

CITY OF BELVIEW

July 13, 2013

The City Council of the City of Belview met for their regular monthly meeting on July 13, 2013 at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m..

PRESENT: Mayor Marlo Sander, Council Members: Dianne Donner, Linda Sullivan, and Janet Anderson, Myrle Peterson

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Lori Ryer, David Diekmann

OTHERS:

Mayor Sander called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.. The consent agenda was approved on a motion from Janet Anderson and was seconded by Linda Sullivan. Discussion on Chicken Ordinance Amendment was added to the agenda.

Myrle Peterson made a motion to approve two resolutions one to authorize Sander and Sons to dig a test hole to determine ground water level and one approving Sander and Sons to assist with snow removal. The motions were seconded by Linda Sullivan. Carried.

A tree quote was received from Redwood Nursery for tree planting this fall. It was noted that Ron Iverson tree will also be asked to submit a quote.

Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Myrle Peterson to approve the purchase three pagers for the first responders. They will be having a fund raiser in August to help offset the expense.

The monthly Checking and Investment report and Sick and Vacation report were reviewed by the City Council.

An invoice was presented for the rotor roter of a private sewer line by a resident as they were under the impression that the problem was actually on city property and not on the home-owners property. With the information given to the city council they determined that seeing how no other problems were found in the neighborhood it appeared to be the home-owners problem. They felt that if it were in the city line more households would have had an issue. Reimbursement was denied.

David reported on a water main break at Parkview Home. He also noted that there are a couple of trees in town that need to be taken down. He was asked to contact a licensed tree cutter to take care of them. The City Council asked him to pull the posts around the park. He was also asked to spruce up the volleyball pit in the park.

Mayor Sander reported that he had received a letter from a resident in regards to the poor condition of stop signs and street signs in town. David was directed to get the signs ordered. The City Council choose to go with blue street signs.

The City Council discussed the ECPN which is available to the City. The ECPN (Equitable Cost-Sharing for Publicly Owned Nursing Facilities) was established as a mechanism to allow non-state owned government entities that own a nursing facility and choose to contribute funds to the operation of that facility to receive federal match of those contributions. Any nursing facility whose physical plant is owned by or whose license is held by the City, County or Hospital District is eligible to participate. Parkview Senior Living has been identified by the State as eligible. If the City and Parkview Senior Living apply for this program, the nursing home can raise rates equal to its costs. This would net the nursing home approximately \$215,000 of additional revenue. The project is funded with Federal and State dollars. After receipt of the funds by Parkview Senior Living which is currently subsidized by the City of Belview the City is required to reimburse the State for its share to render the project cost neutral to the State. The application deadline is September 30, 2013. Myrle Peterson made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to approve a resolution allowing the City of Belview to participate in the State of Minnesota's ECPN.

The City's Chicken ordinance will be amended at the August meeting.

Myrle Peterson made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to approve a building permit from Rich Sullivan for a shed. The City Council is looking at revising the city's building permit requirements to regulate the size, location and placement of large storage sheds within city limits. A number of complaints have been received regarding large storage sheds that are being allowed to be built on lots that do not currently have a residence on them.

Mayor Sander offered to contact Chuck Veermersch of S.E.H. to discuss the next steps in proceeding with a possible infrastructure project in 2014.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to give full time employees a \$100 per month salary increase effective July 1. Carried.

Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Myrle Peterson to adjourn. Carried.

City Clerk/Treas.

Mayor