

Strawberry Point City Council
Regular Meeting March 17, 2010

The Strawberry Point City Council met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Fox presided and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members answering roll call were Jacci Meyers, Jan Parkin, Troy Stover, Rich Newman and Jackie Opperman.

Mayor Fox opened the public hearing to dispose of the Northwest Corner of Lot 7(well house behind Country Rose Café) at 6:01 PM. Mayor Fox asked for any verbal and written objections. Being none the public hearing was closed at 6:02 PM. Parkin moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 10-02. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyer, Stover, Parkin, Opperman and Newman. Nays: None. First reading passes. Council reviewed the easement between the City of Strawberry Point and Cole and Melissa Brooks. Opperman moved to approve the Easement between the City of Strawberry Point and Cole and Melissa Brooks. Newman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Opperman, Stover, Parkin, Meyers and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

Meyers moved to approve the agenda. Stover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Opperman, Stover, Meyers and Newman. Nays: None. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5) Minutes from March 3rd
- 6) Claims
- 7) Motion to approve appointment of Duane Johnson and Theresa Callahan as Ambulance Service Directors
- 8) Motion to approve liquor license renewal for St. Foods & Deli
- 9) Motion to approve liquor license renewal for Country Rose Cafe

Newman moved to approve the consent agenda. Meyers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Parkin, Opperman, Newman, Meyers and Stover. Nays: None. Consent agenda passes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
INFORMATION**

The council received Tree Board Minutes from February 8, 2010, information from Black Hills Energy, February month-end financial reports, and Strawberry Point Library Board minutes from January 25, 2010. Council also received information concerning a car wash fundraiser for the Starmont Speech team to be held at the Fire Station and information regarding a dunk tank at the Relay for Life and that one member of City Government is requested to participate. They also received information about a DOT Public Meeting regarding Elkader Street construction to be held May 12, 2010 and a reminder about the Hazard Mitigation meetings that will be held March 24 and 31 at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

It had been discussed reconstructing Prospect Street this summer. The cost estimate came in much higher than what we had budgeted for this. Since we will need to borrow funds to do Elkader Street in two years, we don't want to borrow more money for this project. If we set aside money left from this fiscal year and the money budgeted next year and then budget money next summer we will have enough to pay for the street without borrowing money. Parkin moved that we delay the Prospect Street road project and re-examine this next year. Meyers seconded

the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Meyers, Newman, Opperman, Parkin, Stover. Nays: None. Motion passes.

The Wilder Museum Board wanted some direction on handling large repairs, such as furnace repair or other building and grounds issues. An assessment of the building should be completed. Agreements concerning the Wilder Museum should be found to see what has been documented regarding this. A lease type agreement will be drawn up specifically designating what the City is responsible for and what is expected of the Museum Board. This will be ready for the next regular council meeting.

The Council reviewed Resolution No. 10-06 A Resolution Establishing the City of Strawberry Point Early Retirement Policy. The City currently does not have this type of policy. Some revisions need to be done to this policy and it will be ready for next meeting.

Mark Zwanziger from Fliehler-Zwanziger Insurance was present to discuss the insurance renewals for 2010. The total package increased slightly from last year due to the purchase of a new ambulance and fire truck and increased building valuations.

OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business, Opperman moved to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Meyers seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Deanna Dement, City Clerk

Dale Fox, Mayor