

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 06-11-01

The City Council of the City of Pelican Rapids met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., on 06-11-01, in the Pelican Rapids Public Library Meeting Room. Mayor Wayne Runningen, Council Members Paulette Nettetstad, Dave Gottenborg, Denise Magnusson and John Waller III were present. Administrative Assistant Richard A. Jenson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Street and Park Superintendent Vern Benson, Utilities Superintendent Brent Frazier, Pat Reinsnour and Dave Shaw were also present.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Runningen.

No items were added to the agenda.

Pat Reinsnour of Interstate Engineering, Inc. addressed the City Council regarding Water Plant Controls. The present control system is becoming obsolete and it is getting difficult to secure repair parts for the system. His proposal includes looking at the existing system and preparation of a planning document. Interstate Engineering, Inc. proposes to provide these services on an hourly basis subject to a not-to-exceed cost of \$3,800. Reinsnour estimated the report would be available at next month's meeting.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Nettetstad to authorize the planning phase for replacement of the Water Plant Controls. Motion passed unanimously.

Pelican Valley Nursing Home Administrator Dave Shaw was present to discuss the possibility of the City waiving the building permit fee for the Assisted Living Apartments. Administrative Assistant Richard A. Jenson explained the building permit provides \$2.00 per thousand for the City to inspect the building process on the building and 50 cents per thousand is a state surcharge.

Jenson reminded Council Members the City of Pelican Rapids paid for economic developer Skip Carpenter to write the loan request for the Rural Utilities Services at a cost of \$5,000.

Shaw thanked Council for Carpenter's work on the loan.

No action was taken.

Motion by Waller, seconded by Magnusson to approve the minutes of 05-14-01 and 05-30-01 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Nettetstad to approve payment of the 06-11-01 Accounts Payable Listing as presented with the following additions: Scott Dirks, May Legal Fees - \$603.00; Rein & Associates, WWTF Engineering - \$734.00 and Peplawn, Lagoon, WWTF Spraying - \$1491.00. Board Representative Jack Ralston approved library bills listed on 06-04-01. Motion passed unanimously.

Street and Park Superintendent Vern Benson reported on his departments' activities. Council expressed appreciation on the main street planters; the flowers look very nice.

Utilities Superintendent Brent Frazier reported on his departments' activities. Inflow and infiltration was doing better until the heavy rains today.

Frazier checked further on the height of the proposed pond liner. This reduced the \$15,400 for rip rapping the wastewater ponds.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Waller to accept Egge's quoted price for rip rapping the pond as proposed. Motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief Greg Ballard reviewed his report for City Council.

The Liquor Store report was not available.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert reviewed the 05-31-01 Financial Reports.

Mayor Runningen said he and Jenson are continuing to review the Comprehensive Plan and will report to Council at a later date.

Jenson reviewed the Library Contribution Policy. Friends of the Pelican Rapids Public Library will be receiving donations of stock for the library.

Council Member Gottenborg discussed problems in storm water drainage. Jenson said the engineering report for the work at the elementary school called for notifying the homeowners of potential flooding. Council considered creating a holding pond in the existing skating rink or draining water away from football field into another system.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Glenys Ehlert

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer