

## City of Lake Bronson Council Minutes

August 17, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor B. Goldstrand called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were Jim Erickson and Dan Goldstrand. Council members absent were Adams & Hill. City employees a present were Bob Anderson and Sandy Lund. Public who were present; Darlene Brown, Leana Kowaliuk and Deputy Matt Vig.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Clerk needs to fix errors in the minutes. A motion was made by D. Goldstrand to approve the July 20, 2015 minutes. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All**

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** Clerk added a bill for the Fire Department.

**CITIZENS CONCERNS:** Darlene Brown was concerned about a little purple 4-wheeler that is speeding on her street. It was suggested that she call the police when sees it speeding again.

**OLD BUSINESS:** LB Homes was discussed and it was decided it is not the city councils concern. The subject was dropped. Stallock's loan, the clerk will once again contact a lawyer about it. A motion was made by Goldstrand to have the Farmer's Union auto fill the city propane tanks this heating season. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All.** The ruts made in the ball field last month were discussed. A motion was made by D. Goldstrand to have Deputy Matt Vig will look into having the Sherriff's office have the offending party pay restitution and contact the clerk if they can help us. If the Sherriff's office cannot help, then the clerk is to send the party a bill for one day of Anderson wages. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** North Kittson Rural Water increased the water rates. D. Goldstrand made a motion to raise the bulk water prices to \$7.00 per 1,000 gallons. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All.** The clerk explained that the computer programs she is using no longer support the Windows Vista computer that is in the office. A motion was made by Erickson to purchase a new computer for no more than \$500.00. **M/S/P –Erickson/ D.Goldstrand/All.** The water shut-offs were discussed and the clerk will look into the water policy and send letter to those who have late water bills due. A motion was made by Erickson to have an annually raise city water prices by 5%. **M/S/P – Erickson/ D.Goldstrand/All.** The clerk will get city health insurance, effective immediately. The clerk review has been postponed until a committee has been made up to do the Pay Equity the State requires. The committee will consist of C. Adams, D. Goldstrand, J. Erickson, the clerk and the maintenance man. The ditch on adjacent to Lot 9 on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. was discussed. Leana Kowaliuk wants it dug out and put in properly because she says it is flowing backwards. She stated that if the city does not fix it, her Attorney will have to handle this problem. Mayor B. Goldstrand will bring a transit and check to see if the culvert is level. (Tabled) LB School was discussed, the clerk was asked to check the book at Cenex and bill those who have used it and not paid the rental fee. 2016 Budget was discussed. The clerk is to find out when the report has to be in to the County office and will call another meeting if they need to be in before the next scheduled meeting. The mayor asked the clerk to contact the Kittson County highway department to get bars on the bike path by Eddie Anderson's house. The Mayor asked Bob Anderson if he received a letter from the MPCA, he had not, the Mayor said our permit has expired. Bob Anderson will look into this.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Anderson reported there was one water leak on South 4<sup>th</sup> at George Hurt's on his side of the shut off. It has been fixed. Bacterial samples were sent in and they are okay. Erickson helped Anderson flush Amanda Walz's culvert. September 2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson will attend water training in Warren. The culvert at the end of 1<sup>st</sup> & Kittson at the east end keeps washing away. Anderson will try to seal it with setcrete that he has in the city chop. Anderson has a concern about the algae in the ponds. Clean up after Bronson Fest was done well. Anderson will wait to burn the pit until after the first snow fall of the season. Anderson will spread gravel on some roads this month. The Bible camps bill for spraying was \$210.00. Anderson has not purchased a leaf blower yet and J. Erickson suggested he go to Stihl's dealer in Thief River Falls to purchase it. Anderson would like to take a vacation day this Friday.

**BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED & FIRE DEPARTMENT BILLS/CLAIMS TO BE AUDITED:** A motion was made by D. Goldstrand to pay all the claims. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** D. Goldstrand made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **M/S/P – D.Goldstrand/Erickson/All** The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm. The next Council meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015.