

# Wrenshall City Council

## July 7, 2016, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: DonnaMae Weiderman, Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Melvin Martindale, Jeff Kimmes, Alieca Johnson, Mike Gravelle, Guy Wait, Jeff Bloom, Patty & Arlo Peterson.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to approve the Agenda as presented with the addition of: New Business d) north speed sign and e) fireworks. Motion carried.

Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Kimmes to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#26972 - #26989 (VOID #26983)...\$103,347.09; Payroll-#26990 - #27001...\$6,544.55; July bills-#27002- #27019 and 07/07/16-1 thru -3...\$27,355.70; and Electronic Transfers- DC06/16-1; #06/08/16-1 & -2; WDL16-01...\$2,258.21. Motion carried.

Thank you was given to DelZotto for the donation of two manhole risers and the labor/materials for access ramps at city hall. Their generosity was very much appreciated.

Motion by Kimmes; seconded by Martindale to negotiate terms for rental of the water building with Patty Peterson. Motion carried. A meeting will be scheduled when Son Life has given notice that they will be moving into their new offices.

Fire Chief: The Public Protection Classification report prepared by Insurance Services Office, Inc. has been reviewed. Two interviews will be given this weekend.

Water Operator: Repairing ditches on Parkwood will need to be put on hold. The hydrant by the city garage has been repaired. A wrench borrowed from Scanlon was damaged during repair and needs to be replaced (\$1200). The meter at Well #1 has been checked and is working correctly. This indicates that problems are with the pump or well itself. Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to authorize a flow test to determine what will need to be done. Motion carried. If the abandoned hydrant on Goad cannot be removed it will be painted black to indicate that it is not in service. The pumps at the Parkwood lift station are not functioning properly. Wiikwaibaan Inini will be contacted to make needed repairs. A number of issues came up while sewer lining. The lateral at 209 Pioneer could not be lined. Brad Scott will be asked to look at video to see if it should be grouted or if it can be left as is. Visu-Sewer will need to return to seal two abandoned lines that were cut out as active lines.

Clerk: The DNR has indicated that they still plan on upgrading the unfinished section of the bike trail past Magellan. It will have a granite surface until paving sometime in the future. Filing for offices of mayor and two councilpersons will be open from August 2 until August 16, 2016, at the city office for any residents wishing to run for these offices. Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Weiderman to support Brickyard Days with two additional satellites and additional garbage service at the city park. Motion carried

Planning Commission will hold its next meeting on July 28, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

Paving: Info from Brad Scott on paving and the use of crushed blacktop was reviewed.

Solar Farm: The City has been contacted by US Solar who is working with Minnesota Power to install a solar farm in this area. They have already spoken to a landowner about a 10-acre tract on Alcohol Road and would like to get city approval to move ahead. This matter will be sent to the Planning Commission for discussion. A representative from US Solar will be asked to attend their July meeting.

City Personnel Policy. Language pertaining to vacation pay needs to be clarified and a proposed revision will be sent to Frank Yetka.

Potholes on all city streets need to be fixed. Maintenance staff will check with the state garage to see if hot mix is available. If not, the City will contact Carlton County to arrange repair.

The location of the digital speed sign at the north end of town was brought up as some would like to see the sign moved further north. The Carlton County sign department had indicated that it could not because the road curves and the sign would not work. The City of Carlton will be contacted for an additional opinion as they have installed a number of these signs.

A complaint was received by the city office about a number of residents setting off fireworks this past weekend. The complaint was duly noted and discussed.

Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Martindale to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. Motion carried.