

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 10-25-05

The City Council of Pelican Rapids met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, 10-25-05, in Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Wayne Runningen, Council Members Ben Woessner, David Gottenborg, John E. Waller, III, and Richard Peterson were present. No one was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Utility Superintendent Brent Frazier, David Rein and Park Board Member Julie Lammers were also present.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Runningen.

Raffle Permits were added to the agenda.

Council reviewed the Accounts Payable Listing. Motion by Waller, seconded by Gottenborg to approve the Accounts Payable Listing of 10-25-05 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Park Board Member Julie Lammers reported on the Park Board meeting of Tuesday, 10-25-05.

David Rein explained the purpose of covering the two small anaerobic ponds with barley straw is to reduce odor and keep the water warmer. He reviewed his bid for covering the ponds. Utilities Superintendent Brent E. Frazier said this is the only bid he has received and a decision needs to be made if work is to be completed this fall. Council decided to adjourn this meeting to Thursday, 10-27-05, to decide on anaerobic pond covering.

Mayor Runningen reviewed a request from the League of Minnesota Cities for Board Members. Any interested council members will contact Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert.

Motion by Gottenborg, seconded by Waller to certify unpaid utility bills and a mowing bill to the Otter Tail County Auditor for collection with real estate taxes for the following parcels: 97-000 in the amount of \$110.34 for utility billing; 148-000 in the amount of \$318.28 for utility billing and 284-000 in the amount of \$205.70 for mowing. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Peterson reviewed a grant agreement with the State of Minnesota for new airport runway lighting. Total project costs are not to exceed \$27,200 with the state portion of \$21,760 and the city portion of \$5,440. Motion by Woessner, seconded by Waller to approve the project and authorize the Mayor and Administrator to sign the agreement by introducing the following resolution, entitled, **RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT**. 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 Gottenborg, seconded by Waller to approve the raffle permits for St. Leonard Church on 12-11-05, and the Pelican Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce on 12-17-05. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Runningen and Council Members reviewed the Fire Department ratings which have improved about two points from previous years. This change usually results in lower insurance premiums to residents of the cities and townships in the fire district.

Council Member Waller said he is replacing Denise Magnusson on the Animal Control Committee.

Motion by Waller, seconded by Gottenborg to adjourn meeting to 7:15 a.m., Thursday, 10-27-05 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Glenys Ehlert, Clerk-Treasurer, 5:05 p.m.