

**Minutes**  
August 18, 2009  
General Meeting

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Mayor Charles Neff.
  - a) Council Members present -Charles Neff, Mayor, Bob Dablow, Burl Ingebretsen, Mark Hanson and Shelley Poehls were unable to attend.
  - b) Others present- Sarah Ramsey, Clerk, Richard Schenck, Becky Nyland, Renee Wolf, Jamie Christiansen, Martin and Diane Schell, Grace Lammers, Sandy Leach, Katie noenning, Doug Butenhoff, Norm Nyland, Peggy Rezac, Carol Danilion, and Rich Hayes.
- 2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
- 3) Previous Minutes
  - a) General Meeting, 7-21-2009  
**A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve the General Meeting, 7/21/2009 minutes. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.
  - b) Special Meeting, 8-13-2009  
**A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve the Special Meeting, 8/13/2009 minutes. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.
- 4) City Attorney - Zenas Baer-was not present.
- 5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson-Hough’s fixed a manhole that settled last week. All work has now been finished on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Project. The money that has been withheld is now being requested from the contractor. Mrs. Christianson voiced her concern about her ditch. She was here at the last meeting and the problem still persists. Dan assured her that Hough is not responsible for the issues she is having.
- 6) Amendments to the agenda- Ems Vehicle discussion was moved from new business to citizens concerns.
- 7) Citizens concerns
  - a) Renee Wolf-City picnic- Renee discussed plans for the city picnic. She let the council know that there has been some vandalism done to the picnic tables in the shelter. The Rescue squad will also be bringing the rig.
  - b) Ems Vehicle-Richard gave a presentation on behalf of the Rescue Squad. There was a hand out with various reasons why they feel they need a new rig. Bob asked if we could afford the purchase. Peggy informed council about their USB funds. There was discussion about the budget which at this time is still in a pending status due to new findings by Peggy. Due to the discrepancy with the funds, Charley asked if they would be alright with depleting their funds if that was the case. The Council wanted to know how often they have simultaneous calls; Ems responded that they are getting more and more often. It was also helpful in Natural disasters such as tornados, floods, and freak accidents where more than one rig would be appropriate.  
**A MOTION** was made by Charles Neff to approve the purchase of a rescue rig for the amount of \$16,000. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

- c) Grace Lammers addressed the council about water issues. The water is brown. Martin and Diane Schell are also having the same problem. Rich is aware of the issue and will be working to get it fixed.
  - d) Diane Schell commented on her concern on the traffic and high speeds that the semi trucks are going through town. The council advised that the sheriffs department would be the best place to call for those issues.
- 8) The Treasurer's Report-
- a) Resolutions closing savings account –
- A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve the resolution closing all the accounts other than the general savings account. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.
- 9) Receipts & Disbursements
- A MOTION** was made by Burl Ingebretsen to approve receipts and disbursements. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.
- 10) Water/Sewer/Garbage Bills & Past Dues
- a) 13 past dues were sent out due on 8-18-09 a total of \$ 4,539.96
  - b) Shut off's will go out on 8-25-09 and will be up for disconnection on the <sup>th</sup>
- 11) Mayor's Minute-I (Sarah) gave a brief description on the conference I attended last week.
- 12) Roland Holm reports quarterly
- 13) Fire Department Business, Commissioner Report – Bob Dablow- Norm told council about the fire the other night. A thank you to all the firefighters who participated they did a great job getting the fire out.
- 14) EMS Business, EMS Commissioner Report – Peggy Rezac- The Rescue Squad would like to put a flyer in the utility billing. They are recruiting for new members.
- 15) Water Department - Rich Hayes, Supervisor-Nothing new to report.
- 16) Sewer Department - Norm Nyland, Supervisor- We pumped 1.5 million gallons to the lagoons this month. The lagoons are looking good.
- 17) Parks - Burl Ingebretsen
- 18) Streets – Charles Neff- Norm will be contacting Key Contracting to fix the manhole by the water treatment plant.
- 19) Recycling – Mark Hanson-nothing new to report.
- 20) Ordinances
- 21) Old Business `
- a) Community Center-we need to look at redoing the rental agreement but we will table until next meeting due
  - b) Maintenance position- The council decided
- A MOTION** was made by Charley Neff to offer the position to Aaron Mayry . It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.
- c) Hall rental
  - d) Rent for civic organizations - Charley would like to see the \$25 fee for hall rental removed for civic organizations. The only stipulation would be they would have to clean up after the meetings.

**A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve removing the \$25 dollar fee for civic organizations. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.

e) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave North-

f) Ardis (David) Rosenfeldt Land Contract-Sarah talked to Dave about a price for the contract. He would like to see it at \$40.00 per month. The council would like to counter offer him for \$50.00. Charley will draft another letter to be sent out later this week.

22) New Business

a) Temporary Liquor license-Crowbar

**A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve a temporary liquor licenses for the Crowbar for 8-21-09. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.

b) Sign for the shelter at the Park-table until next meeting.

c) Georgetown Anniversary-Charley was invited to be apart of Georgetown's parade for their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Charley would like to adopt a resolution congratulating them on 150 year.

**A MOTION** was made by Burl Ingebretsen to adopt a resolution congratulating Georgetown on 150 years. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

23) Commissioner Reports

a) Health& Weeds – Charles Neff

b) Civil Defense - Randy Schmidt-nothing new to report.

c) Planning and Zoning-Aaron Skattum- nothing new to report.

24) Adjournment

**A MOTION** was made by Burl Ingebretsen to adjourn. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sarah Ramsey, City Clerk

Approved 9/15/09