**City of Green Isle**

**City Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 12th, 2015 (7 pm)**

**City Office Council Chambers**

**Call the City Council meeting to order** Vice Mayor Wentzlaff called the meeting to order at 7 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Members present** Wentzlaff, Schauer, Harms, Mayor ZumBerge

**Council Members absent** Oelfke

**Staff present** Clerk Panning

**Others Present** Chris Larson, Bryan Petzel (ISG), Kris Winkelman (Lions), Sharon Ehrich, (resident) Ross Arneson (City Attorney)

**Public Comment Period** none

**Approval of the Agenda** Clerk Panning & Council Member asked to be added

**Motion made by Mayor ZumBerge & seconded by Wentzlaff to approve the Agenda with additions. Motion carried 4/0.**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of the minutes from the April 28th meeting**
2. **Approvel of the claims for 5-12-15 totalling $24,918.**

**Motion made by Mayor ZumBerge & seconded by Schauer**

**to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 4/0.**

**City Attorney Arneson** Attorney Arneson advised the Council that he has contacted the Sheriff’s Dept. and asked them to now issue citations to the property owners who have yet to comply with the City ordinances re: clean up, etc. He stated that the fine would be $50.00 per ordinance violation. Arneson is going to follow up to see what progress the Sheriff’s Dept. has made.

**Kris Winkelman (Lions)** Kris stated that the Lions would like to donate $4,800.00 to the City for improvements to the Park. A Park Board meeting will be called and John Schauer will look into the cost of installing a water heater and also check into the possibility of residing the building. Harms did mention that the City did put in a new basketball court. I&S and Harms are going to check into possible help in the writing/requesting of grants for the playground equipment.

**Chris (ISG)** Chris asked where the City stood on the Fiber project as it relates to the installation of their equipment on the City tower. ZumBerge said that the City approved the installation without the use of our City Eng. For inspection. Chris also brought up the I&I problem and was wondering where the City now stood. Panning said that Joe Dacey did check all the homes to see if they had a sump pump and if so, was it hooked up properly. Panning did say that his home was televised and found to have what appears to be an outside tile draining into the sewer line. He also said that he is waiting for Mathews to suggest some other properties that may well be hooked up the same way as his. Panning will contact Mathews and advise that if he cannot provide a list of property owners that the City will have to look elsewhere.

**Letters re: clean up to properties** was discussed earlier

**Progress on City office handicap work** Panning advised that the USDA is hounding him wondering when the work to make the City office handicap assessible. Wentzlaff said that he would come and look at the steps and sidewalk tomorrow and begin the project shortly.

**Progress on curb & alley work** Panning said that Mueller & Sons did complete the alley behind the Fire Station but nothing has been done to the other alley and the curbs.

**Council—Other Matters** ZumBerge advised the Council that the Community school is in serious financial trouble. He stated that a contribution of $50,000 by the City to the school for 2016 may be necessary to keeping the school open for 2016. ZumBerge stated that he and Clerk Panning looked at areas of the budget that could be cut and redirected to the school. ZumBerge stated that if the school does close that the City would then be responsible for the entire Bond payment plus all other expenses.

**Motion made by ZumBerge & seconded by Schauer to contribute $50,000.00 to the school in 2016 only at this time. Motion carried 4/0.**

Council Member Harms said that he has been contacted by many residents wondering why the baseball field was being watered during the heat of the day.

Clerk Panning said that he would ask Joe Kreger that question and advise the Council at the next meeting.

Clerk Panning advised the Council that Sibley East will have 175 senior high students available to help the cities in the school district with any projects they may have. They would be adult supervised and would sign an injury waiver. Panning said that he had some ideas for some painting at the Lions Park and also maybe to have some weeds weed whacked throughout town. The Council told Panning to proceed with the project.

Wentzlaff asked the Council what timeline was given Dusty Kroells on the upgrading of his building and to remove the old fuel truck. Wentzlaff said the minutes stated June 01, 2015. Panning said that he would check the minutes but if he put in June 01 it was a mistake and should be July 01, 2015. Panning will check and advise.

**Motion made by Wentzlaff & seconded by Harms to adjourn at 8:22 pm. Motion carried 4/0.**

 **ATTEST**

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**Mayor ZumBerge Clerk Panning**