24 at Rasmussen College in Mankato.

Fire Chief Steve Fries presented information on upcoming potential projects. There has been some discussion on exploring fire hall expansion options; they are looking at a tanker to be included in the 2009 budget; rates charged to townships (increase of \$50 per section) and call rates were raised in 2008 (increased from \$400-\$500); chili cook-off on Saturday, February 23; looking into paying members for calls and training (will study budget options and come back with a recommendation); discussed the new auto aid system and other training opportunities.

Dennis Odens representing the engineering firm of Banner Associates, Inc. presented information on their services.

City Administrator reported on employee staffing; Sibley County Library system meetings; 2007 pay equity report; Oak View Heights project status; water booster station recommendation from S.E.H. (no action taken at this time); I & S mapping and treatment plant project proposals; Ehlers correspondence on bond refunding opportunities; correspondence from Representative Marty Seifert (no action taken); MPCA and PFA correspondence and Mediacom correspondence.

Motion Determan, seconded Reiman to approve the 2007 Pay Equity Implementation report. Motion carried.

Motion Phillips, seconded Determan to approve the proposal for mapping services as submitted by I & S. Motion carried.

Motion Swenson, seconded Phillips to have the next city council meeting on Monday, February 25, 2008 (meeting will be in either Henderson or Le Sueur depending on the status of the MRVPUC project) at 7:00 P.M. and not have a meeting Wednesday, February 27. Motion carried.

Motion Swenson, seconded Reiman to approve the proposal from I & S relating to a land study, survey and plant decommissioning for the wastewater treatment plant project. Motion carried.

MRVPUC members reported on recent activities.

Determan reported on steering committee meeting. Planscape Partners will hold 3 sessions beginning in April relating to entrepreneurial development.

Motion Reiman, seconded Scheffler to approve the following city bills:

CITY OF LE SUEUR	\$174,338.49
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ABDO EICK & MEYERS	\$4,000.00
CHESTER ALDRICH	\$30.00
COMMUNITY PARTNERS INC	\$122.51
COMPUTER RENAISSANCE	\$165.84
CRYSTEEL	\$6,863.31
ETTERMAN ENTERPRISES	\$176.63
EXCEL ENERGY	\$4,833.35
FRONTIER COMM.	\$502.95
HEIMAN INC	\$724.80
HENDERSON INDEPENDENT	\$401.13
HWY. AG SERVICES	\$42.00
J.R. BRUENDER CONST. INC.	\$102.65
JULIE DETERMAN	\$34.20
LANO EQUIPMENT OF	\$2,181.90
LE SUEUR MEDICAL CLINIC	\$325.00
LES TRIMBO	\$17.80
LON BERBERICH	\$25.15
MENARDS	\$68.43
METRO WEST INSPECTION	\$558.80
MIDWEST FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$96.00
MILTON MEIERBACHTOL	\$5.74
MINN DEPT OF HEALTH-MDH	\$578.00
MINNESOTA PIPE AND	\$2,483.30
MN RURAL WATER ASSOC.	\$150.00
MN VALLEY ELECTRIC	\$141.00
MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$277.48
NAPA AUTO PARTS ARLINGTON	\$764.19
NELSON & JONES LDT	\$1,309.18
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS	\$2,235.30
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC	\$102.90
REYNOLDS WELDING SUPPLY	\$65.69
SEH	\$496.40
SIBLEY COUNTY AUDITOR	\$8.00
SIBLEY COUNTY TREASURER	1,176.04
STEVE FRIES	\$577.70

TRUE VALUE	\$448.47
UNIFORMS UNLIMITED	\$865.49
WACONIA FARM SUPPLY	\$135.83
WAGAR'S RED OWL	\$1,300.46
WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$5,494.40
WING NUT	\$47.93
ADVANCED OVERHEAD DOOR	\$906.00
CATV LE SUEUR HENDERSON	\$1,705.82
CITY OF WINTHROP	\$609.00
COMMUNITY PARTNERS INC	\$367.54
FIRST STATE BANK	\$459.27
TOM FRAUENDIENST	\$175.00
TRUSTWORTHY HARDWARE	\$4.14

Motion carried.

Review of December 2007 financial information and end of month reports.

Motion Swenson, seconded Determan to approve the December end of month and reconciliation reports as submitted. Motion carried.

Swenson reported on legislative meeting and upcoming potential issues in the 2008 legislative session.

Mayor Swenson adjourned the meeting at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Lon Berberich  
City Clerk