The City Council of the City of Belview met for their regular monthly meeting on November 12, 2008, at the Community Center, Belview, MN at 6:00 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: Brad Zimmer

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

Brad Zimmer reported that he had talked to Gary Flinn and Debbie Bernardy about the possibility of the American Legion and Inn Like Flinn’s to switch off every other year using the Odeon Hall as a second site with the fire relief. He noted that Inn Like Flinn would like to continue working with the Belview Firemen as they have been. Discussion was held on whose responsibility it is to set-up the bar for dances. When the City owned the liquor store the liquor store manager set-up the bar and got everything ready before a dance. The council asked that the firemen work with Inn Like Flinn to come up with set-up guidelines.

 Correspondence from the city attorney was read regarding a couple of violations that the city requested citations be given. Bruce Gryting made a motion, which was seconded by Doug Arnold to send out request for proposals for a city attorney.

The City Council adopted a RED FLAG POLICY, appointing Lori Ryer as Program Administrator. The identification information that will be required when someone comes in to hook-up to city utilities will be name, address, telephone number, driver’s license or photo ID, and for business an employer or taxpayer identification number.

A quote for residing the fire hall was reviewed. It came in much higher than expected and it was decided to get another quote.

The neighborhood watch toolkit has arrived. A meeting will be set after talking to the sheriff’s office. The neighborhood watch signs have been ordered. The whopper feed raised just over $300 and the cost of the signs was $288.

David reported on quotes for a new truck and a directional snowplow for tractor. Doug Arnold made a motion, which was seconded by Linda Sullivan to purchase the plow for the city tractor from Weltch Equipment if it is determined to be built tough enough for our tractor for about $3600 plus mounting.
The City Council canvassed the election results. The following votes were cast for the City elections.

**Mayor:**
Marlo Sander 172
Write-In 2

**Council Members:**
Dianne Donner 95
Janet Anderson 92
Jacky Schmidt 72
Roger Beavers 62
Write-In 2

There were 231 registered voters at the general election with 188 persons voting.

An email from Mark Wegner, President of the MN Prairie Line, was shared regarding their working with the Green Institute on the possibility of the railroad removing the elevators and receiving the tax incentive offered through the Institute.

The City Clerk’s office will be closed the Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years.

The City Council directed David Diekmann to have more tree trimming done this fall. In spring the city will be planting trees according to the city’s tree policy.

Discussion was held on televising the sanitary sewer by the end of Third Street.

The final meeting for the year was set for 12/30/08 at 6:00 p.m..

The Council directed David Diekmann to set the warming house down by the lift station and to set it on rock for drainage.

The approach to the burn pile is not user friendly after the county redid the road. While the city realizes that County Road #9 is not finished they felt that it was important to notify the county that something will need to be done. Marlo Sander will talk to the county highway department.

It was noted that a hydrant on the south side of town is still in need of repair.

Janet Anderson made a motion, which was seconded by Doug Arnold to adjourn.