

City of Lake Bronson Council Minutes

July 20, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor B. Goldstrand called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were Jim Erickson, Cindy Adams, Dan Goldstrand and Verlene Hill. City employees also present were Bob Anderson and Sandra Lund. Public who were present; Darlene Brown, and Leana Kowaliuk.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Building permit for Cenex. A motion was by Adams made to approve the Cenex building permit. **M/S/P – Adams/Hill/All**

CITIZENS CONCERNS: Darlene Brown was concerned about her water bill. She stated that she should be paid up and should not have to pay the January recapture fee. The clerk will look into it, and talk to Darlene. Darlene Brown also was concerned about people speeding by her house and she thinks the city should blacktop it. Vehicles were caught rutting up the city park. Clerk will call the sheriff's department and see if the party that made the ruts can repay the city for the landscaping that is needed at the city park. Bob Anderson read a letter from a citizen with concerns about plugged culvert by her property and the mosquito spraying in town. Will ask the Fire Chief if they can blow out the culvert.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Clerk needs to fix errors in the minutes. A motion was made by D. Goldstrand to approve the June 22, 2015 minutes. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Adams/All**

OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by Adams to donate \$100.00 to the Kittson County EMS and the Tri-County EMS. **M/S/P – Adams/Hill/All.** The clerk reported that the city's water meter should be back soon. Cenex water lines were discussed and the city will help hook them up to the city water lines. The Fire Department gave the clerk copies of the F.D. meeting minutes for 2015 and each council member received copies. Stallock's Revolving Loan was discussed and the clerk stated that she talked to the USDA and the USDA suggested that the council has to weigh their options to decide if they should try to re-coop the money owed the Revolving Loan Fund. The clerk will contact George Hanson and see what he suggests the city council should do to get the money paid back. Liquor in city buildings, Adams read the City Ordinance #43 section 101.09.03 (Consumption in Public Places. No person shall consume liquor, wine, beer or 3.2 beers on any public property including, but not limited to public highways and sidewalks.) The council was in agreement that there should be no alcohol on city properties. The clerk will order signs for and place them where needed. The city clerk will send a letter to the Soo Line Railroad about Braget's ditch weeds and all along the rail road, with a copy of the city ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS: Farmer's Union auto fill and summer fill: was discussed. Council member Hill will find out how much money the city spent last winter on fuel. Anderson will check all the city tanks and see how much fuel we currently have. Zion Church fundraiser: should the city charge them for use of the community center? No charge. Clerk's Review: Notes at the end of this meeting. DNR selling property at the Lake Bronson State Park: Clerk posted the notices at the Post Office, Cenex and the Market. Water Shut-offs: The clerk reported that there we no shut off notices to be sent out this month.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Anderson reported; DR is done cleaning waste lines. DMR reports were sent in for the month. June 1st the lagoons were discharged and may need to do it again, if the rain continues. No estimates on impellers yet. Anderson will talk to Shawn in Greenbush and see what he recommends. Anderson has been to spray the Bible Camp and the council needs to set a charge for the spraying. Anderson is donating his time to spray. Council set a price of \$70.00. Anderson found no cutting blades for the grater. But the Kittson County Highway Department donated new blades to the city and Kevin Braget cut them. Anderson has not looked into a new mower yet, waiting for fall sales. Anderson went to the city compost pile and the pile is cleaned up. Anderson will ask the Fire Chief if we need a burning permit to burn the pile. Anderson would like to purchase a leaf blower to clean off the Veteran's Memorial slab. Anderson ordered and received water meter parts. Adams made a motion to purchase a leaf blower for \$150.00. **M/S/P – Adams/Erickson/All**

BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED: The clerk added RMB Environmental Laboratories for \$48.00. A motion was made by D. Goldstrand to pay the city claims. **M/S/P – D. Goldstrand/Hill/All**

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FIRE DEPARTMENT BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED: A motion was made by Adams to pay the Fire Department claims. **M/S/P – Adams/Erickson/All**

CLERK'S REVIEW: A motion was made by Erickson to increase the Clerk's by \$2.00 per hour and review the pay equity in the August City Council Meeting. **M/S/P – Erickson/D.Goldstrand/All** The clerk will look into how to figure the pay equity with Adam's . The Clerk's wages may go up upon official review of wage point scale.

LAKE BRONSON HOMES: Clerk will call the USDA to see who owns the Lake Bronson Homes. It was noted that it may have been 1976 tat the loan was given to build the Lake Bronson Homes.

ADJOURNMENT: Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **M/S/P – Adams/Hill/All** The next Council meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July20, 2015. Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm

Sandra Lund, City Clerk