

City of Goodview
City Council Minutes
May 3, 2010

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

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

Consent Agenda: Councilmember Ledebuhr moved and Councilmember Andring seconded the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. The agenda included the minutes of the April 19, 2010 regular City Council meeting.

All voted aye and the motion carried.

There was no community input or comment.

Mayor Weimerskirch noted the Winona Daily News article regarding his annual trip to Arizona and commented he thought it was accurate and factual. Councilmember Ledebuhr thanked Police Chief Russell and his department for the successful pancake breakfast that was held on April 25, 2010 which raised over \$3,200 to benefit the Goodview Police Reserve program and DARE. Councilmember Andring inquired if City staff had contacted businesses and other property owners who are in violation of the City's nuisance ordinance. The City Administrator stated a list is being compiled and letters will be sent within the next few weeks. Councilmember Baumgart invited the Council to attend the Law Enforcement Memorial that will be held on May 12, 2010 at 12:30 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center to honor three Winona County law enforcement officers – John Schneider, Ted Foss, and Matthew Hamilton – who lost their lives in the line of duty.

The Council reviewed the report from the City Administrator. In response to a question from Mayor Weimerskirch, Mr. Matejka stated he had attended a grant-writing workshop sponsored by Representative Walz on April 30, 2010. The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Councilmember Baumgart asked for clarification of the status of Jech Excavating and Bauer Electric. Mr. Volkart explained Jech has made arrangements with Bauer and the generator start-up is scheduled for the coming week. Councilmember Ledebuhr asked how much money is left in the equipment bond fund. The City Administrator replied there is approximately \$250,000 remaining, and he will provide the Council with an update when the final dollar amounts are available for the

equipment that has already been purchased. The Police Department reports were reviewed.

The Council noted the Maintenance Department on-call schedule for May.

The Council reviewed the letter from Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development regarding the MN Small Cities Development Program grant. Councilmember Ledebuhr questioned how recipients were chosen to receive funds from the grant. The City Administrator explained it was an application process through SEMMCHRA.

The Council continued the discussion regarding feral cats in the City. The City Administrator reported the City's legal counsel recommends the City adopt an ordinance that requires cats to be licensed. Police Chief Russell provided information showing three options for dealing with stray animals and the cost of each option. He also informed the Council the Winona Area Humane Society will be requiring the City to sign an agreement if the City chooses to continue to use their services. He explained the City is required by state law to hold impounded animals for a minimum of five days before adopting out or otherwise disposing of the animal. After a lengthy discussion, the Council directed the City Administrator to present a draft of a cat licensing ordinance as well as a draft amendment to the current nuisance ordinance to prohibit all animals from running at large.

The Council reviewed the letter from MADD regarding Social Host ordinances. Mayor Weimerskirch stated he had also received a letter from Winona County asking the City to support a county-wide Social Host ordinance. When asked by the City Council, Police Chief Russell said he is in favor of a Social Host ordinance for the City. The Council directed the City Administrator and the Police Chief to draft a proposed Social Host Ordinance for their consideration.

In response to a question from Mayor Weimerskirch from the April 19, 2010 meeting as to why the General Government Small Tools expense is over budget, the City Administrator reported the price for the two firewalls for the City's computer systems had gone up after the budget was created.

Councilmember Ledebuhr noted Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces had been discussed by the Council in the past and stated he would like to revisit the subject. The Council requested City staff provide information and recommendations to the Council.

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

Adjournment at 5:53 p.m.

NOTE: The next regular meeting of the Goodview City Council will be on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at Goodview City Hall.