

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2013

The October 15, 2013 meeting of the Lake Mills City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building Council Chambers by Council President Ed Grunden. Roll Call was answered by Steve Kurkiewicz, Ed Grunden, Diann Fritsch and Rudy Schaar. Also present were City Manager Steve Wilke, City Attorney Vickie Schmidt, City Treasurer James Heilman and City Clerk Elizabeth Milbrath.

City Council Minutes. Motion Mr. Kurkiewicz, second Mr. Schaar to approve the City Council Minutes of September 17, 2013. Motion passed 4-0.

Correspondence. City Manager received an anonymous phone call about the closing of Church Street for the Cars & Coffee event during Fall Festival. Mr. Grunden received correspondence from someone expressing concern regarding downtown and people opposed to the Fire Department offering EMS services. Mr. Kurkiewicz received correspondence in support of combining EMS & Fire. Mrs. Fritsch talked to citizens who did not know that the EMS was not a department of the city. Mr. Schaar received comments on the dust from S. Main Street and received supportive comments on combining EMS and Fire Department.

Recognition of Patience Vallier, Miss Wisconsin Teen, 2014. Council shook her hand in congratulation and pictures were taken.

Questions and Public Comment. None.

City Manager Report. City Manager Wilke mentioned two letters received from Jefferson County one requesting a letter of support for Criminal Justice Collaboration Council grant they are applying for and the other is requesting a donation for the Jefferson County Clean Sweep program. Leaf pick-up has begun and brush pick-up will be November 11th to 15th.

Committee Minutes: Minutes of the meeting of the Plan Commission, August 27, 2013; Joint Rock Lake Committee, August 6, 2013; L.D. Fargo Library, August 19, 2013; Lake Mills Police & Fire Commission, August 15, 2013; Public Works Board, September 10, 2013 and Economic Development Committee/City Council, August 26, 2013 were placed on file as presented.

Council Business:

- a. Board/Committee Appointments. Motion Mrs. Fritsch; second Mr. Kurkiewicz to confirm the appointment of Tim Sprecher to the Parks Board, Peter Lynch and Ken Schwark to the Plan Commission. Motion passed 4-0.
- b. Miscellaneous Licenses. Motion Mrs. Fritsch, second Mr. Kurkiewicz to grant the tavern operators licenses presented. Motion passed 4-0.
- c. Presentation on Industry and WPPI Energy Progress Update. Phil Hansen, WPPI Vice President of Technology and Energy Solutions distributed information to staff and council. He reviewed the information presented.
- d. Presentation/Discussion with Applicants for Vacant At-Large City Council Position. Douglas Devon and Michael Foster having submitted timely and complete Declaration of Interest for the Vacant At-Large Council position made a verbal presented to the City Council on their qualifications. One other person had submitted a Declaration of Interest and subsequently withdrew it.

- e. Appointment of At-Large City Council Representative. Mr. Schaar nominated Michael Foster for the open At-Large City Council seat. Motion Mrs. Fritsch, second Mr. Kurkiewicz to close nomination. Roll call vote 4-0 to appoint Michael Foster At-Large City Council Representative.
- f. Discussion/Decision on Tower Street Land Purchase. Motion Mr. Kurkiewicz, second Mrs. Fritsch to approve the land purchase. Motion Mr. Schaar, second Mrs. Fritsch to suspend the rules and allow Steve Homann to speak on this item. Motion passed 4-0. The property is offered for sale by his mother who no longer wishes to maintain it. Requested approval for re-grading/re-seeding and work out a land exchange of 10'. No council approval needed at this time. Public Works Board and staff recommend not to purchase. Motion failed 0-4.
- g. Resolution 13-34, Transfer Funds, Municipal Court Software Purchase. Motion Mr. Schaar, second Mrs. Fritsch to approve Resolution 13-34. Motion passed 4-0.
- h. Resolution 13-35, Joint Powers Agreement, Jefferson County 911 Emergency Service. Motion Mr. Kurkiewicz, second Mr. Schaar to approve Resolution 13-35. Motion passed 4-0.
- i. Ordinance 1115, Amending Residency Requirements, 2nd Reading. Passed to 3rd reading.
- j. Ordinance 1117, Amending Sign Regulations to Regulate Signs Applicable to Properties Abutting Interstate 94, 3rd Reading. Motion Mr. Schaar, second Mr. Kurkiewicz to Adopt Ordinance 1117. Motion passed 4-0.
- k. Ordinance 1118, 2014 General Fund Budget, 1st Reading. Passed to 2nd reading.
- l. Ordinance 1119, 2014 Capital Budget, 1st Reading. Passed to 2nd reading.

Recommendations for Future Agendas. Budget meeting on October 22nd at 6:30.

Convene into Closed Session. Motion Mr. Kurkiewicz, second Mr. Schaar to convene into closed session at 8:20 pm. Motion passed 4-0.

Adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

Elizabeth J. Milbrath
City Clerk