The City Council of the City of Belview met for a regular monthly meeting on February 14, 2012 at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members: Marlo Sander, Linda Sullivan, Janet Anderson, Myrle Peterson and Dianne Donner
ABSENT: None
STAFF: Lori Ryer and David Diekmann
OTHERS: Rob Donner and Clifton Lerud

Mayor Marlo Sander called the meeting to order. Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve the consent agenda with a couple of additions to the agenda. Carried

Fire Chief Donner was present to discuss the fire department’s desire to purchase a Polaris Ranger 6x6. Discussion was held on sharing the expense with the city so that it could be also used by city when needed. Myrle Peterson made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve the purchase of the Ranger with the city paying for it initially and the Belview Fire Relief Assoc. reimbursing the city general fund for one half of the cost.

Jim Pingel was present to inquire whether the city would be interested in working with the Boy Scouts on Eagle projects for a couple of his scouts. They would like to enhance the Welcome to Belview signs. The City Council was in favor of working with the Boy Scouts and asked them to come back to a future meeting with sketches and a written plan.

Clifton Lerud, Belview First Responders President ask for permission to send a couple of the first responders to Long Hot Conference put on by North Memorial. The request was approved. It was also noted that first responders should be regularly attending first responder calls throughout the year in order to be allowed to attend the training.

Discussion was held on the costs of getting the old generator from the nursing home and using it at the lift station. David received quotes on a building and cement pad. More information still needs to be obtained. It was noted that the building does not need to be insulated.

The report from the building inspector on the property at 302 Third Street was reviewed. Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Myrle Peterson to have the City’s building inspector look at a couple of other properties in town also.

Lori Ryer reported that FEMA had reviewed the project worksheet for the storm damage to the water tower. After reviewing the project, they have agreed to pay for the repainting of the tower. The city contacted Maguire Iron to get on the schedule for this year. They sent out color samples for the council to pick from. Maguire Iron will be asked to send us drawings of what the water tower would look like with a few different color schemes.
David reported on sign reflectivity rules that are changing. The City will replace the stop signs and posts and a few other signs in town. We will also get new street signs. This was approved by a motion from Linda Sullivan and a second by Dianne Donner.

The City will check with the County about installing engine breaking prohibited signs at the entrances of town.

Mayor Sander noted that he had been asked for a letter of support for the MN Valley ATV Riders Assoc. for their upcoming project in Renville County. A motion was made by Janet Anderson and seconded by Myrle Peterson to send the letter of support. Carried.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve the liquor license for 2012 for the American Legion and Inn Like Flinns. Carried.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner approving Lori Ryer’s attendance at the MN Clerk’s and Finance Officers Conference in March. Carried.

Linda Sullivan and Dianne Donner gave a report on Parkview and Parkwood.

Janet Anderson shared her concern regarding semi-trucks parking on side streets. David will talk to the truckers.

The City Council agreed to apply for a tree grant through the DNR. The deadline is Feb. 17th.

Merlin Kletcher offered to help get the mini-golf course fixed up over the winter.

It was decided to send out requests for proposals for garbage hauling.

The City Council meeting was moved to the Odeon Hall. The Council choose the tile for the walls and the floors of the restrooms. It was decided to contact Mike Preuss about having Heartland Wood Products make trim to match the wanes coating in the Odeon for the new addition. It was also decided to leave the storage closet under the balcony rather than removing it as it would not create that much more usable space.

Meeting adjourned.

___________________________________  __________________________________
City Clerk/Treas.  Mayor