

WENTWORTH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

The Wentworth Town Council met in regular session on Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Finance Office. President Roger Vogt called the meeting to order with the following Council members present for roll call: Roger Vogt, Kory Reck, and Jim Spielmann. Also present was Trish Natwick, Finance Officer, Wayne Backus, Scott White, Leon Anderson, Loretta Wermerson, Willy LaValley, Deb Barger, Ryan Zillgitt, & Wally Moe.

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion was made by Spielmann and seconded by Reck to approve the Minutes of the June 8, 2011 Council & Public Hearing meetings as written.

OLD BUSINESS:

Scott White appeared before Council to discuss alleged damage to shrubs at the post office in 2010. Council questioned why Mr. White did not advise Council of damages at the time they occurred last year. Council voted to deny his claim.

Due to the number of resident complaints received regarding dogs running loose within the city limits, Council discussed rehiring Duane Walburg as dog catcher. Mr. Walburg will meet with the Council at the August 10th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Backus, Moe, Anderson, Zillgitt, LeValley & Barger met with Council to request an ordinance for operating golf carts on public streets. Prior to the meeting, Natwick checked with other towns to review similar ordinances. Natwick will contact Jay Leibel to discuss a proposed ordinance for the Town.

Council discussed our mowing ordinance. Residents are asked to keep their lawns mowed to be courteous to their neighbors and to help protect against West Nile disease. Homeowners will be charged if the Town has to mow their lawns.

Minutes from Council meetings will no longer be available at the Wentworth Post Office. Any resident wishing to read the minutes may view them in the Madison Daily Leader, on the window of the Finance Office or request a copy from the Finance Officer during regular business hours. Minutes will be available within seven business after the meeting. Residents may also receive the minutes by email. Resident should send their request to et@knology.net with "Request For Minutes" in the subject line. The Town's web-site is currently under construction. Residents will be able to view agendas, minutes & copies of ordinances when the web-site is back up & running.

Residents are reminded that Ordinance 2011-01 went into effect on July 1st. Please adjust your payment books to reflect the new water service fee of \$15.00 and the garbage fee of \$15.00. Residents should read their meters on the 1st. Payment is due by the 10th. All residents will be charged late fees and reading fees if payments are not received by 9:00 a.m. on the 15th. If you need a new payment book, please pick them up during normal business hours.

Council discussed the proposed addition to Ordinance 2011-01 Utility Rates, regarding garbage carts or cans, drafted by the Town's attorney.

Council reviewed June financials and July billing vouchers. Motion was made by Spielmann & seconded by Reck to approve & pay the following monthly claims as presented: Arborcare-\$300.00 Tree Removal, Storm Damage; Big Sioux Water-\$715.20 July Water Purchases; Big Sioux Water-\$1,100.00 Sewer & Water Operator Contract; Bud's Cleanup-\$816.93 Garbage Contract; Campbell Supply-\$13.68 Shop Supplies; City of Sioux Falls-\$98.42 Water Testing Fees; F&M Coop-\$730.00 Unleaded Fuel; IRS-\$398.70 Payroll Taxes; ITC-\$109.89 Phone, Fax and Internet; Madison Daily Leader-\$27.76 Publications; Madison Instant Printing-\$219.65 Utility Payment Books; Ottertail Power Company-\$367.03 Electric; Porta Pros-\$185.50 Porta Potties; Reinicke Construction-\$312.50 Gravel; SD One Call-\$3.33 Locate Fees; SD Unemployment Insurance-\$14.39 2nd Qtr UE Insurance; Timmer Supply-\$21.23 Water & Sewer Repair Parts; Wayne's Repair-\$76.50 Hydraulic Oil; Wentworth 4th of July Committee-\$300.00 USDA Rural Development-\$547.00 July Water Loan; Roger Vogt-\$141.53 June Payroll; Jim Spielmann-\$108.50 June Payroll; Kory Reck-\$684.03 June Payroll; Terry Reck-\$342.01 June Payroll; Trish Natwick-\$899.36 June Payroll; Jane Rentz-\$215.13 June Payroll.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned. The next regular session meeting will be Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Finance Office.

Trish Natwick
Finance Officer

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