

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 10th, 2015

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 10th day of March, 2015.

Council present: Mark Anderson, Gail Anderson, Paul Kirtz, Barry Kurtz, and Peter Schmitz.

Council absent: None.

Mayor Mark Anderson presided at the meeting.

Kim Hillberg of CliftonLarsonAllen was present to review the annual city audit report for 2014. Kim stated that the 2014 expenditures were in line with the 2014 budget. Kim reported that no significant adjustments were required to the 2014 financial statement during the audit. A clean opinion was received on legal compliances. Kim reminded the council that averages of 50% of one year's expenses need to be in city reserves, the City of Adams currently has 69% in reserves. Kim reviewed the financial reporting requirements that are listed in the grant received by the Mower County Trail Committee. The City of Adams is the sponsor of the Mower County Trail Committee. Kim advised the Council that the grant documents require full accrued accounting principles. Smaller cities use a modified accounting system. Kim stated that converting to a full accrued system would be expensive for the City, and involve a more expensive audit.

Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Kirtz, to approve the February 10th, 2015 minutes with one correction. In an addition to the annual financial audit discussion, Mayor Anderson reported that he requested a letter from CliftonLarsonAllen explaining the audit requirements of the grant received by the Mower County Trail Committee. Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Kirtz to approve the minutes as corrected. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

Michael Gehrke presented the February, 2015 police report. The report lists 1 State citation, 1 City citation, 2 warning tickets, and 1 ambulance assist. Chief Gehrke requested permission to purchase a new radar unit for the Ford squad car. Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by G. Anderson to approve the purchase of a new radar unit for the Ford squad car. The expense will come out of the Police Equipment fund. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

Fire Chief Craig Schaefer reviewed changes the Fire Department would like to make to the City's ordinance pertaining to fire service fees. The new Ordinance would set fire service rates at a minimum of \$750.00, and allow the Department to charge an hourly fee for service calls over 2 ½ hours. Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve Ordinance #181, an Ordinance establishing fees for emergency protection fire services. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

Ginger Holm addressed the City Council with a request to help sponsor a signature page in the Monitor Review for Southland High School. Motion made G. Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to authorize up to \$20.00 per month for the City's sponsorship of a signature page for Southland High School in the Monitor Review.

The bills payable were reviewed.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Kurtz, to approve payment of bills as submitted. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

The city clerk presented the January 31st, 2015 financial statements. Motion made by Schmitz, seconded by G. Anderson, to approve the financial statement as presented. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

The Prairie Visions report was presented by Barry Kurtz. The meeting was held at the LeRoy Community Center. Several members attended the annual Parks & Trails Day on the Hill in St. Paul. Gerald Meier reported that Ken Hartwig is building the Norwegian Hill rest area modeled like a country church. Bids for the trail segment to Austin will be in May and the Shooting Star Trail is to be finished this year by fall season. The annual Shooting Star Trail bike ride is set for June 27, 2015 with the trailhead located at LeRoy.

Council member Paul Kirtz updated the City Council on the search for a replacement snow plow truck. The City Council budgeted \$41,000.00 for a plow truck. The maintenance department has looked at

two different trucks that would be available in June. No decision was made at this meeting as to purchasing either truck.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer updated the City Council on the Highway 56 street project. A memorandum was received from City Engineer, Andy Brandel requesting the City Council adopt a resolution of participation with MnDot for reconstruction of 4 blocks of Hwy 56. Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by G. Anderson to approve Resolution #04-2015, a resolution of participation with MnDot for reconstruction of 4 blocks of Hwy 56 through Adams. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Schmitz, to adjourn. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, Kurtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jim Kiefer

Clerk/ Treasurer