

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger  
April 13, 2015**

**Council Members present:**

The Honorable Mayor Darrell Olson  
Dan Kindall, Steve Massmann, Lori Lucken

**Council Members absent:**

Nick Geray

**Guests present:**

Scott Revier  
Jessica and Ben Horgeshimer  
Jay Anderson  
Shanel Benson  
Jessica Hillstad

**Maintenance Personnel present:**

Ron Locken

**City Clerk/Treasurer present:**

Jennifer Frohrip

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Block 12

Jessica and Ben Horgeshimer informed the Council that the sidewalk on the west side of the Liquor Pigs will be worked on to make the building handicap accessible, this is the property owner's responsibility. She also asked to use block 12 (old school site) as a parking lot during their street dance on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Jessica was told that would not be a problem.

Steve motioned to approve that pull tabs will be available from the Mentor Fire Dept. at the Liquor Pigs, Dan seconds, motion passes.

Lori motioned to approve that East Dakota Ave. from the alley to Main St. (south side of the Liquor Pigs) be shut down on June 26<sup>th</sup> for the street dance, Steve seconds, motion passes.

Jessica Hillstad spoke to Council on the possibility of her buying a lot on Block 12 from the City. This would be for her 1990 trailer house that is 16' x 80' with an addition. The City has water/sewer on the north and south ends that the property owner would have to hook up to. Jessica is going to talk to the bank about financing and send pictures of the trailer to the city clerk. Further discussion will be held at the May Council meeting.

**Minutes of the March 9, 2015 meeting:**

Lori motioned to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2015 meeting, Steve seconds, motion passes.

**Maintenance Report:**

On March 10<sup>th</sup> had the conference call with the MN Dept of Health. Todd Johnson has stopped and taken a sample from well #1. They have asked for timed samples. The old well might be the better of the two. On March 25<sup>th</sup> attended school in Mahanomen.

On March 9<sup>th</sup> attended the Gopher State One Call meeting.  
Sample from ponds to RMB in Detroit Lakes.  
Have started trimming the trees.

**Financial Report:**

On March 31, 2015 (end of first quarter) the amount owed the City for past due water/sewer invoices was \$2,826.00.

On September 9, 2014 4,000 gal. of propane were pre-paid from Fertile Oil Co. Of that 2,003.8 gal. have been used leaving a balance of 1,996.2 gal. left.

On September 23, 2013 the City paid \$300.00 to the State for an up-grade on the CTAS accounting system. The new version is now ready. So far 44 accounts in the old system have had to be changed to new accounts numbers so that they can be migrated into the new system.

Have talked to Ron and Peggy at Ultima Bank about the City now having more than \$250,000 in the bank and the insurance stops at \$250,000. Am going to send their options to Gordon Dale to make sure any changes would be okay with the State. Will discuss this with Council at the May meeting.

**Claims:**

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

**Fire Dept. Report:**

Lori motioned to approve the Winger Firefighters Relief Assoc. applying for a permit for a raffle, Dan seconds, Steve abstained, motion passes.

There have been two structure fires.

Discussion of grants.

Discussion of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Winger Fire Dept.

Discussion of lights.

**Winger Renewal Authority Report:**

Hoping the bench for the corner of the lot at the Community Center will be done by June 27<sup>th</sup>, Winger Appreciation Day.

Spring Clean Up Day has not been set yet.

**Old Business:**

Jennifer was instructed to inform Wayne Swanson that the City will not need a warrant for parcel 94.00082.00 (5 N. Main St.). Per Polk County this property will be forfeited to the State due to unpaid back taxes and Polk County will take responsibility.

April Swenby has been working on the new web site and it is just about done. Hopefully even more pictures can be added this fall.

Jennifer will present a credit card policy to Council at the May meeting.

Winger Memorial Park still has Winger Township as the property owner. Wayne Swanson is working on this. DeeDee says they can till the ground if the City needs them to and she recommends annual plants for their color and longer flower season. Discussion of a summer worker. Jennifer will place an ad in the paper and put up some fliers. Will discuss again in May.

Dan motioned to approve that the 2007 Residential Rehab Loan on Parcel 94.00085.00 be renegotiated for the full amount (current amount due plus past due amount), Lori seconds, motion passes. This will be done by Ken Buchanan. Ken's fee can be paid out of the Rehab Payments Savings Account.

Jennifer had been instructed to remove Sue Flermoen and Julie Espeseth's names off of the City Centennial account. However, their names are not on the City account. Apparently there is another Centennial account at the bank, but it is not City money.

Lori left meeting.

**New Business:**

Dan motioned to approve the Cornerstone Veterinary Service having a Pet Clinic at the Community Center on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 7 p.m., Lori seconds, motion passes. Jennifer will put up some fliers and it will be listed in the Spring Newsletter.

Spring Newsletter was discussed.

A partial payment had been made that afternoon on the account the City Clerk had on the agenda.

Discussion of a property owner possibly adding onto his house. He will come to Council with a site plan if he makes this decision.

Dan motioned to approve the purchase of Carbonite for the clerk's office computer, Steve seconds, motion passes. Carbonite is an on-line, off-site, data back-up system.

Steve motioned to approve Usagain putting a bin on the City property next to the recycling bins, Dan seconds, motion passes.

Discussion of ways to control the speeding on Hwy 59 through town. Will have to work with MNDOT. Dan is going to collect more information.

**Adjourn:**

Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting at 9 p.m.

**Approved**

**Attest**

**Mayor**

**City Clerk**