Agenda
Regular Meeting of the City Council
Monday, August 13, 2007

I. Call to Order
   A. 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room, City Hall.

II. Roll Call
   A. Members present:

   B. Members absent:

   C. Consultants and City Staff present:

   D. Visitors present:

III. Consent Agenda
   A. Minutes of Past Meetings: Consideration for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Monday, July 23, 2007. Addendum #1

   B. Application for Exempt Permit: An Application for Exempt Permit has submitted by St. Mary's Parish to conduct a gambling event to include bingo, raffles and pull tabs at St. Mary's Grade School, 308 East South Street, on October 28, 2007, requesting further a waiver of the waiting period.

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IV. Visitors and Communications
   A. Noise Complaint: Peggy Purcell wishes to address the Council concerning late evening noises from batting practice machines at 315 West Lincoln Street.

Council Action:

B. Administrative Coordinator Topics

1. Generator Bid: Mr. Gerardy will present the generator bids for the 125 KW Generator installation behind City Hall.

Council Action:

2. Electric Department Garage Wiring Bids: Mr. Gerardy will review bids received for wiring the new electric department garage.

Council Action:

3. Contractor's Payment Estimate: Mr. Gerardy will present a partial estimate request from Caledonia Lumber for worked performed on the electric department garage.

Council Action:

4. Miscellaneous Items:

Council Action:

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E. Communications

1. The Wheel, August 2007. Addendum #2

V. <u>Claims</u>

A. Prepaid Claims: Consideration for approval of the Prepaid Claims List for July 2007. Addendum #3

Council Action:

B. Claims Payable: Consideration for approval and authorization for payment of the Claims Payable List for July 2007. Addendum #4

Council Action:

VI. Old Business

A. Zoning Application – Paulette Lawson: I recommend the Council deny the proposal made by Norman Snodgrass at the July 9 Council Meeting when he proposed building a two story home with two garages in front of the mobile home that sets on the property at 825 North Kingston Street. I will explain further at the meeting. Addendum #5

Council Action:

B. Houston County CJC: Since the Public Hearing on July 11, there have been continued committee meetings between Houston County representatives and City representatives regarding the CJC Center, its location and issues surrounding the zoning application procedure. While it appears necessary to re-advertise for a Public Hearing to consider revised plans for placement of the building along the east side of the property, adjacent to Pine Street and install parking lots throughout the entire Courthouse Square parcel. There would also be a new advertisement for vacating the two street segments. Among the issues discussed, however, was that the city would agree to accept the advertisement for parking stall number and dimensions based upon the original advertisement and would not obligate the county to re-advertise those at a new public hearing. Addendum #6

Council Action:

C. Compensation Study: When the Council was considering the pay equity report to the State of Minnesota, discussion was introduced about a compensation study performed by Paul Ness for the City. Enclosed is a copy of his study and recommendations. Addendum #7

Council Action:

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VII. New Business

A. Telephone Plan: An Ace Link representative reviewed new phone plans with me at the Clerk's Office suggesting that the plan shown on Addendum #8 could save the City approximately $57.00 per month. Does the Council wish to authorize a change in the phone plan for the City? This would apply to all lines in all departments. Addendum #8

Council Action:

B. Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association: The MMUA has requested an update of delegate appointment in the event of attendance at any MMUA Meetings. The records they had on file since 1995 were to appointment Roger Schmitz as delegate with alternates being the Mayor, the Clerk – Administrator and Assistant City Electrician. Addendum #9

Council Action:

C. Liquor License: Elmer and Beverly Rud intend to sell their establishment to Elsie Rud with Joe Rud leasing the bar. His current plan, along with Elsie's is to continue operating the bar under the name of Sonny and Bev's Bar and Grill. The new owners intend to take over August 27. The City Council has a number of options which they may do with the license; I will explain those at the meeting.

Council Action:

D. Coaching Wages: Robert Ekern, Brownsville, coached one of the girls' teams this season and is requesting an hourly wage for his services. Addendum #11

Council Action:

E. 2008 Home Show: Does the Council wish to renew the application to have a booth at the LaCrosse Home Show for a fee of $500, $250 payable now and $250 payable prior to February 28, 2008?

Council Action:

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VIII. Clerk's Report

A. Police Department Reports: Enclosed are the Police Officer Activity List and Police Officer Activity Summary for July 2007. Addendums #11 and #12

B. Local Government Aid: Enclosed is the report from the Minnesota Department of Revenue projecting the City of Caledonia's Local Government Aid for calendar year 2008 at $830,039, a $42,668 increase over the 2007 distribution of $787,371. Addendum #13

C. Employee Time Record: Enclosed is the Employee Time Record for pay period July 16 – 29, 2007. Addendum #14

D. End of Season Meeting: There will be an End of Season Parent Meeting for the Summer Athletic Field Program to be held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 21, at the Caledonia Auditorium, Gymnasium Floor Level.

E. Coulee Region Girls Softball: There will be a post season organizational meeting for the Coulee Region Girls Softball League at 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, August 22, 2007, in the Onalaska Community Center (corner of 6th and Quincy Streets). Addendum #15

F. Fire Relief Association Report: Enclosed is a copy of the schedule for lump sum pension plans reporting year 2007. Addendum #16

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IX. Miscellaneous Items

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X. Adjournment