The City Council of the City of Belview met for the regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2009, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Marlo Sander, Council Members: Linda Sullivan, and Dianne Donner,
**ABSENT:** Janet Anderson
**STAFF:** David Diekmann and Lori Ryer
**OTHERS:**

Mayor Sander called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The consent agenda was approved by a motion from Linda Sullivan and was seconded by Dianne Donner. Carried.

Dianne Donner reported on the meeting that Janet Anderson and her attended with Brad Zimmer of the American Legion and Debbie Bernardy of Inn Like Flinn to discuss the negotiating of the Odeon liquor contract. The meeting went well and an agreement was reached. The two businesses will take turns on serving liquor at the larger events while smaller events such as wedding dances and anniversary parties will have the choice of who they contract with for liquor at the Odeon Hall.

Lori Ryer gave a report on the Neighborhood Watch meeting. There were about 20 people in attendance. Sheriff Hansen was present and encouraged citizens to call the sheriff’s office whenever they see suspicious activity. It was the general consensus of those in attendance for the time being at least not to have regular meetings of the neighborhood watch group. Those in attendance were asked to share what they have learned about observing and reporting suspicious activity with their friends and relatives. Signs have been ordered and will be put up soon which indicate that Belview is a Neighborhood Watch Community.

The Council reviewed the draft of the personnel policy, which Bruce Gryting had edited. Dianne Donner made a motion, which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to approve the amended policy. Carried.

Dianne Donner made a motion which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to declare the elevator property unsafe in accordance with Chapter 9 of the City of Belview Code of ordinances. Signs are to be posted on the structures warning the public not to enter the structures due to safety reasons. The City Attorney will notify the owner.

A couple of more citations will need to be written regarding the environmental ordinance. The city attorney is currently handling a couple of issue for the city.

Carbonite backup was recently purchased for the City computer. It is an off site backup and was very reasonably priced.
The City Council accepted the resignation of Bruce Gryting effective immediately. Myrle Peterson was appointed to fill the vacancy by a motion from Linda Sullivan seconded by Dianne Donner. Carried.

The City will again be advertising for part time summer help. The position will be the same as last year with $8.00 per hour being offered for 20 plus hours per week.

Rehabing the athletic field was discussed. It will be shifted over to the east and south. This would open the alley up. More aggregate lime will be added along with some new fencing. Chad Krinke offered to help with the project. Prices need to be gotten before any work begins. The project needs to be done in steps over the next couple of years.

David Diekmann informed the City Council that his sewer flows have slowed down so it is a good time to have the sewer line televised. Marlo Sander noted that Redwood Falls has a camera and we should check with them to see how much it would cost for them to do the work.

Fire Chief Diekmann reported that all of our radios are or will be reprogrammed so that they are programmed the same as other departments in the county. He also brought up the fact that one of the firemen is living way out of the district and does not even work close to our fire district. The City Council asked the Fire Chief to talk with the fireman.

Lori Ryer gave the council a new report on checking and investment balances. It was agreed that it was good report and they would like to see it every month.

Lori Ryer and David Diekmann shared their monthly activity journal with the council.

Four building permits were approved. There was a stipulation regarding Bernardy’s deck permit. There was a concern that it not block the field of vision as it is a corner lot.

Lori Ryer was asked to attend the MN Valley Regional Rail Coalition meeting in Winthrop on April 17th.

The upcoming Redwood County Cities meeting date and location was discussed.

The Board of Appeals and Equalization for the City of Belview will be meeting at the Belview Community Center on April 21st.

Meeting adjourned.

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City Clerk/Treas.                                              Mayor