COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF WINNEBAGO, MINNESOTA

MINUTES OF THE WINNEBAGO CITY COUNCIL

City of Winnebago

October 13, 2015

A regular meeting of the Winnebago City Council was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center Council Chambers.

Mayor Schutt called the meeting to order and conducted roll call. Council members present: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Staff Present: City Administrator Ziegler, Deputy City Clerk Sturtz. City Engineer Travis Winter. Absent: Interim City Attorney David Frundt.

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Anderson to approve the proposed meeting agenda of October 13, 2015. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Robertson to approve the regular council meeting minutes of September 8, 2015 as written. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Johnson, seconded by R. Johnson to approve the special council meeting minutes of September 17, 2015 as written. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Consent Items

Payments

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Anderson to approve all payments as listed on pages 7-19 of the council packet with addition. Discussion was held. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Informational Items

Motion by Robertson, seconded by R. Johnson to approve all informational items as listed on pages 20-32 of the council packet. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R, Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Committee and Commission Reports

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Anderson to approve all committee and commission reports as listed on pages 33-36 of the council packet. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mayor Schutt opened the meeting to the public. Hearing no public comment, Mayor Schutt closed the meeting to the public.

General Business

Rick Ashe, CEO-United Hospital District Update

Dr. Roger Hanson was present and introduced Rick Ashe, the new CEO, to the Council. Rick updated the Council on what was happening at United Hospital District and pointed out a few changes to look for. Discussion was held regarding the Adolescent Treatment Center.

Darrel Robertson-past due utility request

Darrel Robertson was present to discuss the property at 432 1st Ave SE. Darrel would like to purchase the property and would like to see the Council waive some or all of the outstanding utility bills and mowing charges. Discussion was held regarding different options. Motion by Robertson, seconded by Anderson to table this matter for now. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

One Year Review-Emily Bonin

Motion by Robertson, seconded by R. Johnson to approve Officer Emily Bonin's one year review. R. Johnson stated that Emily is doing a great job. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Appoint Negotiating Contract-Police Labor contract

Motion by R. Johnson, seconded by D. Johnson to designate Jean Anderson to the negotiation committee for the police union and Scott Robertson as the alternate. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Hiring Fire Fighters

Motion by D. Johnson, seconded by Anderson to hire Eric Olson, Tyler Nepp, Cody Theobald, Adam St. Germain, Zachary Bartlett and Jocelyn Garlick as firefighters contingent on passing a doctor's physical, a background check and firemen training. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Replacement Copier for City Hall

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Anderson to approve purchasing the Ricoh Copier from Metro Sales in the amount of $7,837.00. Discussion was held. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Library Holiday Closures

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Robertson to approve the Library to be closed on 11/28/2015 the Saturday of Thanksgiving, 12/26/2015 the Saturday of Christmas, and 1/2/2016 the Saturday of New Years. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Fire Department Retirement-Randy Nowak

Motion by Anderson, seconded by R. Johnson to approve Randy Nowak's retirement from the Winnebago Fire Department. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

R. Johnson asked Ziegler for an update on the skating rink. Ziegler stated that the Park and Rec Committee are looking at two different sites at Whiting Park for a temporary skating rink this year. Ziegler stated that if there is enough interest this year, we will look at something more permanent for next year.

Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Reports

Ziegler stated that Southern Plains will be doing the scarecrows this year. He stated that there is information in the Council packet for a Surface Water Forum in Wells and if anyone on the Council wants to attend to let him know. He thanked Randy for his years on the Fire Department. He noted that the new server is installed and that some of the computers are not compatible with it so a few new computers may need to be purchased.

R. Johnson thanked Rick Ashe for updating the Council. He thanked Emily for doing a good job.

Robertson stated that he only hears good comments about our Police Department and that they are very fair to everyone. He congratulated Eric on leading a good department.

Anderson thanked Randy for his years of service on the Fire Department. She thanked Emily for doing a good job.

D. Johnson asked Eric for more police reports once the speed sign is up and running again. He thanked Randy for his time on the Fire Department. He thanked Dr. Hanson for coming and introducing Rick. He thanked the Council and the staff.

Mayor Schutt asked about the status regarding the sale of the old squad car.

Motion by Robertson, seconded by R. Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Schutt called for a vote. The following voted in favor: R. Johnson, Robertson, Anderson, D. Johnson. Motion carried.

Presented to Council November 10, 2015

Jeremiah Schutt-Mayor

ATTEST:

Chris Ziegler-City Administrator