

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-04-24-07

The City of Pelican Rapids City Council met in regular session at 4:30 p.m., 04-24-07, in Council Chambers, City Hall. Mayor Wayne Runnigen, Council Members Ben Woessner, John E. Waller, III, Richard Peterson and David Gottenborg were present. No one was absent. Administrator Don Solga, Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Library Director Annie Wrigg, Dennis Christenson of the Fergus Falls Otter Tail County HRA, Chris Schuelke of Otter Tail County Historical Society and Kelley Gorman of The Pelican Press were also present.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Runnigen.

The Otter Tail County Historical Society presentation was added to the agenda.

Monte Eastvold of Northland Securities provided information regarding the City's approval of the Economic Development Authority's bond issue. Motion by Waller, seconded by Peterson to approve **A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING OF FIRE HALL FACILITIES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AGREEMENT; AND APPROVING BOND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$995,000 PUBLIC PROJECT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2007A (FIRE HALL PROJECT)**. (A complete text of this resolution is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously and resolution declared duly adopted.

Motion by Woessner, seconded by Peterson to approve the **LEASE AND PURCHASE OPTION AGREEMENT WITH THE PELICAN RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AS LESSOR AND THE CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA AS LESSEE**. (A complete text of this agreement is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously and resolution declared duly adopted.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Woessner to introduce the following resolution, entitled, **RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS SERIES 1992B**. (A complete text of this resolution is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously and resolution declared duly adopted.

Chris Schuelke of Otter Tail County Historical Society was present to discuss the historical monument that was built in 1946 by the Historical Society, the City of Pelican Rapids and eight townships. This monument needs to be restored and Schuelke is contacting various service organizations and individuals to raise money for the project. The estimated cost would be \$12,000.

Fire Chief Trevor Steeves reported on plans for the construction phase of the Fire Hall.

Dennis Christenson of the Fergus Falls and Otter Tail County Housing Redevelopment Authority was present to discuss the DEED Small Cities Development Program Grant requirements. The first item concerned the environmental review. Motion by Waller, seconded by Gottenborg to authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Categorical Exclusion for HUD Funded

Projects. (A complete text is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously.

A legal notice will be published in the Pelican Rapids Press on 04-25-07 and the City Council needs to request release of funds from HUD. Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Woessner to authorize the mayor to sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification. (A complete text is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Woessner to authorize the mayor and clerk to sign the **STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION FOR THE SMALL CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT CDAP-06-0036-0-FY07**. (A complete text of this agreement is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Woessner to authorize the following resolution, entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR SERVICES 2007 PELICAN RAPIDS SCDP REHABILITATION PROGRAM**, an administrative contract between the City of Pelican Rapids and the Fergus Falls Housing and Redevelopment Authority. (A complete text of this resolution is part of permanent public record in the city clerk's office.) Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Waller to approve the Accounts Payable Listing of 04-24-07 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrator Don Solga announced that the State of Minnesota has approved the Orderly Annexation of the property at 1212 S. Broadway into the City of Pelican Rapids.

Administrator Don Solga reviewed the application deadline for the Intended Use Permit (IUP) if the City wishes to construct a water/sewer replacement project in 2008. City Council agreed that they want to wait until late 2008 to see what the Phosphorous Control project costs are to residents before considering whether to go forward with a future project and apply for the IUP for a 2009 funding year at the earliest.

The Economic Development Corporation (EDC) invited the City Council to the Library on 05-10-07 at 7:00 p.m., to honor Dave Weakland's service to the EDC.

Administrator Don Solga reviewed the City of Pelican Rapids City Hall lease with Lake Region Electric Cooperative.

Motion by Waller, seconded by Gottenborg to approve the EDA's actions approving the Accounts Payable Listing, the minutes of 03-27-07 and 04-09-07 and authorizing the EDA's contract with Northland Securities for purchase of \$995,000 Public Project Revenue Bonds. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Waller to adjourn the meeting to 04-30-07 at 1:00 p.m., to consider the City Hall lease. Motion passed unanimously.

Glenys Ehlert, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer