

Fertile City Council Minutes July 13, 2009

The Fertile City Council held its regular meeting on Monday, July 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Present were: Mayor Brian Nephew; Council members Dennis Hasler and Dan Gisvold. Council members Thorson and Wise were not present.

Barry Robertson began by delivering his report on Fair Meadow Nursing Home. For June, the facility operated at 100% capacity, served some 427 home-delivered meals and 51 days of adult day care.

There was some concern expressed over potential revenue cutbacks through state and federal programs helping to fund the nursing home.

Kevin Nephew, Public Works Supervisor, then made his report. He stated that the airport runway had cracks that needed filling and that he had received an estimate of \$9000 to do the work. There was discussion of having materials and equipment on hand and possibly hiring several people to help with the work. No action will be taken until after the sewer project.

There was also discussion of weed eradication at the industrial park. Mayor Brian Nephew stressed that any spraying should be done in the next several weeks to prevent any weeds going to seed.

The sewer project in Olmscheid's addition was slated to begin in late July or early August.

Council member Gisvold, seconded by Council member Hasler, then moved to approve the minutes of the June 8th Council meeting. The motion was carried.

Council member Gisvold, seconded by Council member Hasler, then moved to approve the Treasurer's report and Bills. The motion was carried.

John Frohrip then relayed to the Council four items that need more effort in the City Code preparation. The items for consideration were:

1. Two sections added to Water Rates and Billing regarding charges for estimating meter readings and subsequent charges for City personnel to read meters.
2. Parking rules and regulations, particularly regarding semi parking in residential areas.
3. Keeping in the Code provisions regarding sanitation; mainly those parts dealing with refuse containers.
4. Certain parts of the Code in regard to liquor licensing – perhaps adding one hour for operation.

The Council did not take any actions as two members were absent, but did express concern over the possibility of moving closing back one hour.

The audit was presented to the City Council by John Frohrip, as the Eide Bailly representative was not at the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Brian Nephew, Mayor

John J. Frohrip, City Administrator