

City Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2010

Erskine City Council met in regular session Monday, April 12, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Paul Noyes, Council Members: Jim Herdliska, Rod Morinville and Marc Plante. Absent: Travis Keeler.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante approved the agenda with additions. Carried.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved city minutes from March 8. Carried.

Art Paulson was present to discuss some recent plumbing work done at his business on Vance Avenue South. Mr. Paulson stated electrical updates will be done later this year. Structure safety issues were discussed in detail. The issue was tabled for a future meeting.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved a proposal from Water Tower Clean and Coat, Inc. to clean the interior and exterior of the water tower at a cost of \$3,700.00. Carried.

Discussion was held on issuing administrative fines for unregulated deposit and storage of junk. Council was in agreement to leave existing city code regulations in place.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante approved the amended Encroachment Permit with Polk County for the Erskine Attachment property. Carried.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved monthly bills in the amount of \$45,934.21. Carried.

New firefighter Mike Meyer was approved on a motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska. Carried.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante approved a temporary liquor license for the Erskine Commercial Club to operate a beer garden during the Water Carnival. Carried.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved the attached resolution accepting a donation from the American Legion in the amount of \$500.00 for the Erskine Memorial park. Carried with four ayes.

Discussion was held on the exterior walls at the Community Center. When the structure was built construction did not include wrap beneath the siding. Council directed the clerk to contact Jim Espeseth for possible solutions.

Potential water improvements include 2 new wells at the water tower site, land acquisition, demolition of the abandon water tower, water treatment plant, and replacing a portion of the water distribution system with an estimated project cost of 2,823,491.00. The project has been placed on the project priority list and the next step is to request placement on the 2011 Intended Use Plan with the Public Facilities Authority. Funding is awarded by the PFA in August 2010. It was noted if the project is eligible for funding the city is not obligated to proceed.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante approved submitting the Water System Improvements project on the 2011 IUP with the Public Facilities Authority. Carried.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved Gopher State One-Call Sponsorship through Garden Valley in the amount of \$15.00. Carried.

Lift station pump was tabled until May to obtain one additional quote.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska gave approval for maintenance to order and replace the siding at the city shop. Carried.

Discussion was held on purchasing a new public access dock. The clerk was directed to contact the DNR about cost sharing programs/grants.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante authorized Amber Kazmierczak to rent the Community Center kitchen each Friday for baking breads. Carried.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante approved street dances for June 4 and 5. Liquor will be served by The Deuce Bar and Grill and Erskine commercial Club with liquor liability required from both entities. Carried.

With no further business a motion was made by Plante seconded by Herdliska to adjourn. Carried.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer