

**CITY OF ST. CLAIR
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Douglas Westphal at 6:05 p.m. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room of the St. Clair City Hall, 304 Main Street West, St. Clair, Minnesota. Council Members present: Mayor Westphal, Julie Spear, Mike Hughes, Jerry Phillips and Tom Karels. Council Members absent: None. City Staff present: Dennis Seys, Catherine Seys and Fire Chief Bill Fitzloff. Others present: Mark Frahm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS

The minutes of the January 12th Regular City Council meeting were approved with a motion by Phillips, seconded by Hughes and carried with all in favor.

The bills for the month of January were approved with a motion by Spear, seconded by Phillips and carried with all in favor.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Bill Fitzloff reported on the following:

1. Area mayors, clerks, Police Chiefs and Fire Chiefs are invited to attend a Radio Board meeting on Tuesday, February 9th at the Blue Earth County Justice Center.
2. Blue Earth County has submitted an application for a radio grant. No word has been received regarding grant award.
3. Two (2) openings exist on the Fire Dept. due to the resignation of Howard Tauer and Tanner Mace. The Fire Dept. will be accepting applications to fill the positions.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Dennis Seys reported that two (2) water main breaks were repaired last month. A break on Park Street South was repaired on Saturday, January 23rd and a break on the 300 block of Main Street East was repaired on Tuesday, January 26th.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk-Treasurer Catherine Seys reported on the following:

1. A Joint City Council/ School Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Clair City Hall.
2. Fire Chief Bill Fitzloff and the City Clerk Catherine Seys will attend the 800 MHz Radio meeting on Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the Blue Earth County Justice Center.
3. The City Clerk attended a South Central Safety Committee (SCSC) meeting/ training in Mapleton on Wednesday, January 20th. The training topic was a review of the AWAIR Safety Program; Slip and Fall Prevention; and Ladder Safety. The next SCSC meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 17th in Vernon Center. St. Clair will host the SCSC meeting in May.
4. A St. Clair Days meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Clair City Hall.
5. The Clerk presented a request submitted by Sheila Opsal, Community Ed Director, for Community Ed usage of Memorial Park for Summer and Fall 2010. Motion by Hughes, seconded by Phillips to approve the request. Motion carried with all in favor.
6. Donation has been received from the United Fund of Decoria – McPherson – St. Clair in the following amounts: \$400 for the St. Clair Fire Dept.; \$150 for Memorial Park.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. The Economic Development Authority (EDA) didn't meet on Monday, February 1st due to lack of a quorum.
2. Council Member Spear will attend the February School Board meeting.

3. The Blue Earth County Mayors and Clerks will meet in Good Thunder on Thursday, February 11th.

WATER PROJECT UPDATE

Public Works Supervisor Dennis Seys reported that he met with David Webb (General Construction Services and Gary Meyer (Bolton and Menk). A number of punch list items have been addressed including inside clean-up, the sanitary exhaust vent and the hydrant. Mr. Webb will arrange for a subcontractor to complete the turf restoration and landscaping this spring. Mr. Webb will also arrange for replacement of the burnt out up-lighting bulbs. Mr. Seys reported that finalizing of the project is coming together.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Spear, seconded by Hughes and carried with all in favor.

Catherine Seys, City Clerk-Treasurer