

CITY OF HOKAH, MN

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 6:00 PM

JUNE 7, 2011

- **CALL TO ORDER:** 6:00 pm
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Completed
- **ROLL CALL:** Christianson, Mullen, Martell Fordahl, Scholze
- **ACTION TO CHANGE AGENDA:** 8.5 Blacktop quotes, 8.6 City Buildings by Scholze, Payables-VonArx Invoice

1. **Consent Agenda:** Motion by Christianson, second by Mullen rollcall all approve.

All items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion.

If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately

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| 1.1 | MINUTES | May 3, 2011 |
| 1.2 | BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH | June 3, 2011 |
| 1.3 | CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET | June 3, 2011 |

2. **Water/Waste Water/City Engineer Report :**

Klingsporn not in attendance.

3. **Library Report :**

Bissen discusses signage.

4. **Police Dept. Report:**

Schuldt discusses break-ins, Martell asks for more Police patrols, and to look at funding at budget time.

5. **Streets / Maintenance Report :**

Klingsporn not in attendance.

6. **Recreation Board Report:**

Mullen reports the pool is now open. Summer Rec. is now open. Also discusses equipment issues.

7. **Planning Commission / Zoning Report:**

Christianson reports the Planning Commission has discussed Mike Bubany, issued a copy of the Hokah Comprehensive Plan to all Members, and they plan to meet every month.

8. **Items for Consideration:**

8.1 Insurance Review-Danielsen Ins. Agency.

Randy from Danielsen Insurance presents a document pertaining to the current City of Hokah Insurance coverage's, etc. He reports the current premium rates in comparison to previous years. Further he asks the City overlook the current levels of coverage's for various items. Blank asks Fire Chief Mike Walsh if he had a chance to review vehicle coverage levels he had sent to Members of the Fire Department. Walsh stated he didn't see any changes. Martell questions current values and replacement values. Randy reports that almost all coverage's are actual cash values. We would be paid what the item is worth, not the level it is insured. Martell points out the one particular vehicle, the International Dump Truck is valued approx. twice what it is currently worth. Martell asks that the Fire Department determine the actual value of the vehicles and let Blank know.

8.2 Fire Department Temp. Alcohol/Gambling October 14, 2011

Motion by Martell, second by Christianson to approve. Rollcall all approve.

8.3 Mike Bubnay update.

Council suggests a letter to Bubnay thanking him for his presentation, and that we will consider his services when we are ready to complete a major project. Administrator Blank will discuss with City Clerk Moen to complete a letter to Mike Bubnay.

8.4 Employee Items –Phone, Internet, Benefit.

Administrator Blank reports that he is investigating phone service options, as well as installing a wireless system to the WWTP. Further, Blank reports that he has been in conversation with a representative from Delta Pathfinder Dental. Blank states that if we were to change companies, we could receive better benefits, at a reduced cost of premium. Blank reports that five individuals are required for the group coverage's, which Blank has stated he would join, and he and Klingsporn would have to locate another Dentist, as their current is not in the preferred providers list. Current Family coverage's with Principle is \$186.86 per month. Delta Pathfinder Family coverage is \$85.38. Delta also has \$100.00 lifetime deductible. Further coverage's would increase to \$1,250 maximum per individual. Savings should be approx \$300.00 per month. Motion by Christianson second by Martell rollcall all approve.

8.5 Blacktop-Sealing quotes.

Blank reports that Klingsporn has obtained quotes for seal coating from Scott Construction and Blacktop Services. Scott 's quote: \$20,264.44. Blacktop Service quote: \$16,669.95. Martell asks what type of chip material does the two quotes list? He was concerned that Scott's uses a granite material, and wonders if Blacktop Service might be quoting limestone. Council directs Blank to determine the chip material, and if they would be the same material, to take the lowest bidder. Further, if the materials aren't comparable, to get a second quote for granite from each, and accept the lowest quote.

8.6 City Buildings – Mayor Scholze.

Mayor Scholze discusses City Buildings. He states he is concerned about all the buildings the City has. He states he has heard a lot of conversation regarding the buildings. He asks do we improve a building, consolidate a building, etc. He suggests discussing this again next month.

7:00 PM Solid Waste Proposals

Administrator Blank presents to the Council he has mailed RFP's to four area solid waste haulers: Further he hands out a worksheet for the Council, and presents to Mayor Scholze four sealed envelopes from those haulers containing quotes for services for a three year term. After review and lengthy discussion by Council and audience including representatives from Harter's Quick Clean-Up, Richards Sanitation and Waste Management, a motion by Fordahl to approve a three year contract with Richard's Sanitation. Motion is for both bags and carts, and if a resident fails to respond to make a choice, they will be assigned a 64 gallon cart. Second by Mullen. Rollcall: Martell abstain, the rest yes. Rates: 30 Gal Bag:\$1.55. 32 Gallon Cart: \$8.14. 64 Gallon Cart: \$8.97 96. Gallon Cart: \$9.84. Recycle: \$3.14.

9. Old Business:

Martell discusses the City tractor. Discusses hauling the tractor to repair location. Scholze asks Martell contact the firm, and have them pickup the tractor. Further discussion regarding the mechanics of the damage to the engine. Martell also discusses trading the tractor, for a larger one that will also be serviceable to the WWTF duties.

10. Council Member's Comments:

Martell discusses recent storm damages to trees, etc. Martell states the City is to haul damaged trees, etc. that residents place on the boulevard. Blank asks for this clarification, and he will direct Employees to remove. Council general agreement that limbs are to be picked up, but not leaves. Martell states that program ended when the dump/brush site was opened. Blank states he will inform Employees of this tomorrow.

11. Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Scholze states people have been asking about who is on the list. Scholze asks what are we going to do with the Residents that are out of compliance after 30 days. Chief Schuldt states to follow the Ordinance. Scholze asks Blank what that procedure is. Blank explains the procedure according to Ordinance # 131. Scholze asks what to do next, states there are a couple residences on Main Street that haven't done a thing. Blank states that by next meeting, we will have a list of compliance and non-compliance residents to present to the Council. Blank asks the Council to look at the City Web Site for Ordinance # 131, and to familiarize themselves with its provisions.

12. Staff Correspondence:

13. Correspondence Received:

Blank reports that he has documents from SEMCAC and MAOSC asking for donations. Council directed to check prior year donations, and do the same, but limited to less than \$500.00.

14. Announcements:

Next Council Meet: July 5, 2011 @ 6:00 pm

15. Items for next Agenda:

Set Budget meetings. List of Non-Compliance residents, Buildings.

16. Adjournment:

Motion by Martell, second by Christianson at 8:20pm.