

DANUBE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 9, 2012 7:00 PM
Danube City Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Danube City Council was conducted on May 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gene Alex presiding.

The following Councilmembers were present: Ryan Bentley, Dave Maurice, Phil Standfuss, and Al Strunc.

Councilmembers absent: none

Others Present: Chief of Police Les Schneider, City Clerk-Treasurer Sara Wilson, and media.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Standfuss moved and Councilmember Maurice seconded a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of “Danube Historical Society building permit” under “Other Matters of Concern”. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilmember Maurice moved and Councilmember Bentley seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed below. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 11, 2012

Minutes of Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting of April 11, 2012

Approve door to bar open May 19, 2012 – graduation reception

Approve Building Permits

- 705 Oak Street – Dale Neyhart
- 205 3rd Street – Matt Larson
- 401 Maple Street; Property along Railroad – Jeff Sindelir

Employee Report – Chief of Police

Chief of Police Les Schneider was present to give his monthly employee and Police Department report. Danube Police Department statistics for the month of April were 44 calls, 23 reports, 32 traffic stops, 12 citations, 37 mutual assists and 3 home security checks.

In old business, Schneider spoke of the ETI Training he attended April 23-26 and the Severe Weather Spotter training that he and Officer Hotovec attended on April 23. Officer Krueger attended Use of Force training April 16-20. Schneider is working on a list of blighted properties that he will get to Clerk Wilson by May 15.

Schneider also reported that he received his annual Twins trading cards from The Minnesota Crime Prevention Association and he will hand them out to local kids. First Responders will have training on May 31.

Employee Report – Public Works Director

In the council packets, councilmembers received a monthly report for Public Works Director Dan Kaufenberg. The report is hereby attached.

Councilmember Maurice asked why a heater is needed in the wellhouse at the park if the water is shut off in the winter. Councilmember Strunc suggested putting in a shut off that drains back. The council thought maybe grant money could be found to put in new bathrooms at the park.

Councilmember Strunc moved and Councilmember Bentley seconded a motion to have Pump #1 rebuilt, as requested by Kaufenberg. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Maurice moved and Councilmember Standfuss seconded a motion to replace the door in well house #2, as requested by Kaufenberg. The motion carried unanimously.

The council wants Kaufenberg to call Marty's Roofing and get the leaks on the school roof fixed. They also want him to get rid of the pile of dirt at the end of 2nd Street South, check for anything blocking water flow in the drainage ditch, repair the dip on 4th Street where the gravel meets the cement and get started on annual street repairs.

Community Center Updates

The local 4H offered to take care of the flower bed in front of the Community Center.

School Building Updates

The window work is done, the overhead door has been installed and the concrete is being worked on. Discussion took place about putting the old benches back in at the school or replacing them with new ones or just not having any.

Councilmember Bentley moved and Councilmember Strunc seconded a motion to purchase two new benches to be installed in front of the school. The motion carried unanimously.

Service Contract with West Central Sanitation

Councilmember Strunc moved and Councilmember Standfuss seconded a motion to renew the service contract with West Central Sanitation. The motion carried unanimously.

Picnic Table Check Out Agreement

Clerk Wilson presented an agreement to have residents sign when they reserve and check out picnic tables. The council approved it.

Part-time Summer Maintenance

Randy Grunke accepted the part-time summer maintenance job in addition to his custodial job at the Community Center. No advertising will be done.

Approval of Bills

Councilmember Maurice moved and Councilmember Bentley seconded a motion to approve the bills as submitted in the amount of \$22,788.90. The motion carried unanimously.

CD Maturing

Councilmember Strunc moved and Councilmember Maurice seconded a motion to renew the CD coming due and any subsequent CDs. The motion carried unanimously.

Insurance Policy Annual Renewal

Councilmember Maurice reviewed the insurance policy renewal.

Water Usage at 203 6th Street

The resident at 203 6th Street believes he's paid for more water and sewer than he's used and has been keeping track of it. Kaufenberg hasn't been able to get in his house to read the meter, so the usage has been estimated. The council would like Kaufenberg to read the meter and then if he has overpaid, he can receive a credit on his utility bill.

Other Matters of Concern

Councilmember Strunc advised the council that the Danube Historical Society wants to build a gazebo at the Danube Depot and he asked that the council waive the building permit fee. The Council didn't want to do that, so Strunc paid the fee.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the council, Councilmember Bentley moved and Councilmember Standfuss seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. With all members voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Sara Wilson, City Clerk

Gene Alex, Mayor

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