

## **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 4, 2012 GOOD THUNDER CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Robert Anderson called the June 4, 2012, meeting of the Good Thunder city council to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting convened in council chambers located at 130 Ewing Street, Good Thunder, Minnesota. All council members were in attendance. Others in attendance were; City Maintenance, Jerry Birr; Police Chief, Jeffrey Marx; Clerk-Treasurer; Cheryl Barnard.

Councilor Russ Brase made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and distributed. Councilor Tom Froehlich seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Arlen Ostermann made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2012 city council meeting. Councilor Russ Brase seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Sarah Karels made a motion approving the street department time sheets for the payroll periods of 4-28-12 thru 5-12-12; and 5-12- thru 5-26-12. Councilor Arlen Ostermann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Robert Anderson, Jeff Dale of Minnesota Rural Water, and city maintenance Jerry Birr located a valve northeast of the water tower. Mayor Anderson explained that the line also "dead ends" there. Jerry Birr, City Maintenance, informed the council that there are several gate valves which cannot be opened. Discussion followed regarding the cost of a specific tool which would open gate valves. Clerk-Treasurer, Cheryl Barnard, informed the council that she had attended a meeting in the city of Mapleton, last year, in which such a tool was demonstrated. The council was informed, at that time, of what functions this tool could provide the city and the cost. She will contact the company and see if they would demonstrate the operation of this tool in the city. If such a demonstration is available, council members would be contacted to preview the demonstration if they are available.

Mayor Anderson questioned if anyone had been given information, from the city engineer, regarding upgrade of the well house as previously discussed at a council meeting. No had been contacted.

Councilor Tom Froehlich made a motion approving Zoning Permit GT-12-24, Hubbell Street, 4' fence, side steps and patio. Councilor Arlen Ostermann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Froehlich informed the council that he has observed the gate, at the lagoon, has been open on several occasions. This gate is to be closed at all times. If a council member notices it is open to close the gate.

Fire Chief, Tom Froehlich, informed the council that the department responded to three (3) medical calls and one (1) hazardous material call during the month of May 2012. The fire department will be trained on the new radio system on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Police Chief, Jeffrey Marx, informed the council that there were forty-one (41) calls for service during the month of May 2012. Clerk-Treasurer Barnard presented a thank-you letter that was addressed to the council regarding the assistance Police Chief Marx gave to a member of their family. His service was deeply appreciated.

Councilor Sarah Karels made a motion approving the part time police officer's time sheets for the month of May 2012. Councilor Tom Froehlich seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Arlen Ostermann made a motion approving the bills as presented and distributed. Councilor Tom Froehlich seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Karels informed the council that the border has been ordered for Thunder Valley Park. Mayor Anderson stated that he has a skid loader that can be used in the unloading of this material.

Peterson Mowing contract was again discussed as well as discussion of the city purchasing a mower that could be used in mowing areas such as around the ponds located at the lagoon.

Councilor Arlen Ostermann made a motion that the city contract with Peterson Mowing to mow Hiller Drive as was done in past years. Councilor Tom Froehlich seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Tom Froehlich made a motion that the council states the Pledge of Allegiance before the beginning of council meetings. Councilor Sarah Karels seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Arlen Ostermann made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 8:20 p.m. Councilor Russ Brase seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Cheryl A. Barnard  
Clerk-Treasurer