

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER  
REGULAR MEETING  
412 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Ortonville, MN  
Monday, February 1, 2016  
5:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Steve Berkner called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 P. M. Roll Call was taken with the following present: Hausauer, Sykora, Dorry, Berkner, Hasslen, Reinke. Absent: Thomas. Media: Mike Swenson (Ortonville Independent). Staff present: Char Grossman, Susan Lundell, Jason Mork, Kent Novak, Sam Berger, Andrew Buchholz. Also: Gary Dinnel, Brent Zahrbock, Vicki Bartz.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

**ADD: 10.e. Hospital Board Appointments**

**10.f. EDA Meeting Location**

**13.a. Executive Session-Water Contract Negotiations-BS City**

A motion was made by Reinke and seconded by Hausauer and passed unanimously to approve the Agenda as amended.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

Librarian Vicki Bartz reported on a possible cut in governmental funding for internet charges. She asked that a Council Member attend the next Pioneerland Library Board meeting in April to address the issue.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Berkner asked if there were any additions, corrections, or deletions to be made to the Consent Agenda.

- a. \*Approve Minutes Regular Council Meeting-01-19-16
- b. \*Approve Gambling Permit-BS Co Pheasants Forever-03-19-16-Raffle-Sioux Historic
- c. \*Approve Airport Hangar Lease-Hot Shot Aviation
- d. \*Approve Airport Hangar Lease-Todd Verheul

A motion was made by Hausauer and seconded by Reinke and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None.

**ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMITTEE MINUTES AND, WHERE NECESSARY, COUNCIL ACTION ON THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- a. Police Commission Minutes-01-19-16

A motion was made by Reinke and seconded by Sykora and passed unanimously to approve the Police Commission minutes of 01-19-16.

1. Recommendation to Hire 2 Full-Time Police Officers

A discussion was held regarding hiring 2 full-time police officers rather than 1 full-time and 2 part-time.

A motion was made by Hasslen and seconded by Hausauer to pass a Resolution hiring 1 full-time and 2 part-time police officers.

Hasslen stated before he would vote to approve hiring 2 full-time police officers he would like to see a plan for more community visibility and community involvement. Council Member Hausauer wanted an increase in police visibility at the school, the hospital and downtown if 2 full-time officers were hired. Part-time Police Officer Gary Dinnel stated there would be more chances for visibility and public interaction if 2 full-time officers were hired. Dorry stated that the Police Chief should work more staggered hours and weekends allowing part-time officers to work more preferable hours. Berkner asked that the Council consider hiring 1 full-time and 2 part-time officers but increase the part-time hours allowing for more coverage. Reinke stated that 2 full-time officers are needed to provide the public with the level of policing that the public wants. Sykora agreed. It was estimated that hiring 2 full-time officers would cost the city an additional \$16,000 vs hiring 1 full-time and 2 part-time.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: Dorry, Hasslen, Berkner. Nay: Sykora, Hausauer, Reinke. Resolution failed.

Sykora moved and Reinke seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION 16-12  
RESOLUTION HIRING TWO FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICERS**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Ortonville to hire two (2) Full-Time Police Officers.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: Hausauer, Sykora, Berkner, Reinke. Nay: Dorry, Hasslen. Motion passed.

Resolution 16-12 passed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2016.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Steve Berkner  
Mayor

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Charleen Grossman  
Clerk-Administrator

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Buchholz asked to purchase by sealed bid a used sprayer for the golf course from Giants Ridge Golf Course in Biwabik. He asked to bid up to \$1100.

A motion was made by Berkner and seconded by Hausauer and passed unanimously to authorize Golf Course Superintendent Andrew Buchholz to bid up to \$1001.00 on a used sprayer offered for sale by Giants Ridge Golf Course of Biwabik.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. \*Approve Gambling Permit-BS Co Pheasants Forever-03-19-16-Raffle-Sioux Historic (Consent)
- b. \*Approve Airport Hangar Lease-Hot Shot Aviation (Consent)
- c. \*Approve Airport Hangar Lease-Todd Verheul (Consent)
- d. Approve Amended Club House Lease Agreement-Adam Ellard-3% Green Fees-Memberships-Cart & Shed Rentals

A motion was made by Hausauer and seconded by Hasslen and passed unanimously to amend the current Golf Club House Lease Agreement with Adam Ellard to include provisions for him to collect 3% of all green fees, memberships and cart and shed rentals that are paid at the Club House after Ellard has opened for business.

- e. Hospital Board Appointments

Reinke moved and Hausauer seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION 16-13**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHELLE KNUTSON AND CHRIS CONROY TO THE ORTONVILLE AREA HOSPITAL HEALTH CARE BOARD**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Ortonville to appoint Michelle Knutson and Chris Conroy to the Ortonville Area Hospital Health Care Board for a 3 year term.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: Hausauer, Sykora, Dorry, Berkner, Hasslen, Reinke. Nay: None.

Resolution 16-13 passed this 1st day of February 2016.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Steve Berkner  
Mayor

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Charleen Grossman  
Clerk-Administrator

f. EDA Meeting Location

Council Member Sykora asked the Council to authorize the repair of the heat system in the lower level of the Senior Center so that the EDA can hold their meetings there. Clerk-Administrator Grossman will have the city crew do the necessary repairs.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Water Contract-Big Stone City  
Moved to executive session.

**CONSIDERATION OF BILLS:**

A motion was made by Reinke and seconded by Hausauer and passed unanimously to approve the bills as presented.

**NEW ACTIONS:**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

An executive session was called under the exception for attorney-client privileges. The topic to be discussed is Water Contract-Big Stone City.

Mayor Berkner closed the regular session and called an executive session to order at 6:11 P.M. Mayor Berkner closed the executive session and called the regular Council meeting back to order at 6:35 P.M.

A motion was made by Hausauer and seconded by Sykora and passed unanimously to recess the Council meeting until Thursday, February 4 at 3:00 P.M. in the Armory Meeting Room to discuss the Water Contract with Big Stone City.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The consensus was to recess the meeting 6:40 P.M.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

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Steve Berkner  
Mayor

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Charleen Grossman  
Clerk-Administrator