

CITY COUNCIL

Minutes

June 5, 2006

6:30 p.m.

Members Present – Rick Martin, Ken Branch, Gary Shogren, Brad Howe, Becky Anderson, Bill Taylor, Betty Nelson, Lloyd Rohr & John Magnuson

Others Present – Greg DuMars, Jerry Lovett-Sperling, Annette Duncan, Tim Berggren, Richard Kurtz, Nancy Salminen, Beth Walker, Larry Lindgren, Darrel Cooper, Linda Branch, Tim Dunn, Marc Anderson, Ron Stam, Jack & Marliss Detmers, Lou Davis, Sue Schlagel, Bill Gusenius, Dan Carr, Helen Weaver, Jeff Kurtz, Sally Train, Richard Patrick & Jeff Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. The invocation was offered by Pastor Darrel Cooper.

Public Input – Nancy Salminen read a description of what the Chamber of Commerce does and encouraged Council to approve transfer of the transient guest tax money to the chamber. Marc Anderson spoke on behalf of the Chamber Board of Directors and also requested that Council approve the continued funding of the Chamber with the transient guest tax funds.

Agenda Amendments – Betty Nelson asked the Grant Request Policy be added to the agenda. Mayor Magnuson stated that it would be addressed during Administration & Finance.

Minutes – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2006 regular council meeting and the May 15, 2006 special council meeting. Motion seconded by Ken Branch and passed.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Magnuson noted that the final meeting for the Parks Task Force will be June 19th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Mayor Magnuson presented the following names for appointments: Sharon Bruce to Sister City, Annette Johnson to Planning & Zoning and Mark Lott to the Fire Department. Bill Taylor moved to approve the appointments. Motion seconded by Gary Shogren and passed.

Planning & Zoning Ordinance 4438 – Gary Shogren moved to adopt Ordinance 4438, which adds definitions and a Farm Winery Outlet to the uses in C-2 Retail Business District. Motion seconded by Lloyd Rohr and passed with 7 yes votes and Betty Nelson abstaining.

Administration & Finance – GRANT POLICY- Betty Nelson moved to delay, until a later date, the implementation of the Grant Policy that was to be put in force July 1, 2006. The motion was seconded by Becky Anderson. There was discussion that with the

implementation of this policy, the contract with the Chamber would become void. It was explained that the reasoning behind making the policy effective date July 1st was to allow time for the Chamber to negotiate a new contract with the City. Realistically, requests for funding for the year 2007 should be submitted before the July 2006 council meeting to allow those requests to be included in the city budget process.

Bill Taylor moved to amend the motion to make the Grant Policy effective date as September 1, 2006 with the intent to start immediate contract negotiations with the Chamber of Commerce. Motion seconded by Rick Martin. Motion passed on roll call with Lloyd Rohr & Brad Howe voting no and all others voting yes.

The original motion, as amended, passed on voice vote.

TOURISM COMMITTEE REQUEST – The Tourism committee met and recommended that Council approve expending the money received from Transient Guest Tax revenues since January 1, 2006 to the Chamber of Commerce. Gary Shogren moved to approve the expenditure as recommended by the Tourism Committee. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed by roll call vote of Ken Branch voting no and all others yes.

SUNDSTROM BUILDING STUDY SESSION – It was agreed that council members would meet for a study session at 6:30 on Wednesday, June 14, 2006.

Utilities – RURAL REQUEST FOR WATER SERVICE – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve the request of Richard Patrick to receive city water. Motion seconded by Bill Taylor and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

RIGHT OF WAY ORDINANCE 4439 – Lloyd Rohr moved to adopt Ordinance 4439 which will regulate how the local right-of-way can be used and help the city retain control and management of the local public right-of-way. Motion seconded by Gary Shogren and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

HANDHELD READER UPGRADE – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve \$3,250.00 for Salina Supply to upgrade our second hand held reader to a radio reader. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

STORAGE YARD FENCE – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve \$4,600 to put up a 6 foot chain link fence along the trail by the storage yard on South First Street. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson. There was much discussion and the motion failed with Gary Shogren & Lloyd Rohr voting yes and all others voting no. Rick Martin stated that he thought the inventory should be moved.

NORMAL STREET LIFT STATION – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve the bid of \$29,573.00 from Smith & Loveless for the equipment for the lift station. Motion seconded by Bill Taylor and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Lloyd Rohr moved to approve the bid of \$3,500.00 from Hickman Environmental Services for the installation

of the equipment. Motion seconded by Gary Shogren and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

OTHER – Betty Nelson moved to hold a special council meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at 6:30 to address the issue of the storage yard followed by the work session on the Sundstrom building. Motion seconded by Gary Shogren and passed.

Streets & Parks – No items.

Public Safety – SALE OF 1980 FIRE TRUCK – Bill Taylor moved to approve the sale of the 1980 fire truck to the Rural Fire District #8 at a cost of \$16,000. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

EMS POINT SYSTEM/SERVICE HONORARIUM – Bill Taylor moved to approve the EMS Point system & Service honorarium Program. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed. This program will honor previous service.

FIREWORKS PERMIT – Bill Taylor moved to approve the Fireworks Permit application from the Chamber of Commerce. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed.

FIRE TRAINING TOWER – Bill Taylor moved to remove the fire training tower. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed.

OTHER – Council asked about a plan for the avian flu pandemic. Staff will be looking at workshops and include information in the Friday Report.

Purchase Order – Betty Nelson moved to approve payment of Purchase Order Ordinance 4440. Motion seconded by Bill Taylor and passed by roll call vote with Bill Taylor abstaining.

Payroll – Lloyd Rohr moved to approve payment of Payroll Ordinances 4436 & 4437. Motion seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Adjournment – Ken Branch moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lovett-Sperling

City Clerk