

CITY OF BELVIEW

July 8, 2008

The City Council of the City of Belview met for their regular monthly meeting on July 8, 2008, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m..

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

ABSENT: None

STAFF: David Diekmann and Lori Ryer

OTHERS: Mike Preuss

Mayor Sander called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.. The consent agenda was approved by a motion from Doug Arnold and was seconded by Bruce Gryting.

Fire Chief Mike Preuss asked the City Council what they would like to do with the Pursche fire truck that is in storage. The fire department felt that if the City Council did not want to restore it they should get rid of it. He noted that there is an interest party wanting to keep it in town so he would be willing to buy it and restore it. It was discussed that if the City Council did decide to sell it that it would have to be done so on sealed bids. It was the feeling of the council to keep it and restore it. It will be stored in the bus garage in the meantime. Linda Sullivan made a motion to get some estimates and get it moved to dry storage. Bruce Gryting seconded the motion. Carried.

The August Donner American Legion Post #309 has offered to pay for the electricity that was installed in the mini-golf course. The cost was \$1069. A thank you will be sent to them.

Mayor Sander informed the Fire Chief and the rest of the City Council that Hope for City organization would be interested in more fire equipment. It was also noted that contacts have been made and a few area fire departments have equipment that they would like to donate

An Internal Control Policy was presented for approval, by Lori Ryer, it was approved by a motion from Linda Sullivan and seconded by Bruce Gryting. Carried.

Election information was provided to the City Council by Lori Ryer. After reviewing the Election Calendar for 2008 the City Council changed the November council meeting to Monday, November 10th due to Veteran's Day.

The City Council reviewed sample ordinances for outdoor nuisances, building maintenance, and vehicles. This approved ordinance will cover many of the issues facing the City Council now and in the future. The City Council will act on the ordinance at 6:00 at July 22 during a special meeting called for that purpose. Property owners will have until September 1, 2008 to come into compliance with the new ordinance. After that time

letters will be sent along with pictures of the violation to the property owners. Violations will have to be taken care of within 10 days of receipt of the letter or the property owner could be charged with a misdemeanor and if the fine is not paid it will be assessed on the property taxes as of November 1st of each year. In extreme cases, a misdemeanor could even carry a jail sentence in addition to the fine.

David Diekmann reported that all three of the air release valves on the sewer main were replaced today without incident.

Bruce Gryting suggested that we contact a tree removal company to see if they can offer a price break if there were a number of people who had trees to be cut down. There might be some work they could do for the city also. David Diekmann will contact Ryan Tree Service.

It was noted that some minor maintenance on the greens at the golf course were needed. The City will also be looking into a donation box to be placed by the golf course.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion from Bruce Gryting and it was seconded by Doug Arnold. Carried.

City Clerk/Treas.

Mayor