

MINUTES OF THE WINNEBAGO CITY COUNCIL

City of Winnebago

January 11th 2011

A regular meeting of the Winnebago City Council was held on Tuesday January 11th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center Council Chambers.

City Administrator swore in Mayor Elect Randy Nowak, and Council Members Elect Scott Robertson and Stacy Huntington-Scofield.

Mayor Nowak called the meeting to order and conducted roll call. Council members present: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Staff Present: City Administrator Bless, Deputy City Clerk Boeck. City Attorney: Douglas Johanson.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve the proposed meeting agenda of January 11th, 2011 with the addition of Property sale. Voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson to approve Council meeting minutes of December 14th, 2010. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield.

Consent Items

Motion by Huntington-Scofield, seconded by Johnson to approve all bills as listed on pages 9-14 of the council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield.

Informational Items

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Huntington-Scofield to approve all informational items as listed on pages 15-23 of the Council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield.

Commission & Committee Reports

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve all commission and committee reports as listed on pages 24-26 in the council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson, to approve resignations from Dave Hoffman, and Lisha Gobats as present in the Ambulance Department Report. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Open Meeting to Public

Mayor Nowak opened the meeting to the public for the first time. Roque Gonsalez pointed out the ambulance director's report noted two resignations from the ambulance department. Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson to approve resignations from Dave Hoffman, and Lisha Gobats as present in the Ambulance Department Report. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Hearing no other public comment Mayor Nowak closed the meeting to public comment.

General Business

Authorizations

Appointments & Designations

Motion by Huntington-Scofield, seconded by Johnson to continue to use Faribault County Register as the Official Paper of the City of Winnebago. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Johnson to approve all of the appointments as listed in the packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Resolutions

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Johnson to accept resolution 482-2011: A Resolution Authorizing the City of Winnebago to Submit a Phosphorus Reduction Grant Application to the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA) and to Authorize City Officials to Execute a Grant Agreement on Behalf of the City of Winnebago for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve resolution 481-2011: A Resolution Authorizing the City of Winnebago to Apply for a loan from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Treatment Center Road

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Ziegler to pay UHD \$68,700 for construction costs relating to

the agreement signed in October of 2009. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Fire Relief Association Benefits

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Johnson to approve an increase to the Fire Relief Association retirement benefit from \$725 per year to \$800. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Abstaining: Ziegler. Motion carried.

Garbage Contract

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve a new 3 year contract with B&B sanitation allowing him to haul waste to a “legal and lawful location”. (Contract is listed on page 35-37 of the council packet). Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Resolution 483-2011

Motion by Huntington-Scofield, seconded by Robertson to approve Resolution 483-2011: Accepting Donation to the City of Winnebago. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Downtown Tavern Liquor License

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Johnson to approve liquor license for Double M LLC D.B.A. Down Town Tavern contingent upon approval from the MN Department of Public Safety. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Sale of City Property

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve the sale of the “Scott Lot” 48 4th Ave SE to Lawrence Sickler in the amount of \$100. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Other Business

Robertson stated he liked having an on duty Police Officer attend Council meetings if available for safety concerns.

Administrator Report

Bless welcomed the new Council members.

Council Reports

Nowak thanked Roque for his service Ambulance Captain and welcomed Scott and Stacy to the Council. Johnson congratulated Scott and Stacy and requested an updated phone list. Ziegler wanted to thank Roque for his service and welcome Scott and Stacy as well. Robertson stated he

is looking forward to working with everyone. Huntington-Scofield stated she is looking forward to serving Winnebago.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting in the closed session. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

(Closed Session) Those present in the closed session included Mayor Nowak, Councilmember's Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield, City Administrator Bleess, and City Attorney Johanson.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Robertson to return to open session. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

No action was taken during closed session.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Huntington-Scofield to accept the Labor Agreement between the City of Winnebago and IBEW Local 949 Essential Non-Supervisory Police Department Unit. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Ziegler to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Nowak called for a vote with the following voting in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Huntington-Scofield. Motion carried.

Presented to Council February 8th, 2011.

ATTEST:

Randy Nowak
Mayor

Austin Bleess
City Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer