

CITY OF BELVIEW

December 9, 2008

The Belview City Council and the Belview EDA met for their regular meeting of the month on December 9, 2008, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:00 p.m..

PRESENT: Mayor Marlo Sander, Council Members: Doug Arnold, Linda Sullivan, and Janet Anderson, and Bruce Gryting

ABSENT: Darcee Pederson, Glenn Huseby

STAFF: Lori Ryer, David Diekmann

Others: Richard Sullivan, Brad Zimmer, Mike Preuss, Dianne Donner

The Belview Economic Development Authority meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Rich Sullivan. Marlo Sander made a motion, which was seconded by Doug Arnold to approve the consent agenda.

The sign for Village Park Townhomes was discussed and it was decided to have the sign companies give a price for both a one and a two sided.

Mayor Sander called the City Council meeting to order following the EDA meeting.

Janet Anderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda and the motion was seconded by Linda Sullivan.

Fire Chief Mike Preuss addressed the council regarding the firemen bartending at the Odeon for Inn Like Flinn's and receiving a portion of the profits as a fundraiser for the Fire Relief. Recently the fire relief association found that they are not covered under Inn Like Flinn's liability insurance as was originally thought. In the event of a lawsuit the Fire Relief Association also found that the individual firemen working could be held personally liable and their pension could also be put at risk. According to Mike Preuss, a vote of the firemen will taken in a couple of days but it is looking like Inn Like Flinn will be taking over all of the dances. This is unfortunate for the firemen because they were able to raise approximately \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year working at the dances in the Odeon. The money they raised help to purchase much needed equipment and training.

Mike Preuss noted that he will be attending a Redwood County Fire Chiefs meeting regarding radio service in the county.

Discussed attorney correspondence regarding the issuing of two citations. Although the city had asked for citations to be issued back in September 2008 they have not been issued yet.

A sample request for proposal for a city attorney was discussed. The City Council would like the RFP to state that payment would be on a case by case basis with an hourly rate plus expenses.

Request by Char Donner to place her dumpster on the cement behind Land and Loan office was approved.

Janet Anderson made a motion, which was approved by Linda Sullivan to approve the engagement letter for the 2008 audit with Uhlenkamp and Associates. Carried.

The Neighborhood Watch order was received except for the metal signs. Lori Ryer reported that she had given the Neighborhood Watch Tool Kit to the Redwood County Sheriff's Office for them to review. After we get the information back from the sheriff's office we will plan our first meeting.

Lori Ryer gave an update on the elevator property. She had recently emailed Mark Wegner, President of the MN Prairie Line to see what the status was of them working with the Green Institute but had not heard back from him yet.

The City Council will hold their final meeting on 12/30/08 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Linda Sullivan gave a report on Parkview and Parkwood.

Discussion was held on the possible cuts in Local Government Aid by the Governor to help with the states deficit. At the time of the meeting, there was no word on how much of a cut if any the City of Belview would have.

Sick and vacation reports were viewed.

A letter from Hope for the City was shared with the council.

City Council approved a counter top to be installed in the city office. Will check on a used counter top.

David Diekmann talked about getting some new stop signs. In spring he will cement in the street signs so they do not turn.

The new snow plow will be here in a couple of weeks.

David Diekmann reported that he had gotten permission from Mike Grannes to pile snow from the streets by the old bulk plant.

Doug Arnold will be resigning from the City Council as he and his family have purchased a home in Redwood Falls. His term will be done at the end of the year. The City Council will appoint someone to complete the remainder of his term.

Mayor Sander and the rest of the council thanked both Bruce Gryting and Doug Arnold for the time they served on the City Council. They will both be missed.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion from Linda Sullivan and was seconded by Bruce Gryting.

City Clerk/Treas.

Mayor

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December 30, 2008

The Belview City Council for the final meeting of 2008 on December 30, 2008, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:00 p.m..

PRESENT: Mayor Marlo Sander, Council Members: Doug Arnold, Linda Sullivan, and Janet Anderson, and Bruce Gryting

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Lori Ryer

Mayor Sander called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.. The consent agenda was approved by a motion from Linda Sullivan, seconded by Janet Anderson. Carried.

Doug Arnold made a motion, which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to approve a resolution adopting the final levy for 2009 in the amount of \$68,730. With \$65,730 designated for the general fund and \$3000 for the wastewater debt fund.

The City Council gave their continued support for the City to work on the development of a potential industrial park to be located along the railroad and other business opportunities. He noted that he along with City Clerk Lori Ryer had been taking turns attending the MN Valley Rail Coalition meetings. He shared his views of the importance of the railroad to Belview for economic development reasons.

Meeting adjourned.

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Mayor