

Pipestone, Minnesota
November 21, 2011

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Pipestone City Council was duly held in the Municipal Building at 6:30 p.m. on the 21st day of November 2011. Mayor Laurie Ness called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared. Members present: Laurie Ness, Barbara Heyl, Harry Hansen, Jim Stout and Fred Portz. Absent: None. Others present: Deb Fitzgerald, Chuck Sendelbach, Cable Access Coordinator Steve Moffitt, City Administrator/City Attorney Jeffrey Jones and City Clerk Joan Schroeder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA – ADDITIONS, CHANGES OR DELETIONS

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Portz and unanimously carried to amend the Agenda by adding under New Business “Item E. Approve Blue Cross Blue Shield Active Living Contract”.

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Portz and unanimously carried to amend the Amended Agenda by adding to Item A. under New Business “Approve City of Pipestone as Fiscal Agent for the Area Community Foundation Grant and Approve Grant Agreement”.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following items: November 7, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes; Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills in the amount of \$281,276.48 for warrants #36128 to #36242 to be issued in payment thereof; October 2011 Financial Reports; Informational Reports.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PETITIONS AND BID OPENINGS

None.

LEGAL

None.

ENGINEERING

None.

FINANCIAL

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve City of Pipestone as Fiscal Agent for the Area Community Foundation Grant and Approve Grant Agreement

Chuck Sendelbach was present to give an update on the Pipestone Area Community Foundation Harmon Park Restoration Project. He noted that the installation of the message center is complete and operational. There are three new flag poles behind the message board that have been donated by the American Legion. The softball field has the tile system installed, a new outfield fence, scoreboard and dugouts. New lighting has been installed for the basketball and tennis courts. Next spring new basketball standards will be installed after the new sport court tile has been put in place and lines can be painted.

Mr. Sendelbach had a poster showing how the basketball and tennis courts will look once the new tile is laid. Each sponsor will have their logo imprinted on the Sport Court tile in a different color. Pepsi, New Horizon and First Bank and Trust have each paid for the new surfacing of one of the three basketball courts and Jack and Todie Sturdevant paid for the three tennis courts. Ten foot high black fencing, which matches the pool fence, will be installed around the tennis courts.

Mayor Ness thanked Mr. Sendelbach and everyone involved for all their work.

Mr. Sendelbach also thanked Fuller Paving for their donated time and material and Buffalo Ridge Concrete for the donated cement.

He announced that a re-dedication ceremony is in the planning stages.

Motion was made by Stout, seconded by Hansen and unanimously carried to agree to act as the Fiscal Agent for Southwest Initiative Foundation and approve the Southwest Initiative Foundation Grant Agreement.

Resolution 2011-35

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones stated this resolution acknowledges the donation by Fuller Paving for goods and services to assist the City with the Harmon Park Restoration Project.

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Portz and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 2011-35: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATION.

Approve Change in Management at Calumet

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones explained City ordinance requires that when a new manager is hired by an establishment with a liquor license that manager must be approved by the Sheriff's Department and the City Council.

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Portz and unanimously carried to approve Amanda Jo Thompson as the new Manager at the Calumet Inn.

Approve HRA Antenna Agreement

City Administrator/City Attorney stated this lease is for a three-year term at \$50.00 per month to rent a portion of the Nokomis Apartment roof to house the automatic water reading antenna.

A motion was made by Hansen and seconded by Stout to approve a Lease between the Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the City of Pipestone to rent a portion of the Nokomis Apartment roof to house an antenna. Upon vote taken, Ayes: None; Nays: Ness, Heyl, Hansen, Stout; Abstain: Portz, motion failed 0 – 4 – 1.

Approve Blue Cross Blue Shield Active Living Contract

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones noted this Agreement extends the contract for one year between Blue Cross Blue Shield and the City for the Active Living Partnership. Blue Cross Blue Shield provides \$125,000 in funds for the Partnership which pays for salaries, engineering costs, trainings and administrative costs.

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Stout and unanimously carried to approve Engagement Schedule #4 to Contractor Master Agreement between Blue Cross Blue Shield and the City of Pipestone.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Cable Access Committee Liaison Hanson reported a meeting was held October 21st; Cable Access Coordinator Moffitt has added weather information on the local channel; and the new operating system has been installed.

Park & Rec Board Liaison Portz reported there has been no meeting since his last report but added the Ewert Recreation Center's 30th Anniversary Celebration went well.

Planning Commission Liaison Stout reported the Commission focused on revising the sign ordinance.

CLOSING COMMENTS

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones relayed that he and Active Living Coordinator Michael Vander Haar attended a Safe Routes to School informational meeting in Marshall on the funding process.

Jones announced the acquisition of Tianna Park has been completed. Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership is assisting the residents who have 90 days to find other housing. The land will be used as a green space with picnic tables, shelter and restrooms.

Councilmembers Stout and Portz applauded the Pipestone Area Community Foundation on their work at Harmon Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Heyl, seconded by Portz and unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.

Laurie Ness
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan Schroeder
City Clerk