

CITY OF UPSALA
Unofficial Minutes of the Upsala City Council
December 2nd, 2013

Members present: Mayor Rollie Johnson, Robert Maciej, Joan Olson, Brian Lange, Dennis Westrich. Interim Clerk/Treasurer Reva Mische.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Upsala City Hall by Mayor Rollie Johnson.

Motion made by Council Member Brian Lange and seconded by Council Member Joan Olson to accept the minutes from the November 4, 2013 Regular Council meeting. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Brian Lange and seconded by Council Member Robert Maciej to accept the minutes from the November 4, 2013 Special Meeting. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Robert Maciej and seconded by Council Member Brian Lange to accept the minutes from the November 4, 2013 Public Works Review. Motion was carried unanimously.

Guests and Presentation:

City Engineer Scott Hedlund from SEH presented the Wetland Delineation Report for 2014 Utility Improvements. The Feasibility Report for the 2014 Walnut Avenue and Hillcrest Street Improvements was reviewed and discussed further.

Department Reports:

Maintenance Report (Frank Koopmeiners)

- Water usage was down for November and sewer usage is also down for the month at 3.2 hours/day.
- Thein Well put a new pump, motor, and pipe in the #4 well.
- Frank presented the pond testing results, all tests came back well below the limit.
- Frank presented 3 bids for a new lawn mower with a recommendation to purchase a zero turn lawn mower. Motion was made by Mayor Rollie Johnson, seconded by Council Member Brian Lange to purchase a 997 John Deere zero turn lawn mower from Midwest Machine at \$4,595.

Fire Department Report (Lange)

- Minutes were presented to the council

Planning Commission (Lange)

- No minutes to report

UCDC (Olson)

- No minutes to report

Recreation Board (Johnson)

- No minutes to report

Unfinished Business:

The Council held further discussion on the 2014 Walnut Avenue and Hillcrest Street Improvement Project. A public information meeting and meeting with Developer Terry Roach were discussed.

The City's 2014 Budget was reviewed by the Council.

New Business:

The City of Upsala will hold a Christmas Lighting Contest and judging will end Friday, December 20th. Prizes will be in the form of Upsala Bucks with first place at \$100, second place at \$50, and third place at \$25. Interim City Clerk will put an advertisement for the contest in the Hometown News.

Motion made by Council Member Joan Olson and seconded by Council Member Robert Maciej to renew the Fire Fund CD at Stearns Bank for 12 months at interest rate of .50%. Motion was carried Unanimously

Motion was made by Council Member Brian Lange and seconded by Council Member Joan Olson to approve the 2014 levy at 156,000. Motion was carried unanimously.

The 2014 Fee Schedule was reviewed for final approval at the January 6th Council Meeting.
The 2014 Annual Designations and Appointments were reviewed for final approval at the January 6th Council Meeting.

Water Rates for 2014 were discussed. Motion was made by Council Member Joan Olson and seconded by Council Member Robert Maciej to increase the Reconnect Fee from \$25 to \$100. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Dennis Westrich and seconded by Council Member Robert Maciej to increase the residential metered water minimum from \$33.70 to \$35.70. Motion was carried Unanimously.

Motion was made by Mayor Rollie Johnson and seconded by Council Member Joan Olson to approve a pay increase for the Upsala Fire Fighters from \$8 an hour to \$10 an hour. Motion was carried unanimously.

Interim City Clerk/Treasurer Reva Mische notified the council that the 2014 Local Boards of Appeal is set for Monday, April 21st 2014 at 1:00 PM.

Motion was made by Council Member Brian Lange and seconded by Council Member Robert Maciej to approve liquor licenses for Bullfrogs and the Upsala Blue Jays Amateur Baseball Team. Motion was carried unanimously

Motion was made by Council Member Brian Lange and seconded by Council Member Joan Olson to approve the Upsala Lions Raffle Permit for the Upsala Area Schools Carnival in February, 2014. Motion was carried unanimously.

Financial Report:

Treasurers Report with a balance of \$119,649.66 as presented by Treasurer Adrian Welle.

Motion made by Council Member Joan Olson and seconded by Council Member Brian Lange to approve the bills in the amount of \$16,181.4 as presented by Interim Clerk/Treasurer Reva Mische. Motion carried unanimously.

Reminder to residents and Council that the next Regular scheduled council meeting will be January 6, 2014 at 7pm

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Rollie Johnson, City of Upsala Mayor

Reva Mische, City of Upsala Interim Clerk/Treasurer

