

CITY OF BELVIEW

June 14, 2011

The City Council of the City of Belview met for a regular monthly meeting on June 14, 2011 at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m..

PRESENT: Council Members: Marlo Sander, Linda Sullivan, Dianne Donner, Janet Anderson,

ABSENT: Myrle Peterson

STAFF: David Diekmann

OTHERS: Chuck Vermeersch, Fire Chief Rob Donner, Asst. Fire Chief Mike Preuess

Mayor Marlo Sander called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.. Consent agenda was approved by a motion from Janet Anderson and second by Dianne Donner. Approved. City Clerk/Treas. Lori Ryer was absent from the meeting due to a family emergency therefore minutes were taken by Linda Sullivan.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to approve the 2010 audit report as was presented at the May meeting by Mike Ulenkamp. Carried.

Chuck Vermeersch of S.E.H. was present and reported to the council on the work they had done so far. He gave an update on the "pavement ratings" of the streets in town. They are also developing a capital improvement plan for the city. They prioritized water and sewer issues. It was noted that if they will be removing the blacktop anyway it would be a good idea to televise the water and sewer lines.

There were also spot repairs that were needed on curbs. He also shared a summary of each street section. He will meet with David and group areas to summarize areas needing work. He had talked with David earlier about utilities and sewers. Because of the age of the tapes of the latest televising it was suggested that at least some areas need to be re-televised. A prospective schedule of work to be done was presented. It was suggested that a conversation should be had with the city's financial advisor to see how much can be done every 3 or so years. Discussion was also held on the lining of some water lines and manholes.

David reported that he hopes to be able to spray for weeds soon. It was also noted that some of the city's buildings need painting and repairs. The little pump house building located just south of the water department building was discussed. It was questioned whether or not this is usable space. Both shelter houses need painting. Pat Johnson will be asked about what to do with the fading steel on the large shelter house. The siding on the fire hall/city office needs to be done right away. It was suggested to put 4 outlets per pole in Sander Park for campers. The mini golf course was discussed. David reported that he had done some of the repairs. It was noted that the greens should be blown off after mowing. It was also decided to have a laminated sign indicating that the timer for the power to the course is located in the small shelter. There are a few storm drains that need attention.

They are located at the corner of Hibbard and Second Street and Main and Second Ave.. There is also a sink hole by the intersection of Second Street and Second Avenue. It was noted that there is a drain issue by Curt Sander's shop. That line should maybe be televised and it will be checked to see if it can be lined.

The two properties that the City Attorney corresponded with still have not done anything to correct the violations.

Gambling resolutions for the American Legion and the Belview Fire Relief Association were approved by a motion from Janet Anderson and a second by Dianne Donner. Carried.

Discussion was held on the Odeon Hall project grant and financing.

The Checking/Investment report and the Sick/Vacation report were reviewed.

Chad Krinke had asked about the trees in front of Grace Lutheran. He questioned whether they needed to get permission to remove and replant trees. It was suggested that the trees should not be removed unless they are damaged. David will talk to him.

David Diekmann will talk to Dave Forkrud about the damage to the south side of our city shop by customers of Cenex.

Fire Chief Donner and Asst. Fire Chief Preuss reported on new truck renovations. They plan on removing the box, shortening the truck frame 4 feet and painting the cab. Loren Borning has offered to switch the box for the tank on the fire truck being replaced for \$2000 and the painting cab valued at \$1000 to \$1200. He may swap paint job for the old truck. He can start in about 2 weeks. He will check out truck maintenance. The total price will be about \$3500 if there is no truck swap. The firemen raised enough on CRP burns to cover expenses. They also mentioned that they would like to add the tool box from the old tanker on to the new truck. This would require additional funds. A motion was made by Dianne Donner and was seconded by Janet Anderson to approve Loren's estimate of about \$3500. Carried.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner for the fire department to sell the old SCBA equipment as excess equipment. There are 6 sets available for purchase. The equipment will be sold as is and the purchaser will sign a waiver/disclaimer releasing the city of liability.

The City Clerk's Office will be closed from June 22 to June 24.

Dianne Donner and Linda Sullivan gave a Parkview report.

A building permit was approved for Ben Guza by a motion from Dianne Donner and a second by Linda Sullivan. He requested the permit for constructing an addition on to his garage. Carried.

A motion was made by Janet Anderson and was seconded by Linda Sullivan to approve the placement of underground lines in Belview by the Clara City Telephone Company. Carried.

The council tabled discussion until the July meeting on the upcoming Board of Equalization training.

Discussion was held regarding the mowing of the hay at the wastewater ponds. A copy of a letter that had been sent to the Bjorndahl family was reviewed.

A motion was made by Dianne Donner and was seconded by Janet Anderson to approve a resolution approving the purchase of gravel from Sander and Sons. Carried.

A motion was made by Janet Anderson and was seconded by Dianne Donner to adjourn. Carried.

City Clerk/Treas.

Mayor