The City Council of the City of Belview met for the regular monthly meeting on July 14, 2009, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:30 p.m.

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

**ABSENT:**  None

**STAFF:**  David Diekmann and Lori Ryer

**OTHERS:**  Steve Collins, Dennis Larson, Mark Traen, Mike Uhlenkamp

Mayor Sander called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The consent agenda was approved by a motion from Linda Sullivan and was seconded by Myrle Peterson. Carried.

Mark Traen asked the City Council if he could have a couple of wooden posts from the ball field when they are removed. Approved.

Lori gave a report on the progress of the elevator project.

Dennis Larson of MAAC of Montevideo was present to answer any questions that the City Council might have regarding environmental and demolition issues with the elevator. Lori reported that she had met with Dennis Larson earlier and he helped her establish a time line of items that needed to be addressed before the elevators could be burned or demo’d.

City Attorney Steve Collins was also present. He suggested that the Mayor and City Clerk have a meeting with Dallas Schroder as soon as possible to go over details of a contract between the City of Belview and Dallas in regards to the elevator property. He offered to draw up the contract and be present at the meeting.

City Attorney Steve Collins recommended that we go through the judicial process to take care of an environmental issue with property owned by Dean Scheer. Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to direct the City Attorney to continue the process.

City Attorney Steve Collins will be leaving for military service in Afghanistan. Attorney Joel Solie has agreed to be his replacement while he is gone. Steve will be leaving in August/September.

Mike Uhlenkamp from Uhlenkamp and Assoc. reviewed the 2008 audit. The City Council will review the audit and approve it at the August meeting.

Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve the recommendations of the audit in regards to interfund activity adjustments which included a payoff of a payable from the general fund to the debt service fund in the amount of
$19,000 for the 2007 PILOT dollars and allocated property taxes. This was approved retroactive to December 21, 2008. The motion also included the writing off of the uncollectible NSF checks from the Belview Liquor Store in the amount of $1263. Carried.

Dianne Donner made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to appoint Jim Goeltz to one of the two open positions on the Parkview Board. Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Myrle Peterson to appoint Edi Abrahamson for the other position. The City Council would like to thank Donald Gunelson and Carol Kuehn for their years of dedicated service to the board.

Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve a resolution to accept the donation of the first school bell from the one room school house by the Depot Museum. The donation was in memory of John Martin’s granddaughter. Carried.

Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to purchase 6 trees to replace some of the trees that were recently cut down. It was decided to give the adjoining property owners the option to choose the variety of tree they would like to be planted by their property in the boulevard.

Myrle Peterson made a motion which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to accept the offer to do the landscaping in front of the Odeon in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Casey Anderson by their family. The City Council approved the plans to redo the landscaping in front of the community sign on the north side of the Odeon also.

Discussion was held on replacing doors. Janet Anderson made a motion which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to replace the east door of the community center. Carried. It was also decided to check on whether we need a handicap push button entry door for the west door of the community center or if a regular door with handicap door handles is sufficient. It was decided to do a little more checking on the cost of replacing the west door of the fire hall. It is a 32 inch door and we need to check to see if it has to be replaced with a 36 inch door.

Myrle Peterson made a motion which was seconded by Dianne Donner to approve the conflict waiver form requested by Briggs and Morgan.

The City will not be having the National Nite Out event this year. They will be trying and incorporating some of the National Nite Out events at Small Town Saturday Night next year.

David shared information on a quote for redoing the back stop and some fencing going towards first and third base. The cost was about $5200. There is enough money in Cans For Kids to help pay for it. The Booster Club will be asked if they would like to be involved in the project. Linda Sullivan made a motion which was seconded by Janet Anderson to purchase the fencing from Menards. A work night will be set up when the
material is purchased. An outfield fence was discussed but it was decided not to install a permanent out-field fence.

The July Checking and Investment report was reviewed.

The sick and vacation report was reviewed.

Ervin Well did the inspection of both of the city wells.

David Diekmann reviewed 3 quotes for lining portions of the sewer. It would cost about $35,000 for 1000 feet or two city blocks. The use of copper sulfite for killing the roots in sewer lines was discussed David will do some more checking on that. It was suggested to ask if they would do the 1000 feet and split the cost between 2009 and 2010.

David Diekmann informed the City Council that he will be going on vacation for a portion of the last week in July.

A Belview Economic Development Authority report was given. New bylaws were approved. The City Attorney will be asked a question on the board makeup.

The X-cel Franchise renewal agreement was given to the council members for review and will be addressed at the August or September meeting.

Concerns about the appearance of the school property was brought to the councils attention.

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City Clerk/Treas.                                             Mayor