

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger  
April 8, 2013**

**Council Members present:**

The Honorable Mayor Cheryl Wang  
Lori Lucken, Nick Geray, Bonnie Olson, Byron Kaupang

**Council Members absent:**

none

**Guests present:**

Mary Kramer of Bacon's Dray  
Ashley Hand of the McIntosh Times  
John Wynne of Northwest Community Action Agency  
Scott Revier, Fire Chief

**Maintenance Personnel present:**

Ron Locken

**City Clerk/Treasurer present:**

Jennifer Frohrip

The regular meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Wang at 7:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mary Kramer spoke to Council about Spring Clean Up Day. There have been changes at the landfill and costs have gone up tremendously. Even though it has always been advertised that no household garbage will be collected a lot of people have still been putting it out and Bacon's does pick it up. It is hard to determine what the cost to the City would be this year. The decision was made to have Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 a.m.. Fliers will state "Absolutely No Household Garbage! Household Garbage will not be picked up." As in past years, hazardous materials, such as tires, batteries, televisions, computer monitors and appliances can not be picked up. Jennifer will let Winger Lion's Club and Ultima Bank know the date.

John Wynne spoke to Council about applying for grant monies from Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED). The City is looking at commercial and residential rehab loan/grant money. There was also discussion of acquisition and demolition of blighted properties. Dates have not been set for this year but pre-applications will probably be due on November 15<sup>th</sup> and if approved full applications will be due February 28<sup>th</sup> of next year. The first step would be a survey to determine interest and this would be done by John, probably in July. Cost is \$1500 for pre-application and \$2000 for full application. If pre-application is not approved this can be revisited again next year without an additional pre-application cost to the City. Lori motioned to approve John Wynne to apply for DEED monies for the City of Winger, Byron seconds, motion passes.

**Minutes of the March 11th, 2013 meeting:**

Bonnie motioned to approve the minutes of the March 11th, 2013 meeting, Nick seconds, motion passes.

**Maintenance Report:**

attended League of Minnesota Cities school in Mahnomon on March 26th  
read meters

flushing schedules will be going out  
have been cleaning in the storage room  
new stove is in the Community Center kitchen  
have been clearing snow by hydrants  
clearing ice in storm drains  
water sample was taken to Detroit Lakes  
talked to contractors who were putting together bids for the Fire Hall and Community Center work  
Gopher State meeting

### **Financial Report:**

In Claims there is an invoice from Canadian Pacific Railway for land rental for the City pipe crossing for \$250 for the period from 04/01/2013 to 03/31/2018. So whoever is on Council in 2017 and working on the 2018 budget should remember to put in \$250.

Received \$5,345.78 from MN Management & Budget for Fire Dept. State Aid. The amount used in the 2013 budget was \$5,000. Byron motioned to change General Fund #34830 Fire Dept. State Aid from \$5,000 to \$5,345.78 and change General Fund #42290 Fire State Aid Object Code #334 FD – Other Expense from \$5,000 to \$5,345.78, Lori seconds, motion passes.

ReDiditz is not interested in the 2 oldest electronic typewriters. Lori motioned to take the 2 oldest typewriters, old black metal chairs and any scrap metal from the sheds to Luckens to be sold, Nick seconds, motion passes.

At the end of March the money owed the City in delinquent water/sewer invoices was \$1,242.88.

Northwest Regional Development Commission is in need of a Polk County Municipal Representative.

Jennifer has applications should the Mayor or any of the Council Members be interested.

Lori motioned to approve the 04/08/2013 bills, Postmaster for \$2.29, Richards Publishing for \$99.80, RMB Laboratories for \$43.00, and Fortman's Grading for \$412.50 which are not on the claims list, Nick seconds, motion passes.

### **Claims:**

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

### **Fire Dept. Report:**

Byron motioned to approve Scott Revier as Fire Chief, Steve Massmann as Asst. Fire Chief and Mike Thompson as Secretary for the Winger Fire Dept., Nick seconds, motion passes.

The 91 Chev. truck purchased from the DNR has had the tank mounted, been painted and is ready to go. Bill for having the tank mounted is still coming. The truck cost \$2000 and was paid for by the Winger Fire Fighter Relief Assoc. Lori motioned for the Winger Fire Dept. to sell the 79 Ford, 4 self contained breathing apparatuses (SCBA) and approximately 10 tanks on bids, Nick seconds, motion passes.

Scott will check with the Relief Assoc. on an additional \$500 to be sent to the City towards the bills on the 91 Chev.

Byron motioned to approve the bills on the 91 Chev., Bob Vesledahl for \$1475.00, Wang Truck Equipment for \$2050.00 Custom Stripes for \$132.53 and Steve's Auto Parts for \$202.50, Nick seconds, motion passes.

### **Winger Renewal Authority Report:**

WRA met on March 25<sup>th</sup>. the next meeting will be May 20<sup>th</sup> instead of May 27<sup>th</sup>. Jennifer should post a meeting date change.

Discussed Strategic Investment Plan.

Discussed and clarified the City negotiations with HRA on a spec home.

John Wynne should be contacted about grant application possibilities.

Discussed the bench made from bricks from the old school.

Quinn Olson will be starting a Farmer's Market on Wednesdays on his property starting 06/05/2013 from 2 – 6 pm.

Discussed Clean Up Day.

**Old Business:**

Ad has been placed in the Canary Section of the McIntosh Times, selling block 12 (old school site).

Ron received a quote of \$125 for the Mossberg shotgun from Lake Sport Shop. Jennifer received a quote of \$125 for the Mossberg shotgun from Glenn's Guns. Lori motioned to sell the Mossberg shotgun left over from the Winger Police Dept. to Glenn Netland for \$125.00, Nick seconds, motion passes.

Donation of Hose Reels to Historical Society tabled until the May Council meeting.

Two bids were received on the Fire Hall and Community Center work.

Dean Wallace Construction bid \$29,470.00 on the Community Center and \$7,900.00 on the Fire Hall. Kevin Kangas Construction bid \$28,630.00 on the Community Center and \$11,085.00 on the Fire Hall. Council made the decision to once again advertize for bids, this time for 3 weeks in 5 papers. Bids will be due Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. The "work must be completed by" date will be changed to September 30, 2013.

**New Business:**

There was no interested in the Polk County Fair parade. The Fire Dept. will receive their own information on the parade.

Nick motions to approve Resolution 2013-2 Resolution of Statement of Interest in All-Hazard Mitigation Planning, Bonnie seconds, motion passes.

Discussion on Winger Memorial Park, corner flower bed and 2 flower pots. Jennifer will call McIntosh Country Store and place the same order as last year for the red, white and blue plants. Nick volunteered to use a weed whacker on the old dead plants. Byron volunteered to till the soil. Will discuss needing a worker at the May meeting. This year will use up the previously donated funds for the Park.

One dog complaint letter was sent out.

Thanks expressed to Byron for going to Fosston and getting the new stove for the Community Center kitchen.

**Adjourn:**

Mayor Wang adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

**Approved**

**Attest**

**Mayor**

**City Clerk**