

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Winger
June 12, 2017**

Council Members present:

The Honorable Mayor Darrell Olson
Dan Kindall, Nick Geray

Council Members absent:

Lori Lucken, Steve Massmann

Guests present:

Elena Lisov, Kiril Lisov

Maintenance Personnel was absent:

City Clerk/Treasurer present:

Jennifer Frohrip

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Olson at 7:05 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to the Agenda:

Properties in Violation
Mosquito Spraying
Resolution 2017-2

Elena & Kiril Lisov had questions on how they could list the vacant lot they own at 5 N. Mail St. (parcel 94.00082.00) as they plan on selling it. They were given a copy of Article V. Small Town Neighborhood District of the City of Winger Zoning Ordinance. If they have someone who is definitely interested in buying the property, they will have the buyer come to a council meeting to discuss their plans with the city. A trailer house will probably not be allowed.

Minutes of the May 9, 2017 meeting:

Nick motioned to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2017 meeting, Dan seconds, motion passes.

Maintenance Report:

Ponds are discharged.
Will be reading meters at the end of the month.

Financial Report:

Spring Clean Up cost the city \$396.22, which is the highest it has ever been. The weight was over 6 times what it was last year. Mary, at Bacon's, said that there was a lot of furniture. Claims included a check to Dakota Supply Group for \$915.71. This was for the parts to repair the fire hydrant that had been damaged when the fire dept. did their flushing on the west side of town. This was due to debris in the pipes which had likely been there since the pipelines were constructed. There is no labor charge from Minnesota Rural Water.

Claims:

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

Fire Dept. Report:

No report.

Old Business:

Discussion of what other cities charged if a property owner uses 4,000 gallons of water in 1 month. A spreadsheet of 8 area towns shows Winger the lowest at \$36.39 and Fisher the highest at \$104.70 (Fisher does not have its own water system. Marshall Polk Rural Water pipes water down from Warren). An additional spreadsheet of 10 towns in Minnesota shows Vergas the lowest at \$57.00 and New Germany the highest at \$131.88.

Dan attended the information meeting on Hwy 59 in Mahnomen on May 9th. The construction will probably be at the edge of Winger around the end of July or beginning of August.

The average yearly cost (plants and labor) of the Winger Memorial Park is \$582.00. The balance in the Memorial Park Garden Fund at Ultima Bank is \$416.00. However, there is also \$800 in the general fund budget for the park.

New Business:

Discussion of Billy Kaupang as a private contractor, not as a city employee. On May 18th the clerk paid Mr. Kaupang \$300.00 for getting the tree by the city shed cut down and removed. The check cleared the bank that same day. However, the tree was not taken down until May 22nd. Prepaying for work to be done is considered by the state of MN to be a loan and there is a state law against this.

The clerk is to send a letter to Ana Zarkoff (18 2nd St. N.) about the abandoned vehicles on her rental property.

The clerk is to send a letter to Steve Henderson (20 W. Dakota) about the garbage in his yard, the red car and red pick-up in his back yard and the white pick-up with the flat tire parked on the street in front of his house.

No action required at this time for 114 Loiten.

No action required at this time for the mosquito spraying.

Dan motioned to approved Resolution 2017-2 Recognizing A Vacancy in Public Office, Nick seconds, motion passes. The clerk will notify Lori Lucken first thing in the morning.

Adjourn:

Mayor Olson adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Approved

Attest

Mayor

City Clerk