

CITY OF ST. CLAIR
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Douglas Westphal at 7:00 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, Jerry Phillips, Thomas Karels, Sr., Chris Cousins, and Jason Weinandt. Council Members absent: No Members were absent. City Staff present: Mark Krenik, Public Works Supervisor; Catherine Seys, City Clerk-Treasurer; and Bill Fitzloff, Fire Chief. Others present: Connie Johns, St. Clair School Board Liaison.

After calling the meeting to order Mayor Westphal welcomed all visitors and guests, the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BILLS

The minutes of the August 29, 2013 Regular (September) City Council Meeting, and the August 29, 2013 Special City Council Meeting (Budget/Levy), were approved with a motion by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Weinandt, and carried with all in favor. The invoices, bills, and vendor's claims for the month of September 2013 were approved with a motion by Council Member Weinandt, seconded by Council Member Phillips and carried with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS – The following Old Business items were discussed:

1. ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATV), MINI-TRUCK, AND MOTORIZED GOLF CART ORDINANCE – Clerk-Treasurer Seys is researching permit (vehicle) stickers and sticker costs. The Council plans to have the Ordinance in place by January 1, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS – The following New Business items were discussed:

1. CHANGE IN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – Due to Election Day on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, the Regular November City Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Motion made by Council Member Cousins, seconded by Council Member Karels to schedule the Regular City Council meeting for Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried with all in favor.
2. LEAF VAC OPTIONS – The City will not be pursuing any leaf vac options this year. Residents are encouraged to mulch their leaves with their lawn mower.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Bill Fitzloff reported on the following:

1. The 4th Annual Fire Dept. Pizza Fundraiser, hosted by Mitt's BP, is scheduled for Thursday, October 10th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
2. On Tuesday, October, 8th, the St. Clair Fire Dept. will host its annual Fire Prevention program for students in Kindergarten and 1st Grade. The Fire Dept. will also present the program to the children in the Early Childhood program and Follow Me Pre-School program.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Mark Krenik reported on the following:

1. The radio read water meter installation went well. A total of 338 meters were installed. The Midwest Testing crew was in town for eight (8) days (Sept. 16th to the 25th) completing installations. The Public Works Dept. installed about 100 meters prior to Midwest Testing coming to town.

CITY CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

City Clerk-Treasurer Catherine Seys reported on the following:

1. St. Clair hosted the South Central Safety Committee (SCSC) meeting and training on Thursday, October 3rd. Blue Earth County Emergency Management representatives were the guest speakers for the training. Twenty-five (25) SCSC members from the cities of Amboy, Eagle Lake, Good Thunder, Madison Lake, Mapleton, Pemberton and St. Clair were in attendance including area City Clerks/Administrators, Public Works Dept. employees and Police Dept. personnel.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. Mayor Westphal attended the September School Board meeting. The upcoming referendum renewal (Special Election) was among the items discussed.
2. Nuisance concerns were expressed regarding the St. Clair Recycled Auto Parts property. Blue Earth County Environmental Services will be contacted for their recommendations.
3. Mayor Westphal attended the Blue Earth County Mayors and Clerks meeting in Eagle Lake on September 12th, Curt Crandall was the guest speaker. The next Mayors and Clerks meeting will be held in Amboy on October 10th.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were no comments from the public during this portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Karels, seconded by Council Member Weinandt and carried with all in favor.

Catherine Seys, City Clerk-Treasurer