

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger
December 12, 2011**

Council Members present:

The Honorable Mayor Cheryl Wang
Steve Massmann, Lori Lucken, Aaron Neubert, Byron Kaupang

Council Members absent:

none

Guests present:

Scott Revier

Maintenance Personnel present:

Ron Locken

City Clerk/Treasurer present:

Jennifer Frohrip

The regular meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Wang at 7:04 p.m.

Minutes of the November 14th, 2011 meeting:

Lori motioned to approve the minutes of the November 14th, 2011 meeting, Bryon seconds, motion passes.

Steve Massmann joined the meeting.

Maintenance Report:

hydrant markers have been made and installed
quarterly report will go out later this month
will be reading meters
Heritage House is now vacant because of an internal water break.
discussion of maintenance on road by David Nordskog

Financial Report:

On 12/05/2011 the City received \$26,687.77 from Polk County for the December 2011 settlement.

Claims:

Byron motioned to approve claims, Steve seconds, motion passes.

Fire Dept. Report:

2 grass fires
Luke Balstad will be joining the Fire Dept
another person is interested in joining
the white chevy pick-up (rescue vehicle) needs air bags installed, cost probably a little over \$500
Byron motioned to put air bags on the rescue vehicle, Lori seconds, motion passes.
yellow pumper needs to be put inside so anything that can be used can be taken off and then hopefully the pumper will be sold by the end of the year
next Monday is the regular fire dept. meeting

Winger Renewal Authority Report:

met on November 28th
discussed HUD projects
Lee Meier (NW MN HRA) will be at the January City Council meeting
discussion of the old school site
discussion of Heritage House
Hwy 59 corridor project has been put off until next spring
there will be no December meeting due to the Christmas holiday

Old Business:

On December 7th, Kevin Olson purchased the storage shed (Block 5, lots 1 & 2) for \$2500.00. The two old fire pumps that the City has stored there can stay until spring. Jennifer has notified Lindfors Insurance that the City no longer owns that property. Steve motioned to take the insurance off of the contents in the storage building that has been sold and increase the content insurance on the existing storage building (Lot 1 except west 10' thereof Block3) from \$5289.00 to \$7000.00, Aaron seconds, motion passes.

Old School Site Lots tabled until the January meeting.

Lori motioned to approve Resolution Accepting Donations Received dated December 12, 2011, Byron seconds, motion passes.

Lori motioned to change the sewer rate charges from 51% of the water charges to 65% of the water charges starting January 1, 2012, Steve seconds, motion passes.

Aaron motioned to transfer \$30,000.00 from the sewer fund to the water fund, Lori seconds, motion passes.

Lori motioned to apply for the USDA loans totaling \$31,100.00 at a term of 40 years, Steve seconds, motion passes.

New Business:

Steve motioned to approve the 2012 liquor licenses for all three establishments, Lori seconds, motion passes.

45 days ordinance tabled until January meeting

Lori motioned to submit the 2012 Final Tax Levy to Polk County at an increase of 15% over the 2011 Tax Levy, Aaron seconds, motion passes.

Discussion to start each City Council meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jennifer will add this to the agenda.

Adjourn:

Mayor Wang adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Approved

Attest

Mayor

City Clerk

