

City of Goodview  
City Council Minutes  
May 2, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Weimerskirch at 5:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Upon Roll Call: Mayor J.P. Weimerskirch and Councilmembers Steve Baumgart, Dick Ledebuhr, Sandy Erdman, and Mike Alexander were present.

City Staff Present: City Administrator Dan Matejka, Director of Public Works Greg Volkart, Police Chief Kent Russell, Maintenance II worker Dave Schultz, and Clerk-Typist Nancy Gaulke.

Mr. Wayne Valentine, Winona County Commissioner for the Second District, was present to provide an update on the many projects and initiatives currently being undertaken by Winona County. Among other items, Mr. Valentine gave a brief overview of the roundabout project to be located at the intersection of County Roads 17 and 15, reorganization of departments and cross-training of employees, issues related to the County jail, and the County Zoning Ordinance which went into effect March 15, 2011. He also noted the County is working on implementing a county-wide Social Host Ordinance based upon the ordinances adopted by the Cities of Goodview and Winona.

Consent Agenda: Councilmember Erdman moved and Councilmember Baumgart seconded the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. The agenda included the minutes of the April 18, 2011 regular City Council meeting including the Board of Appeals meeting.

All voted aye and the motion carried.

There was no community comment or input.

Councilmember Ledebuhr stated he has received many comments about the excellent job done by Mr. Dave Schultz sweeping the streets to clean up the sand that was deposited over the winter. Mayor Weimerskirch asked the City Administrator for an update on several properties that are not in compliance with the City's nuisance ordinance. Mr. Matejka stated he sent out letters to three property owners but did not receive a response so second requests were mailed out today. Police Chief Russell indicated he has spoken with another property owner and will be issuing a citation if there is no progress in cleaning up the property by next week.

During the Administrative Report portion of the agenda, the City Administrator provided the Council with a letter from the Winona Elks Lodge regarding the two outdoor concerts they will be having this summer. He gave a brief overview of the Legislative Session which has a completion deadline of May 23. Due to the fact the House and the Senate

cannot even agree on a budget goal, the Administrator believes a special session is almost a certainty. Mr. Matejka reported the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee has submitted its final report to the State for certification. He noted a ceremony will be held on May 31, 2011 for the National Guard troops who are being deployed. The exact time and location of the ceremony is yet to be determined. Public Works Director Mr. Greg Volkart and City Engineer Mr. Bill Trygstad reviewed the plans for extending City sewer and water services to the 63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Fifth Street area. A possible revision to the original plan, which was proposed in 2001, may include adding curb, gutter, and storm sewers on both sides of Fifth Street in the residential/commercial area to alleviate the problem of standing water after heavy rains. Mr. Volkart noted he is carefully watching the level of Lake Goodview. If the lake goes up another foot, pumping operations will be started. Police Chief Russell gave an update on the 800 MHz radio project. The new radios are currently being installed in the City squads. Winona County is in the process of soliciting bids for the new tower required for the system to become operational. Chief Russell reported Officer Travis Volkman will be attending a "Train the Trainer" class to become certified to train all City personnel on the use of the new radio system. The cost of the class is covered by a grant through Winona County so there will be no cost to the City. He reported all alcohol compliance checks have been completed and all businesses were in compliance. He announced his department was chosen to receive a new radar unit from the Safe & Sober program. Chief Russell expressed strong concerns about recent changes in the Winona County Emergency Management department. He emphasized the critical nature of the department and stated he believes it should be handled by the Winona County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Valentine indicated he will discuss Chief Russell's concerns with the Winona County Board.

The Council reviewed a request from the Winona Elks Lodge for a Holiday Lighted Parade and fireworks to be held on December 3, 2011. Police Chief Russell stated he has some concerns about the requested parade route and would like to discuss the matter with the parade committee. After discussion, Councilmember Alexander moved and Councilmember Ledebuhr seconded to table the request until after Chief Russell meets with the parade committee. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Councilmember Baumgart thanked the Goodview Police Department for assisting the Winona Police Department with an incident that happened on Huff Street near Winona State University last Wednesday night.

Mayor Weimerskirch announced that he and Councilmember Ledebuhr will continue to serve as Goodview's representatives for the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority.

Councilmember Ledebuhr moved and Councilmember Erdman seconded to adjourn. All voted aye, motion carried.

Adjournment at 5:55 p.m.

NOTE: The next regular meeting of the Goodview City Council will be on Monday, May 16, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. at Goodview City Hall.

