

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 10-08-01

The City Council of Pelican Rapids met in regular session on Monday, 10-08-01, at 6:00 p.m. in the Pelican Rapids Public Library meeting room. Acting Mayor Dave Gottenborg, Council Members Denise Magnusson, Paulette Nettetstad and John E. Waller, III were present. Mayor Wayne Runningen was absent. Administrative Assistant Richard A. Jenson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Utilities Superintendent Brent Frazier, Acting Chief Scott Fox and Gary Peterson of the Pelican Rapids Press were also present.

Mayor Gottenborg called meeting to order.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Motion by Nettetstad, seconded by Waller to approve minutes of 9-10-01 and 9-26-01 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Council reviewed the 10-08-01 Accounts Payable Listing.

Motion by Magnusson, seconded by Nettetstad to approve the 10-08-01 Accounts Payable Listing with the following additions: Minnesota Environmental Science and Economic Review Board, wastewater assessment, \$548; Municipal Service Co., WWTF, \$5073; Schultz Torgerson, Facilities Study Expense, \$1560, and Harold's Cartage, Sludge Freight, \$63. Motion includes approval of October Library Accounts Payable, approved by Library Board on 10-04-01. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Assistant Richard A. Jenson read Street and Parks Superintendent Vern Benson's report on his departments activities.

Acting Chief Scott Fox reviewed his department's activities.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert reviewed the 09-30-01 financial reports. She reported on falling interest rates for long term and short-term investments and explained various investment items.

Utilities Superintendent Brent Frazier reported on his departments' activities.

Jenson explained that Public Facilities Funding for Water Plant Improvements is a possibility for financing the project. The interest rate varies and could be in the 3% range. Ehlert reported local banks were also willing to finance the project in the 5 to 5.25% interest range.

Jenson reported Mayor Runningen, City Attorney Scott Dirks and he met with Jennie O and provided them with information about shortfall in tax increment financing for wastewater treatment facility bonds. Discussions are continuing on repayment.

Motion by Waller, seconded by Magnusson to authorize City Attorney Scott Dirks to draft changes in the Curfew Ordinance language to include a prohibition against vehicular use by underage children after curfew. Motion passed unanimously.

Council authorized a city staff person to attend the West Central Initiative Fund meeting on community survival.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Glenys Ehlert, CMC
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer