

City Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting
July 13, 2009

Erskine City Council met in regular session, Monday July 13, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Paul Noyes, Council Members: Jim Herdliska, Travis Keeler, Rod Morinville, Marc Plante, and Clerk Treasurer Sharon Kotrba.

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

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

EDA reported that Bob Anderson is renting the gym at the school site on a trial basis until September. A financial update was given on the Laundromat and debt payments.

Council directed maintenance to move the playground equipment at the school closer to the baseball field and remove the monkey bars.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved the attached resolution identifying community development needs and supports the submission of a rehab funding application to the Minnesota Small Cities Development Program. Carried.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved a Cooperative Agreement between the cities of McIntosh and Erskine for the SCDP rehab grant and a contract with NW MN Multi-County HRA to complete the grant application at a cost of \$500.00. Carried with Morinville opposed.

Proposals received for repairing Park Street were from D & B Construction \$27,515.00 and J & S Gravel \$28,531.10 (with grading not provided by J & S Gravel). Maintenance was directed to check sites where geogrid was placed on roads for durability, etc. A decision will be made at next month's meeting.

Motion by Plante seconded by Keeler approved monthly bills in the amount of \$25,001.46. Carried.

Motion by Herdliska seconded by Plante declined the request made by Bob Kringen asking for late charge fees to be refunded totaling \$30.00 on his rental unit. Carried.

Erskine Fire Relief Association Bylaws were tabled until August.

Motion by Keeler seconded by Morinville approved a special sports and convention license for Duffer's Bar & Grill to serve at the Abel wedding held at the Community Center on September 26, 2009. Carried.

Street lighting ordinance was tabled.

Motion by Plante seconded by Keeler approved an Internal Control Policy. Carried.

Discussion was held on annexing a portion of land east of the city limits. Council would like to move forward with the process since water and sewer is provided to a portion of the area. Future meetings will be held to discuss the issue further.

Motion by Plante seconded by Herdliska approved sending letters to the list presented to council with regards to junk violations. Carried with Morinville opposed.

Maintenance reported the city has two well pumps not being used. Council directed a For Sale ad be placed on the MN Rural Water and the League of MN Cities website.

Fire Chief Pete LaCoursiere reported that five firefighters have completed firefighter I training. The department may apply for a grant through the Rydell Wildlife Refuge requiring a 5% match.

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

The City of Erskine is an equal opportunity provider.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer