

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger  
February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Council Members present:**

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

**Council Members absent:**

Lori Lucken

**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 p.m.

**Minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting:**

Steve motioned to approve the minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting. Aaron seconds, motion passes.

**Maintenance Report:**

Bobcat may be back – tracks and bones have been seen; will try calling DNR or Greg

New hydrant markers

ND Sewage Pump Company had annual inspection

Letter was sent to MN Pollution Control Agency – Frank was here from MN Rural Water to help in this reply

MN DOT was in Winger to haul snow along Hwy 59

Roof at the Community Center has been leaking – Wayne Zachariason was here to remove ice and snow from the roof

Jennifer is to contact Andy Gagg about possible grant monies for maintenance on city buildings

Byron motioned to change the cut off date for Ron Locken's vacation carry over from March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>. Aaron seconds and motion passes.

Jennifer will make the change in the job description.

**Financial Report:**

The City Auditor, Gordon Dale, will probably be at the March City Council meeting. One of the items to be discussed then is whether any of the past city loans were written off or certified to taxes.

Jennifer will be compiling a list of questions to go over with Gordon while he is here.

End of the year reports that have been sent out include: State Auditor's Summary Budget Report, Pay Equity Report, 2010 Sales and Use Tax Report, Polk County Tobacco Report, Polk County Alcohol Report and Report of Outstanding Indebtedness.

Neither Moran's Supper Club or End of the Line Saloon have picked up and paid for the 2011 liquor licenses.

**Fire Dept. Report:**

1 medical call

Scott Revier has been elected Fire Chief. Aaron motioned to accept Scott Revier as Winger Fire Chief, Byron seconds, Steve abstained, motion passes with Mayor Wang voting.

**Winger Renewal Authority Report:**

Annual meeting as held 01/24/2011.

Mark Finstad was re-elected President and Tony Espeseth was re-elected Vice President. The City will need to find a replacement for Sue Flermoen.

Discussion of Hwy 59 businesses.

**Old Business:**

Jennifer is contacting companies for estimates on asbestos removal at the old school site.

Jennifer will e-mail Andy Gagg to see if there is any grant money for asbestos removal.

The ditch behind the old school site will be discussed at the March City Council meeting.

Jennifer will contact Dave Bauer to see if he is still licensed should the City need him to be a back up for Ron Locken.

**New Business:**

Northwest Minnesota Foundation letter will be forwarded to Devra Carlson.

Discussion and signing of "Disclosure of Financial Interests by a Public Official" forms by the mayor and council members present.

WRA Board Member appointment tabled until March.

Discussion of camper in violation of code 106-A. Jennifer will send out notice to remove. City will remove if owner does not.

Discussion of Tobacco Ordinance that is in place.

Discussion of Public Employees Retirement Association. Jennifer is waiting for more information to come from Scott at PERA.

Aaron motions to pass Resolution Certifying Past-Due Billing to the Polk County Auditor for Collection with the 2012 Property Taxes. Steve seconds, motion passes.

Water/Sewer billing ordinance and procedure tabled until the March meeting.

Lions will research cost of a new kitchen stove for the Community Center with the idea that the Lions will purchase the stove.

Steve motions that the mayor sign the Authorization Application for Airborne Custom Spraying for 2011. Byron seconds, motion passes.

Ordinance Securing Vacant Buildings tabled until the March meeting.

**Claims:**

Steve motions to approve the claims list. Aaron seconds, Steve abstains, motion passes with Mayor Wang voting.

**Adjourn:**

Mayor Wang adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

**Approved**

**Attest**

**Mayor**

**City Clerk**