

The meeting was called to order by Ald. Liebenow at 6:38 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Voss, Nitschke, Liebenow, Sabel, Hoy, McKinnon (arrived at 6:45)

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Heron, Ald. Sabel, Ald. McKinnon, Ald. Hoy, Kathie Wild, Shelley Eilbes, Bill Linzenmeyer, Chris MacNeill, John Hennig, Sally Kahlhamer, Brian Paynter, Dave Pasbrig, Bob Smith, Sue Smith, Brian Wendorff, Chuck Brockhaus, Tom Herman, Karen Christianson, Jerry Koepp, Jerry Moede

Item #2 – Approve the Minutes of the February 19, 2008 meeting.

Motion by Ald. Nitschke, second by Ald. Voss to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Citizen Comments.

Chuck Brockhaus complemented the three alderpersons on all their hard work on the golf course contract. There was great communication in the golf course contract meetings between both parties. He expressed his disappointment with the chairperson's statement of not allowing anyone from the galley to make comments during the meeting.

Dottie Hoy announced that Congressman Tom Petri will be here at City Hall on March 25th from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. She encouraged people to come and talk to him.

Item #4 – Treasurer's Report.

A. Finance Report Update.

Shelley handed out the general fund, tag center fund, and golf course fund reports for period ended February 29th. The utility auditors were here this Monday and Tuesday and the city audit will be next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

B. Discuss and Finalize Payout Dispute for Police Captain.

Shelley explained that this was put on the agenda in response to Ald. Voss's letter regarding Captain Poellot's final check. Shelley read Section 4.2 of the non-union employee handbook. She explained that Captain Poellot's training was not college training therefore this section of the handbook did not apply. Chief Linzenmeyer explained that Captain Poellot's training for the 10 week FBI Academy and the staff and command training was approved. The staff and command was 60% funded by grants and the rest was funded through the training fund. The FBI academy was fully funded by the government excluding some gas and incidentals. Chief Linzenmeyer explained that our goal is to train our people. He explained that Captain Poellot left with 511 hours of comp time that he never asked for compensation for. The Chief explained that he would like this to be put to rest and for this not to discourage non-union employees to better themselves. Ald. Voss didn't think it was right that taxpayers had to pay for Poellot's salary for him to attend 23 weeks of training. The Mayor reported that the council is the guardians of taxpayer's money. This did amount to a sizable amount of money. It may be a good idea to redefine that section in the non-union handbook to address this issue. The Chief agreed that we should revisit the language of that section in the handbook. The Mayor recommended that Ald. Voss look into rewording that part of the handbook.

Item #5 - Golf Course Update.

Nothing to Report.

Item #6 – Discuss/Approve Mayville EMS Department 2008 Fundraisers.

John Hennig reviewed the brat fry fundraising event they want to have at the Piggly Wiggly in the first weekend in April. The money raised will be used to buy new equipment. Motion by Ald. Sabel, second by Ald. Nitschke to approve the Mayville EMS Department 2008 fundraisers. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #7 – Discuss Updated Golf Course Management Contract.

Ald. Liebenow wanted to know if we could do a lease of the golf course. Karen Christianson, the city attorney explained that we can't borrow funds for anything other than the public purpose. The rules of the bonds don't allow the property to be leased. Bond counsel has stated since the bonds are tax exempt leasing the property isn't allowed. Ald. Liebenow had questions on Section #4 Scope of Management Contract part of the contract. He is concerned that the city is going to be responsible for all the high dollar maintenance repairs. He questioned whether the contract will be reworded after the five years are up and the bonds will be paid off. Ald. McKinnon expressed that he feels the golf club can handle the payments. The golf club board wants to succeed. They don't want to come back to the city and ask them for money. They currently are running the club right now. The city is handling the maintenance right now in the current contract therefore they are just putting it into words in this contract. The major concern of the golf course is that they don't have any borrowing power because they don't own anything. Karen Christianson expressed that there was an honest attempt to make a workable agreement. There needs to be continual communications between the golf club board and the council. Karen reviewed some highlights/changes of the contract. There was some rewording of the last sentence of section #9 Debt Repayment that was discussed. This sentence will be updated in the final version of the contract. Ald. Liebenow and Ald. Sabel both expressed their concerns for safe guarding the citizens of Mayville. Ald. Voss expressed that the golf board keeps a tight ship on all the finances and they are constantly analyzing their data. The Mayor expressed that the golf club is already running the course and the contract just gives direction. He feels people are ready for resolution and feels this is an instrument of trust. He trusts the golf board to run the course. There was discussion as to when the next meeting would be to approve the contract. Ald. Voss stated he would like the current council to still be able to vote on the contract. A special finance meeting of the whole was scheduled at 6:30 before the April 14th council meeting to vote on the contract and to send it to the April 14th council meeting for approval.

Item #8 –Adjournment

Motion by Sabel, second by Nitschke to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathie Wild, City Clerk