

Wrenshall City Council

July 6, 2017, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: Donna Mae Weiderman, Jeff Kimmes, Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Renae House, Guy Wait, Mike Gravelle, Rose & Gerald Axtel, Randy Wolf, Dolores Dennie, Jeff Bloom, Eric Sengarighi, Evelyn Wills, Ron Moen, Luann Friermuth, Dean Bader and Mary Lafave.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Ziebarth to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Kimmes seconded by Butala to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#27512 – 27525 (#27522-VOID)....\$23,558.07; Payroll #27526 - #27537.....\$5,950.55; July bills-#27538 - #27545 and 07/06/17-1 thru -3....\$25,038.90; and Electronic Transfers- DC06/17-1 thru -5 and 06/12/17-1 & -2.....\$2,443.24. Motion carried. It was noted that the 1st half of tax payments from Carlton County were received on July 5, 2017.

Engineering: Information on the ownership of the drainage ditch from Erickson and preliminary drawings of Hidden Meadows Third Addition were forwarded to Brad Scott.

Several Mason Drive residents were in attendance to request paving of their street from Erickson running east to the assisted living facility. Eric Sengarighi from Carlton County Riders attended the meeting to share information on the public hearing scheduled at the Carlton County Transportation Building on July 24, 2017, at 4:30 PM. The public hearing will address the use of ATVs on county road right-of-ways.

Fire Chief: There were 4 calls in June; 2 medical/2 fire. The Ford F-250 is on order from Nelson Auto Center in Fergus Falls. Final pricing came in at \$30,239.93 including tax and registration. The alternator size will need to be verified and may have to be increased which will add slightly to the cost. The color was verified and we will need to wait under enough vehicles in that color are requested for the order to be processed. There is still no word on the grant application or the DNR pickup.

Water Operator: Quotes on the “weekend reader” came in at \$17,000 to \$40,000; no action was taken. Motion by Martindale; seconded by Kimmes to allow up to \$6,000 to upgrade the alley between Goad and Mason upon receipt of a written bid from Dave Grover. Motion carried. DeCaigney’s estimate to repair sloping and replace a culvert in Parkwood is \$9,000 to \$10,000; no action was taken. Motion by Butala; seconded by Martindale to move forward with repair of the hydrant on Goad including replacement of the disturbed driveway upon receipt of a written bid (est. \$7,000-\$8,500). Motion carried.

Clerk: The solar farm is on hold pending resolution of issues with financing the project. Magellan has indicated that they will be getting bids to clean up their area at the city park. Frank Yetka has sent a letter on the City's behalf regarding violations of the terms of an existing IUP and setting a hearing for August 3, 2017, at 6:30 PM.

The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on July 27, 2017, at 6:30 PM.

Resolution 17-04 was read. Discussion followed with a number of changes made. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Kimmes to adopt the Resolution in final form as follows:

RESOLUTION 17-04

RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE
INTERIM USE PERMIT OF JEFF BLOOM/PONDEROSA SALES
FOR OUTDOOR STORAGE

WHEREAS, Jeff Bloom, d/b/a Ponderosa Sales/Lots4bid has applied for an Interim Use Permit to allow outdoor storage associated with the on-line auction/storage unit rental business to be located at 131 Broadway, Wrenshall, Minnesota;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed said application and recommended approval of the permit with the stipulation that no one item may be stored on the property for longer than sixty (60) consecutive days;

WHEREAS, the Wrenshall City Council after holding a public meeting and receiving the input of citizens regarding the proposed use has determined that it will be adopting the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding a 60-day limit;

WHEREAS, The Wrenshall City Council has considered the facts, the public input and has reviewed the application in view of the public comments received at a public hearing held on Wednesday, June 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Wrenshall City Council has determined that the planned outdoor storage with appropriate stipulations would be consistent with city ordinances and consistent with the goals of the City's comprehensive plan and does not have an undue or adverse impact on government facilities or public health.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that an Interim Use Permit (IUP) shall be granted to JEFF BLOOM, D/B/A PONDEROSA SALES/LOTS4BID upon the following conditions:

1. Application for and approval and payment of the required building permit and payment of interim use permit fees.
2. The initial storage area on the property shall be limited to the south side of the planned 42'x181' building.

3. Screening will be required on the south boundary of the property at such time as the property to the south is developed and becomes occupied. The screening can be accomplished by fencing or natural vegetation at the discretion of the owner upon prior approval by the City.
4. The permit may be reviewed at any time, at the discretion of the Council, if legitimate complaints about the appearance of the business or its operation have been received and requested corrective actions have been ignored.
5. The permit may be cancelled at any time with proper notice and hearing due to non-payment or non-compliance.

Weiderman-YES; Kimmes-YES; Ziebarth-YES; Martindale-Abstain on the grounds that city ordinances and attorney advice were not followed; Butala-YES. Motion carried.

A "Slow - Children at Play" sign will be ordered and installed on upper Goad.

Motion by Butala; seconded by Weiderman to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. Motion carried.