

DELL RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, October 3, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Fiegen called the Dell Rapids City Council meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. at the Council Chambers in City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll was taken finding the following Council Members present: Keith DeLange, Mark Downs, Doug Grovenburg, John Paul, President Carrie Probst, David Sommerfeld, Vice-President Todd Wiebenga (left chambers at 8:50 p.m.) and Mayor Scott Fiegen. Absent: Carrie Testerman.

Staff Present: City Administrator, Justin Weiland, Finance Officer, LeAnn Kerzman and City Attorney, Dean Hammer.

Approval of Agenda: Downs moved and Grovenburg seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Downs moved and Sommerfeld seconded to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on September 19, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

First Reading of Ordinance #751 – Revised Snow Removal Ordinance: Weiland briefed the council on the primary differences the ordinance will address. Currently the city will plow all streets and vehicles parked on the roadway have 24 hours to move vehicles for the next pass of the plow. This causes inefficient use of the cities time and money by plowing the same roadway twice for one snowfall. A snow emergency will be declared and notice given that plowing will begin. Vehicles will need to be moved and roads will be plowed. Any vehicles not moved would be subject to ticketing and possible towing. Weiland and Hammer are working out additional wording within the ordinance prior to its passage. Sommerfeld moved and Wiebenga seconded the first reading of ordinance #751. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims Approved: Sommerfeld moved to approve claims less the \$100 to LG Everist for the stone engraving for the Fire & Rescue building as it was not discussed with the council prior to being ordered. Motion died for the lack of a second. Paul moved and DeLange seconded to approve the following claims as presented. Motion passed 6 to 1 with Sommerfeld opposed. A-Ox Welding, supplies 105.38; Ackerman Refrigeration, cooler service call 150.00; Argus Leader, publishing 307.13; Argus Leader Media, subscription 29.10; Bunkers Oil, diesel \$2316.30; Buskerud Construction, trail pay request #8 27, 355.84; Cardmember Service, ICMA travel expenses 638.13; Concrete Materials, asphalt 1123.65; Dakota Care, health insurance 5847.22; Dakota Supply, supply 254.01; Dell Rapids Coop, supplies 299.25; Dell Rapids True Value, supplies 112.16; Delta Dental, insurance 625.60; DGR, engineering 34,104.36; Diamond Vogel, paint 554.00; Double H Paving, Iowa, 8th & 10th Street paving 122,358.30; Fenicle, Les, clothing allowance 200.00; First National Bank, 4th St DW loan #19 2,766.34; First National Bank, 4th St CW loan #18 9,576.78; First National Bank, lift station CW #6 16,196.08; First National Bank, 12th St CW #11 18,105.51; First National Bank, W 2nd St DW #27 10,778.35; GeoTek, trail testing 267.00; Hasler, postage 300.00; HD Supply Waterworks, parts 2171.90; ICAP, Aug transit 2030.73; Koopman & Sons, propane contract 4650.00; LG Everist, road stone and engraving 1100.82; Linweld, rental 31.62; MidAmerican Energy, natural gas 30.35; Midwest Alarm, loops 105.35; Minnehaha Community Water, shop water and Sept city 10,600.18; Minnehaha County Clerk of Courts, small claims 12.06; Sam's Club Discover, supply 199.59; Schuneman Equipment Co, 2011 JD mower and deck with trade-in 5850.00; tyler technologies, annual support 7538.71; SD Dept of Revenue, July sales tax 365.50; Virg's Service, supplies 29.45; SDRS, retirement 6820.74; USPS, Sept billing 508.81; Winter Brothers Underground, 15th St #5 176,451.17; Xcel Energy, electricity/street lights 2761.45.

Visitors to be heard: Tom Wolff, Dell Rapids High School FFA Advisor, was present with students to brief the council on two grant opportunities he has available to him if the city can assist in providing projects in need of completion. Some suggestions were given and Weiland and Schildhauer will remain in contact.

Harold Skatvold, member of the Dell Rapids Development Company, was present to express his support of the upcoming agenda item of conducting a sewer feasibility study to the areas south of the river near Garfield Ave.

Mitch Adams was present to request the stripping of old Hwy 77 north of the four-way stop. Discussion has been held between Schildhauer and the county to determine who has the responsibility for the work.

Interlakes Community Action (ICAP) Annual Report: Jessica Pickett, Transportation Coordinator, was present to brief the council on the transit system. The bus runs Monday through Thursday from 8 to 3. Sioux Falls trip will be moved to Mondays after the morning pre-school run. Rides can be arranged by calling 940-4155. She provided brochures and ridership charts for the council to review.

15th Street Capital Project – Change Order #1: Trent Bruce of DGR informed the council of the request on behalf of Winter Brothers Construction to extend the substantial completion deadline from October 1, 2011 to October 15, 2011 due to the amounts of water they have encountered during the project. Sommerfeld moved and Probst seconded to approve the request. Motion carried unanimously.

15th Street Capital Project – Pay Request #4, \$176,451.17: Trent Bruce also requested the council approve the current pay request for work performed through September 24, 2011 in the amount of \$176,451.17 to Winter Brothers Inc. Asphalt paving was being performed today and the majority of all paving looks to be completed by October 5th. He expects the road opening to the public on the 17th of October. Downs moved and Paul seconded to approve pay request #4 in the amount of \$176,451.17. Motion carried unanimously.

Sioux River Red Rock Trail – Pay Request #8, \$27,355.84: Trent Bruce reported the paving is in the final stages. He expects to have substantial completion by the end of the week. Request to approve payment to Buskerud Construction for work performed through September 24, 2011. Paul moved and Probst seconded approving pay request #8 in the amount of \$27,355.84 to Buskerud Construction. Motion carried unanimously.

Dell Rapids Development Corporation Industrial Park preliminary funding request:

Weiland recommended the council consider approving the engineering study for sewer south of the Big Sioux River near Garfield Ave. Costs of engineering are estimated to be \$10,000 to \$12,000 and cost for geotechnical surveying will run another \$10,000 to \$12,000. This would allow the city to know if expansion and service is even possible within the area and what the lift station needs may be. Sommerfeld moved and Downs seconded to approve the cost of the study for sewer needs only. Motion carried while DeLange abstained from the vote.

Dell Rapids Event Center Access Easement Request - An easement currently exists between the Event Center and the Fire and Rescue Station. As construction has been completed at the

Fire Station, the Event Center owners have requested the easement be removed for the possible further development of the land. Sommerfeld moved and Probst seconded to allow Mayor Fiegen and Kerzman to sign document to allow the release of the cities access easement. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works – 2012 Motor Grader Purchase: Weiland shared information with the council regarding a 2011 motor grader that meets the specs advertised for bid with the Aurora County Commission in July of this year. Base price is \$229,400. Add \$1400 for 2ft blade extension; add \$4000 for 17.5R25 radial tires with multi-piece rims; add \$3000 for front and rear fenders and deduct \$17,000 for hours on the machine for a total of \$220,800. Weiland requested approval to sign a purchase order to allow for the purchase of the vehicle in 2012. Downs moved and Paul seconded to approve the signing of the purchase order. Motion carried unanimously.

Free Rubble Site - Fall Clean-up: The leaf pile will once again be available per Public Works Director, Schildhauer. It is located outside the LG Everist west quarry entrance on Zero Street. Free Rubble Site access was discussed. Paul moved and Wiebenga seconded to offer the community free access on Saturday, October 22nd and Saturday, October 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with the exception of appliances. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrators Report: Justin Weiland reported on the following:

- Request received regarding reestablishing the ice rink. Consensus of the council to ask Public Works for create the ice rink at the same location and tend as time allows.
- Annual review for Weiland is forthcoming. Councilmembers should present their evaluations to Mayor Fiegen.
- Weiland expressed his thanks and provided a synopsis to the council for his participation at the annual ICMA conference in Milwaukee, WI.
- SDML Annual Conference will be held this week in Sioux Falls.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Fiegen briefed the council on his attendance at the most recent local mayor's meeting held in Brandon. They discussed Siouxland Libraries, Emergency Management with Lynn DeYoung regarding siren upgrades and Economic Development with Jeff Eckhoff.

Executive Session – Downs moved and Probst seconded to move to executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 for the purpose of consultation with city attorney Hammer. Motion carried unanimously and the council adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The council returned from executive session at 9:45 p.m.

Paul moved that attorney Hammer be allowed to pursue an Assurance Agreement with Dell Rapids Public Schools to allow additional time to install hammerheads at the new elementary school. Motion seconded by Probst. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers Report – A recap of all income and expenses, since the last meeting, were presented to the council for their review.

Claims Approved for Payment by Other Municipal Boards – Library Board Claims: Dustex, rug service 20.68; Ecowater Systems, water cooler rental 7.90; Gale, 5 books 115.48; Hasler, postage

100.00; Ingram Library Services, 6 books 118.08; J.F.J. Disc Repair, polish compound 68.26; Madison Sewing Center, repair 45.00; MicroMarketing, DVD 24.28; MidAmerican Energy, natural gas 14.53; Sam's Club Discover, advertising, 10 books 191.24; Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc., construction documents 1623.04.

Paul moved and Downs seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

LeAnn Kerzman
Finance Officer