

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS COUNCIL MINUTES 1-10-00

The City Council of the City of Pelican Rapids met in regular session on Monday, 1-10-00, at 6:30 p.m., in the Pelican Rapids Public Library meeting room.

Present: Mayor Wayne Runningen, Council Members Paulette Nettetstad, David Gottenborg, Denise Magnusson and John Wailer III.

Absent: None.

Also present: Deputy Clerk Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Streets Superintendent Vern Benson, Police Chief Greg Ballard, Acting Secretary Julie Lammers, Paul Haberman and GL Tucker of West Central of Turkeys.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Wayne Runningen.

Sidewalk cleaning was added to the agenda.

Motion by Waller and second by Magnusson to approve minutes of 12-13-99 and 12-29-99 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Council discussed Accounts Payable Listing of 1-10-00.

Motion by Magnusson and second by Nettetstad to approve payment of 1-10-00 Accounts payable listing with additions: Library bills in amount of \$4,482.12 and Richard Isles for computer support for \$309.50. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Nettetstad and second by Waller to appoint Gottenborg as Acting Mayor. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Nettetstad and second by Magnusson to appoint Richard A Jenson as Clerk-Treasurer and Glenys Ehlert as Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Magnusson and second by Waller to set times and places of meetings to second

Monday at 6:30 p.m., Pelican Rapids Public Library and last Wednesday at 3:30 p.m., Pelican Rapids Public Library. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Waller and second by Magnusson to appoint Scott Dirks as general counsel and Charles Krekelberg as prosecuting attorney. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Nettetstad and second by Magnusson to designate Pelican Rapids Press as the official newspaper. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Waller and second by Nettetstad to designate Norwest Bank and Lake County State Bank as Official Depositories. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Magnusson and second by Nettestad to approve two delegates to attend fire school. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Waller, seconded by Nettestad to approve expenses for Annual Fire Department Convention and Fire Department Officers. Motion passed unanimously

Motion by Magnusson and second by Nettestad to approve expenses for Water, Wastewater, Bio-solids, Building Officials', Liquor Store, Clerks', Mayors', and Coalition of Greater MN Cities conferences. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Nettestad and second by Waller to approve payment of bonds for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk bond. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion Nettestad and seconded by Magnusson to approve payment of Liquor Store Bond. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Waller and second by Magnusson appoint Rita Hayek to the Library Board for 2000, 2001 and 2002. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Nettestad, seconded by Gottenborg to appoint John Waller III as Planning Commission representative from the City Council for 2000 and Dean Capouch to the Planning Commission for 2000-2002; to appoint Denise Magnusson to the Park Board for 2000 and to appoint Don Lundrigan to the airport for 2000-2002 and to appoint Wayne Runningen as Western Area City County Cooperative representative and Denise Magnusson as alternate for 2000. Motion passed unanimously.

Runningen explained our policy on leave of absences. BJ Bleess is requesting a leave of absence. Police Chief Greg Ballard reviewed his report with council.

Motion by Nettestad, seconded by Waller to grant leave of absence to BJ Bleess from 1-15-00 to 3-15-00 as recommended by Police Chief Greg Ballard. Motion passed unanimously.

Ballard explained that other cities are buying bullet proof vests for their officers. The Pelican Rapids Police department needs two more vests. After receiving grants the cost of the vests would be \$66.00 each.

Motion by Gottenborg, second by. Waller to purchase vests for the police department. Motion passed unanimously.

Runningen thanked Greg Ballard and Scott Fox for working with the organization of "Working Together."

At 7:00 p.m. Paul Haberman of West Central Turkey's conducted a Public Meeting on their Risk Management Plan for the ammonia refrigeration system until 7:25 p.m.

Utility Superintendent report was read by Glenys Ehlert prepared by Brent Frazier. Streets Superintendent Vern Benson reported on parks and streets departments.

Benson explained that Jeannie Hovland has requested that the City clean the downtown portion of the sidewalks when the City plows. Benson explained it would take him a little over an hour to complete. Gene Carlson does that for the town now as a business.

Council reviewed liquor store report.

Financial Report was presented by Deputy Clerk Treasurer Glenys Ehlert. Gottenborg questioned where the police grant was. Ballard explained that he was still working on it. "We should be receiving the money soon." he said. Ehlert explained a few changes to Budget Comparison.

Runnigen explained that Administrative Assistant Richard A. Jenson is also working on the water and sewer budgets.

Motion by Nettestad, seconded by Magnusson to set a public hearing on 1-26-00 at 4:00 p.m. at the Pelican Rapids Public Library meeting room to discuss the proposed expansion of a local manufacturing firm within the City, the need for the expansion, project costs and the proposed financing plan. Motion passed unanimously.

Ehlert explained that two additional election judges are needed for 1-25-00 election. Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Waller to appoint Jackie Backstrom and Cecil Femling as election judge. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to at 8:10 p.m.

Julie Lammers
Acting Secretary