



# COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF WINNEBAGO, MINNESOTA

## MINUTES OF THE WINNEBAGO CITY COUNCIL

City of Winnebago

January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012

A regular meeting of the Winnebago City Council was held on Tuesday January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center Council Chambers.

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

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Johnson to approve the proposed meeting agenda of January 10<sup>th</sup> as presented. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson to approve council meeting minutes of December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as written. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Consent Items

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Ziegler to approve all consent items as listed on pages 9-19 of the council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Informational Items

Motion by Scofield, seconded by Robertson to approve all informational items as listed on pages 20-29 of the Council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Commission & Committee Reports

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Johnson to approve all commission and committee reports as listed on pages 30-32 in the council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Public Comment

Mayor Nowak opened the meeting to the public. Hearing no comments, Mayor Nowak closed the meeting to the public.

### Appointments and Designations

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson to approve all city designations and committee appointments as listed on page 34 of the council packet. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Pay Equity Report

Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Johnson to approval of the Pay Equity Report, listed on pages 36-39 of the council packet, as required by the State of Minnesota. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following members voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Purchase of Itron

Motion by Scofield, seconded by Ziegler to approve the purchase of a new FC300 handheld Itron at a total cost of \$6375.00 to be paid for out of Capital Outlay. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### MN Rural Water Conference

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Johnson to allow Darold Nienhaus and Brennan Johnson to attend the MN Rural Water Conference March 6<sup>th</sup>-March 8<sup>th</sup>. The annual conference will earn each of them 16 Continuing Education Credits towards their Class C Water Certification. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### MN Clerks & Finance Officers Conference

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Scofield to allow Megan Boeck and Austin Bless to attend the Annual MN Clerks & Finance Officers Conference March 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. The total estimated cost is \$970.00. Discussion held. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Selling Land at Water Treatment Plant

Motion by Scofield, seconded by Robertson to sell Tom Owen 15 feet of land behind his current building for \$500, with the buyer to pay all legal, recording, survey and other fee's. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

### Municipal Liquor Store

Council members discussed the possibility of opening a Municipal Liquor Store (off sale only). Bless stated he estimates the city would net about \$20,000-\$30,000 the first few years. Bless also informed council that if they wish to pursue this further the city would have to post a notice to comply with the one year waiting period, and also state if the municipality will be engaging in the sale of intoxicating liquor to the exclusion of all private interests. Scofield stated she would like more information on the condition of the current Shooter's building. Scofield also stated it

might be worthwhile to look into the costs of building a new building on an empty lot on Main Street. Ziegler stated he would like to hear more input from the public before making a decision. Motion by Ziegler, seconded by Robertson to table discussion until the February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting. Mayor Nowak called for a vote. The following voted in favor: Johnson, Ziegler, Robertson, Scofield. Motion carried.

#### Reports

Bless stated there will be a public meeting held at 6:00 p.m. on January 17<sup>th</sup>, regarding the level 3 sex offender moving into Winnebago

Mayor Nowak congratulated Scott for the reopening of the "W".

Johnson congratulated Jesse on his role as Chief for the Fire Department and Austin for passing him EMT test.

Robertson thanked the people for their help on the committees.

Scofield had nothing to report.

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

Presented to Council February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.



Randy Nowak  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Austin Bless