

## **THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GWINNER, ND**

**May 6<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 5pm in the EMS Building.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karla Ulven, ElRoy Odegard, Dan McKeever, Linda Johnson and Jerry Zetocha

MEMBERS ABSENT: -

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Even, Dennis Howey, Jeff Leadbetter, Dave Kozok, Don and Rebecca Knutson, Faye Waloch, Terry Euscher and Jessica Peterson

Terry Euscher was present to explain that Wells Fargo had called in the \$2.9 million bond pledged for the city on April 30<sup>th</sup> but there was no one who could sign them because of the outdated signature cards. Linda made a motion for the new signature cards to be signed by Mayor McKeever and Auditor Peterson for Wells Fargo. ElRoy seconded the motion and all ayes.

Don and Rebecca Knutson presented their plans for their house they plan on building at 522 5<sup>th</sup> St NW. Main floor would be 2400 square feet and garage would be 1300 square feet, foundation would be treated wood. The garden shed of 16x20 was discussed but as of right now it will be on hold. Jerry made the motion to accept the house with the attached garage with no garden shed at this time. ElRoy seconded the motion and all ayes. There were three extension building permits that were granted were Andy/Stephanie Stroh, Jeff Anderson and Linda Johnson. (Karla/ Jerry)

Faye Waloch had some questions on the extension for the building permit for the house they moved, she also asked about why her tenants are not responsible for their own city bills. In the ordinance, it states that it is the owner, of the property, is responsible for the city bill.

David Kozok was on hand for the law enforcement report. Things are going well in Gwinner, the construction company has been in contact with Sargent County Sheriff's and that has been very helpful. Dogs were discussed and Dave will look into the dog that was shot in town last night.

U Turn wanted to know if they could get the garbage rate off since they didn't have it picked up this month. Council was fine with the garbage being taken off of the April bill.

Bartl's asked the city if they could do anything with the upkeep of their neighbor's yard. Dan will check into the property and talk to the property owner. Letter will also be sent by Jessica.

Annual permit for El Zagal Viking Patrol, Inc. was approved by Jerry and seconded by Karla and all ayes.

Dan heard back from the insurance company on the claim we submitted from the winter storm and the car will not be covered that was parked on the street.

Last reading on two city ordinances first one was the street parking and the second one was the garbage rate per unit. Jerry made a motion and Linda seconded the motion and all ayes.

Karla made a motion for a two hour parking sign to go up in front of the Clothes Basket Laundromat for their customers and Linda seconded the motion all and ayes.

No Springs report. ½ price for golf memberships for new members.

Cleanup weekend was discussed and how we can get the gates monitored by volunteers (Boy Scouts, Waloch's, Linda, Jerry, Park board members) so the out of town residents are not bring in loads of items.

New shop is complete and we are under \$100,000. Denny did mention that there is a heater for sale and was wondering if he could get that for the shop. Dan told Denny that if he can get the heater for \$900 we would get it otherwise we will need to hold off.

Flood Houses: Blue flood was appraised around the \$232,000 so we will be closing on that house at the beginning of June. Yellow house will be closing in the next couple of months, just waiting to finish up! A check would be written out to the City of Gwinner for the \$252,249.77 for the blue house on closing day.

Land Swap was discussed between Larry Bohenkamp, the city and Clarmont Ulven. Dan will talk to them some more to see what they want to do.

Dennis Howey gave the public works report. He reported that the old water tower is back online and the hydrants will be flushed out this month. Curb work is beginning in the city. Maplewood and First Ave NE needs milling and needs to be brought back into profile all work should be done middle of summer. Overtime bar was also discussed on the water meter. Dennis will send a letter to Overtime and will require action within 30 days for a new meter to be put in the bar area. Otherwise the city will do it and charge it to the owner.

A concern was brought to the Mayor's attention regarding the encroachment of an alley that leads to the main park. It is used by the apartment residents and many others. With a blind curve by the homeowners' garage, this is causing serious risk to children playing in that area because the garage makes it a blind curve. Vehicles are starting to go faster and faster. Dan asked all council members to look at the property within the next couple of weeks to see what could be done.

In the Spring's Addition there was some discussion on the alleyways, storage sheds and fences.

Jessica Peterson gave the auditor's report. Financial Report was given out. Letters will be going out to all the residents that need to clean up their properties.

Karla brought up that Wrage's and Kari Ulven would like to put a row of the trees between the two properties. As long as they stay away from the utilities line, the council was fine with the trees going up and as long as they both have an agreement.

Bills for May: Payroll \$9754.19, ND Dept. of Health \$16, Sargent County Treasurer \$598.94, Sargent County Auditor \$4057.32, Retail Services \$1464.01, RDO Equipment \$103.89, Praxair \$329.45, One Stop \$241.28, Dickey Rural Access Inc \$442.54, ND One Call Inc. \$9.90, Bremer Bank Cardmember \$112.63, Hawkins, Inc \$4608.83, Hanson Sanitation \$4200, Hansen Lumber & Hardware \$1798.12, Full Circle Ag \$1102.77, Forman Drug \$6.99, Ferguson Waterworks \$1797.67, Enderson Construction \$4460, Nichole Noonan \$595, Waste Management \$846.59, Ottertail Power Company \$5169.88, IRS \$3238.44, AW Diesel Services Inc \$109.16, Waswick Snow removal \$382.50, Banyon Data Systems \$595, Verizon Wireless \$94.79, The Teller \$82.76, Team Laboratory \$1503, Teals Market \$40.87, Computer Express \$370.94, Buhls \$45, NDPERS \$3983.77

The meeting was adjourned until June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm in EMS building.

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Dan McKeever, Mayor

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Jessica Peterson, City Auditor