

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CALEDONIA, MINNESOTA  
Monday, June 23, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: Following due call and notice thereof, Mayor Burns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room, City Hall.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Mayor Bob Burns Council Members: DeWayne Schroeder, Randi Vick, Bob Lemke and Paul Fisch. City Staff Present: City Clerk/Administrator: Ted Schoonover, Administrative Coordinator Mike Gerardy. Guests present: Jerry Steele, Caledonia Argus reporter Daniel McGonigle and his son Ezra.

AGENDA: Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Fisch to approve the agenda as amended. All present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Lemke to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the regular meeting minutes from June 9, 2014. All present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

VISITORS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Administrator Schoonover presented the Council with a letter of resignation from EDA Board member Mike Werner, to be effective immediately. The letter was accepted with many regrets as Mr. Werner has represented the city and the EDA in a most favorable manner and his service and dedication will be greatly missed.

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR: Gerardy presented the council with a request for a sign at the H&R Block building. It will require a variance and therefore we need to set a public hearing for that as well. Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Schroeder to set the public hearing for July 14, 2014 at 6:15 p.m. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Gerardy then presented the council with a building permit for Jerry Steele at 712 Marilouis Ct. He is wanting to place a temporary storage structure on the property until he can afford to add to the existing structure. The Mayor asked him how big of a shed he was looking at, Mr. Steele stated he would like to have a 18' x 21' storage building. If he wants to eventually make a permanent expansion then I feel he should apply as if he is doing it now and that would allow him to have a temporary building there until the permanent one can be built stated the Mayor. Gerardy stated he can get the variances that will be needed and set a public hearing. Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Fisch to set the public hearing for July 14, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. All members voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk/Administrator Schoonover presented the council with an Accident Plan For City Volunteers Renewal for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$229.00. Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Lemke to approve the renewal quote. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Vick to approve Resolution 2014-005 allowing part-time police officer Cody N. Bellock to participate in PERA. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Schroeder to approve the 2014 Ambulance Subsidy Contracts with Mayville, Winnebago and Brownsville Townships. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Administrator Schoonover brought back the Minnesota Performance Program and reported that for the small amount of money the city would receive it didn't appear to be worth the investment in time and effort to compile the data. He will do additional research and possibly bring it back to the council next year. No action taken.

Schoonover informed the council that it appears the Ambulance department is short on pagers. They currently have 26 with a need of 29. Donn Hager would like to request the purchase of up to six pagers as the ones they are using are well over 10 years old and have reached the end of their expected life span. This would ensure that everyone had one with three spares. The council felt that we needed to conduct an inventory and ensure that those that have left the department have returned their pagers but also felt they needed to upgrade. Motion by Member Fisch, second by Mayor Burns to purchase up to 4 pagers a cost of \$\$1,664.00 and to conduct an inventory and research past members had in deed returned the pagers they were issued. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared passed.

Administrator Schoonover presented the board with a proposal to commit to an agreement with LETG Public Safety Software, this is the technology that Houston County is proposing and we can get it at a discount rate by piggy backing off of them. It is estimated that the software, in car laptops, printers to include e-tickets will cost

\$27,000.00 for the City of Caledonia, the annual estimated maintenance fee is approximately \$2,765.00. New legislation is coming that will be requiring e-tickets be mandatory and that our current system is no longer being supported and is extremely outdated and difficult to interact between agencies. The new system is more user friendly, has real time data and is used by 67 counties throughout Minnesota. Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Vick to commit to participate in the upgrade with the caveat that the county commits as well. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Mayor Burns stated that he had a conversation with Shannon Sweeney from David Drown Associates and that if the referendum passes we can, if the council chooses could vote to bond for the project and then rather than assessing the payments to the property owners could transfer funds from the electrical enterprise funds to make the principle and interest payments. Discussion followed and the council was split on whether they felt that was the best way to go, as there are a lot of other projects that we need to accomplish such as streets, new well, new sewer plant etc... No action was taken.

Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Lemke to set the wages of the temporary part-time librarian Karen Gran at \$12.23 per hour. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Member Vick, second by Mayor Burns to transfer the sign rental charge for Music in the Park to the Police Reserves. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

Administrator Schoonover presented the council with a baseball tournament registration. In the past the city has always paid for one local (Bud Monarch) tournament and one outside tournament. This one however is \$395.00, the most we have ever paid previously was \$275.00. Motion by Mayor Burns, second by Member Schroeder to approve the purchase and to set a maximum cap of \$400.00 on any given tournament. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, July 14, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Council, A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Burns, second by Member Schroeder. All voted in favor and the motion was declared carried to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

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Robert Burns

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