



The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, September 29, 2014, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Mark Simmons, Mike Thorstad, Duane Hanson and Mark Wentz. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the Order of Agenda. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to approve the Minutes of September 15, 2014. No opposition. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed Building Permits #666 - 760, and the Building Department Activity Reports dated September 15 and September 29, 2014.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports.

Commissioner Mattern announced that City Administrator Jim Brownlee received the North Dakota Employee of the Year award by the North Dakota League of Cities.

Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Bills

Resolution Approving Contract and Contractor's Bond in Street Improvement District No. 2232

Public Hearing October 20, 2014 at 5:45 PM and order background check for New Liquor License Application for Pub West at 3140 Bluestem Drive, West Fargo, ND

Public Hearing October 20, 2014 at 5:45 PM and order background check for New Liquor License Application for Ole & Lena's Pizzeria at 3330 Sheyenne Street, West Fargo, ND

No opposition. Motion carried.

Senior Planner Tim Solberg appeared before the Commission on North Pond at the Preserve 6th Addition rezoning from Agricultural and Public Facilities to Commercial Office Park and the Land Use Plan Amendment from Low Density Residential to Office Park and advised that at their Special Meeting on September 22, 2014, the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Land Use Plan Amendment and the rezoning. A public hearing was held. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to approve the Land Use Plan Amendment and place Ordinance No. 1018 on First Reading for the rezoning of North Pond at the Preserve 6<sup>th</sup> Addition from Agricultural and Public Facilities to Commercial Office Park subject to the conditions listed in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Administrator James Brownlee gave the following report:

Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Candidate Forum for District 13 candidates on October 16, 2014 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Building Update: Progress was made last week and the contractor and architect will be present at the next meeting to review a timeline and answer questions

A retirement lunch for City Assessor Wanda Wilcox will be held at City Hall from Noon to 1:00 PM tomorrow, September 30, 2014

Police Department received a COPS Grant. Police Chief Michael Reitan appeared before the Commission and advised that the Police Department had

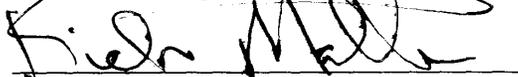
received funds of \$125,000 over three years for three new officers for a total of \$375,000.

Department of Transportation bid opening for Main Avenue has been postponed from November 2014 to February 2015 (need to bid on a new culvert for the project and 2014 funding is not available). West Fargo will be first on priority list in 2015 and City Administrator Jim Brownlee will be requesting a letter from the DOT stating that West Fargo will be first on the priority list.

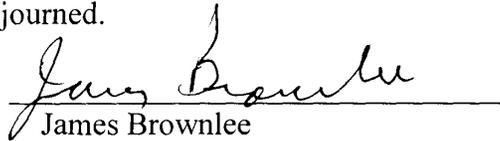
Director of Economic Development and Community Services Matt Marshall appeared before the Commission on a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) Application submitted by Bullinger Enterprises to build a 42,000 square foot office building at the site address of 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street East, West Fargo. The tenant for the office building would be NOKIA. A Public Hearing was held. Attorney Dan Bueide of the Vogel Law Firm appeared as owner's representative for Rusty Goose Development. The hearing was closed. After discussion, Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the PILOT application as recommended by Staff. No opposition. Motion carried.

There was no correspondence.

Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.



Rich Mattern  
President of the Board



James Brownlee  
City Auditor