

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger  
October 1, 2012**

**Council Members present:**

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

**Council Members absent:**

Aaron Neubert

**Guests present:**

Kelvin Dalby

**Maintenance Personnel present:**

absent

**City Clerk/Treasurer present:**

Jennifer Frohrip

The regular meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Wang at 7:03 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Minutes of the September 10th, 2012 meeting:**

Lori motioned to approve the minutes of the September 10th, 2012 meeting, Byron seconds, motion passes.

**Maintenance Report:**

written report was presented  
read 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter water meters  
flushing water mains  
this week will pump hydrants  
will discuss the grease trap situation with the new owner of the Depot Cafe

**Financial Report:**

On 02/11/2010 the aging report for water/sewer bills showed unpaid invoices totaled \$10,632.23. Since then the City Council has declared some of the invoices are uncollectible, some accounts have been certified to property taxes and starting 01/01/2011 the City of Winger no longer billed renters. On 09/30/2012 unpaid invoices totaled \$1,730.98. Of that amount \$167.74 was a 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter current invoice that a renter had asked for, \$214.62 the council declared uncollectible, \$92.57 was certified to property taxes, \$351.43 had been paid to the city clerk on 10/01/2012 and \$468.59 was scheduled for payment with a payment agreement in place. This left a balance of \$436.03 that the city clerk is working on. In the future the city clerk should present the City Council with an aging report at least once a year so Council can be kept informed of the total amount of past due water/sewer invoices.

**Claims:**

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

**Fire Dept. Report:**

no report was given  
The Winger Fire Dept. has gotten the truck that was previously discussed.

**Winger Renewal Authority Report:**

There has been no meeting since the last City Council meeting.  
Discussed Lee Meier's letter of 09/20/2012.

**Old Business:**

Jennifer will ask Ron to post the "For Sale" sign that Mrs. Neubert has ready. This will go on the east side of Hwy 59 across from Minnesota Ave.

Per Andy Gag at USDA, the Winger Loan Applications should be looked at by their attorney within the next couple of weeks. When USDA gives the go ahead, Jennifer will let the Council know and depending on the date a Special City Council meeting may be called to discuss advertising for bids yet this fall.

**New Business:**

Lori motioned to revoke all liquor licenses held by End of the Line Saloon due to the holder failing to comply with Ordinance No. 107-A which states in part "Operation of a business which is required to be licensed by this ordinance without having on file with the city at all times effective proof of financial responsibility is a cause for revocation of the license", effective October 5, 2012, Steve seconds, Byron abstains, motion passes.

Discussion of whether or not the City is interested in selling Parcel 94.00042.00. Alex Coutte, who had expressed an interest in purchasing the property was not in attendance. General consensus is to keep the property.

Lori motioned to declare the October 2012 Partial Aging Report as uncollectible accounts, Steve seconds, motion passes.

Byron motioned to approve the Resolution Certifying Past-Due Billing to the Polk County Auditor for Collection with the 2013 Property Taxes dated October 1, 2012, Lori seconds, motion passes.

Discussion of the 15 properties in the City of Winger that are billed at a flat rate.

Discussion of the 2013 budget for the Water and Sewer Funds. Jennifer will add 2% to the sewer charge rate and redo the 2013 preliminary budget figures for review at the November Council meeting.

**Adjourn:**

Mayor Wang adjourned the meeting at 8 p.m.

**Approved**

**Attest**

**Mayor**

**City Clerk**