

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger  
August 10, 2015**

**Council Members present:**

The Honorable Mayor Darrell Olson  
Steve Massmann, Nick Geray, Dan Kindall, Lori Locken

**Council Members absent:**

none

**Guests present:**

Jessica Horgeshimer, Scott Riever

**Maintenance Personnel present:**

Ron Locken

**City Clerk/Treasurer present:**

Jennifer Frohrip

The regular meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Olson at 7:12 p.m.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Additions to the Agenda:**

None

Jessica Horgeshimer, owner of Liquor Pigs, asked Council for Dakota Ave to be shut down from Main Street east to the alley on Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup> for a street dance. There was some discussion of the clean up of trash in the immediate area after a dance. Dan motioned to approve the Liquor Pigs for a street dance on August 21<sup>st</sup>, Steve seconds, motion passes.

**Minutes of the July 13, 2015 meeting:**

Lori motioned to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2015 meeting, Nick seconds, motion passes.

**Maintenance Report:**

Working on the gates that are leaking at the ponds  
Mowed  
Taking care of the weeds at the ball diamond and other city property  
Trees have been trimmed  
2 new certificates have come in from

Discussion of where the bleachers have disappeared to. Have been missing for about 2 weeks. Jennifer will call Jessie Hickman to see if he knows anything about it.

**Financial Report:**

Looking at the city finances through the end of June, Street Light Revenue was \$10.13 short of the Street Light Expense.

The Water Fund had \$2,077.84 more in revenue than expenses but this figure is misleading. Because Fertile Oil was prepaid last fall, there was no money paid out of the Gas – Heating Oil account. Also the \$1,417.50 cost to pull the well will be in the July figures and the \$544.35 to pay Al's Electric for the automatic switch will be in the August figures.

The Sewer Fund had \$2,453.38 more in revenue than expenses. \$1,143.77 of the revenue was in penalty fees.

Information on how much of the pre-paid propane was left over at the end of the winter season that was discussed at a previous meeting was incorrect. The clerk had received only 8 of the 13 tickets. On 9/9/2014 4,000 gallons were purchased from Fertile Oil, on 6/1/2015 412.1 gallons were unused.

On 6/30/2015 the unrestricted fund balance in the general fund was \$201,844.04. Steve motioned to purchase a 24 month \$50,000.00 unrestricted CD at 1.11%, Lori seconds, motion passes. Should the city decide to cash this CD in early the interest lost would be 3 months of interest.

**Claims:**

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

**Fire Dept. Report:**

The Fire Dept. is still waiting to hear on the application for a FEMA grant.

A DNR grant was also applied for.

Because of a regional communications grant and a county wide Enbridge grant the City should be able to receive \$2,600 worth of radios at a cost of \$500. This would be paid for out of the equipment budget.

Discussion of new lights for the fire hall.

**Winger Renewal Authority Report:**

No report.

**Old Business:**

Per Polk County any repairs to manholes in the City is up to the City to take care of and pay for. Lori motioned to approve the repair of the two manholes that are in need of repair, Dan seconds, motion passes.

Dan motions to approve the repair to the roads over the culverts where needed, Steve seconds, motion passes.

Discussion of traffic on Hwy 59 and Polk County 1 through town. MNDOT regulates anything on Hwy 59 but the cost is up to the City. Polk County will help with crosswalks, crosswalk signs, radar sign on Polk County 1. A radar sign on Polk County 1 could be a 50/50 split between the county and the city. Any radar signs on Hwy 59 would have to be paid for in full by the City. Will check to see if there are any grant monies available to help pay for radar signs along Hwy 59.

The 7/20/2015 Wellhead Protection Meeting was attended by Jenilynn Marchand, T. J. Farnum, Chris Thorson, Mayor Olson, Ron, Jennifer and Todd Johnson. T. J. was going to take water samples after the meeting. Will be 2 – 3 months before there are any results. Todd Johnson presented a theory about the climbing arsenic levels in the water. Petroleum from a contamination source might be impacting the arsenic but at this time there is no confirmation of that theory.

Steve approved the motion for Dakota Ave., being shut down from Main St. east to the ally by Liquor Pigs on Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> for a street dance, Nick seconds, motion passes.

The City is now saving all computer information using Carbonite. The City will reimburse Jennifer the charge to her credit card.

**New Business:**

Steve motioned to approve the Minnesota Water Agency Response Network (MnWARN) Mutual Aid Agreement, Lori seconds, motion passes.

Dan motions to approve Resolution Authorizing Governmental Unit to be a Party to the Minnesota Water Agency Response Network (MnWARN), Resolution 2015-3, Nick seconds, motion passes.

The city has received \$4,767.50 from the state to be used “only for construction and maintenance of roads located within the City”. The city will receive another \$4,767.50 in December. A new fund has been set up in CTAS #701 Restricted Street Fund.

**Adjourn:**

Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

**Approved**

**Attest**

**Mayor**

**City Clerk**