

**CITY OF LE CENTER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2013 - 7:00 PM**

**** MINUTES ****

I. CALL TO ORDER

Present: Mayor Josh Fredrickson, Councilmembers Bob Emmers, Christian Harmeyer,
Gary Meidlinger Jr., Dennis Woelfel

Absent: None

** Oath of office by City Administrator Collins to Mayor Fredrickson, Councilmembers Harmeyer, Meidlinger, and Woelfel.*

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Woelfel, to amend Minutes from December 11, 2012 Regular Council Meeting due to error. Approved unanimously.

B) Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Meidlinger, Amended Minutes from December 11, 2012 Regular Council Meeting be approved. Approved unanimously.

C) Council changes to Agenda: None

III. APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID

Council reviewed the bills to be paid. Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Harmeyer, to pay the bills listed and due. Approved unanimously.

IV. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & DEPARTMENTS

A) E.D.A. Report

New Director Collins reported: No meetings/ No report.

B) P & Z Report

Administrator Collins reported for Building Official Block: No meetings/ No report.

C) Municipal Liquor Store

Manager Mike Nelson gave the December report: Sales were \$84,366: up \$9,100 from November, and up \$4,100 from Dec. '11. Nelson also reported: TRS System hopefully up "on-line" by late February/ early March.

1) YTD 2012 Payroll was up by \$16,000 and Inventory was at \$16,500 over 2011.

2) Motion by Fredrickson, Seconded by Woelfel, to accept Liquor Committee recommendation to end Brad Collins employee probation. Approved unanimously.

D) Police Department

Police Chief Pfarr reported on the police activities for month of December: 131 calls/ 2,267 miles patrolled. Pfarr also reported: new squad radio install planned for Jan. 21st.

1) YTD report = calls were down 16%, miles were down 11%, arrests were down 11%.

E) Water, Sewer, Streets, Parks

Public Works Supt. Curt Roemhildt gave the monthly reports:

1) Well #1 plans changed due to erroneous bid given by contractor- remove the sand/ re-install same pump/ put back as-is. Save money. Water meters for North Lexington and West Tyrone streets will be replaced aggressively.

2) Year-end reports: Refuse report/ Recycling report/ Leaves disposal report/ oil recycling report. Skating rink is open and nice shape due to city staff diligence.

F) Bolton & Menk Engineering (Joel Hawbaker, Engineer)

1) 2010 Minnesota Street & Waterville Ave. Project- Hawbaker reported no date yet on the sanitary sewer repairs, but very soon.

V. PUBLIC FORUM

Nancy Stauff & Rene Greenwald from Le Sueur County Fair Assoc. spoke: Fair Board would like to use the baseball outfield this fall to install a temporary 20' X 40' tent and a large teepee showing historical facts and Native American artifacts from that period in time. No post holes would be left behind and wouldn't use the infield. Council said yes to this use at the fair; asked them to keep the fire inside teepee down to a minimum.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A) Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Woelfel, to approve the 2013 Ambulance Commission Agreement (\$33,985.00) with slight increase of \$280.00. Approved unanimously.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A) Motion by Harmeyer, Seconded by Emmers, to approve the 2013 Fire Commission Agreement (\$77,500.00) same as previous year. Approved unanimously.

B) Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Harmeyer, to approve the 2013 Le Sueur County Recycling Agreement (\$23,400.00) same as previous year. Approved unanimously.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION & MISC.

A) Motion by Woelfel, Seconded by Harmeyer, to AMEND the Le Center Sportsmen's 3.2% liquor license (dates) to include February 4, 2013. Approved unanimously.

B) Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Meidlinger, to accept the Mayoral Appointments and Official Designations of the City as written. Approved unanimously.

C) Set Council Workshop Meeting: Tuesday, January 22nd @ 7:00 pm at city hall.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion by Emmers, Seconded by Harmeyer, for Mayor Fredrickson to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously. 7:56 pm.

Chris L. Collins, Administrator, City of Le Center, MN