



Jim Brownlee, CPA, City Administrator
Sharon Schacher, City Finance Director
Dorinda Anderson, Business Development Director

The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, March 5, 2007, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Brenda Warren, Bryan Schulz, Lou Bennett and Mark Simmons. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Mattern advised that item #b of the Consent Agenda, "Games of Chance for Ron Cody Benefit" is to be removed from the Consent Agenda, Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4038 (McMahon's 2nd, 3rd and 4th Additions) to create revised Assessment District is to be added to the Consent Agenda, the March 2, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes are to be added to the Approval of Minutes and the Emerald Ash Borer is to be discussed under Non-Agenda. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Warren seconded to approve the Order of Agenda with the changes as noted. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Warren seconded to approve the Minutes of February 19, 2007, and the Special Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2007. No opposition. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed Building Permits #34 - 43 along with the Building Department Activity Report dated March 5, 2007, and the Building Department Monthly Comparison Report for February 2006 and February 2007.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports.

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

Bills

Request from Ducks Unlimited, Inc. for a Gaming Site Authorization at Speedway, 680 Main Avenue, West Fargo, ND

Transfer of Liquor License at Town Hall Bar to Greg & Betty Peterson, B & G Beverages, Inc. DBA Town Hall Bar

Public Hearing March 19, 2007 at 5:45 PM for rezoning of Charleswood 24th Addition from Single Family Dwellings to Planned Unit Development

Sewer and Water Improvement District No. 1203 (Butler's 4th Addition – Phase II) – approve Plans and Specifications and authorize Advertisement for Bids with bid opening on March 22, 2007

Water Improvement District No. 1202 (32nd Avenue East – Sheyenne Street to 9th Street East) – approve Engineer's Report and authorize Plans and Specifications

Approval of Transportation Advisory Committee's recommendations

Budget Amendments for 2006

Storm Sewer Improvement District No. 4038 (McMahon's 2nd, 3rd and 4th Additions) –approve revised Assessment District and adopt Resolution

No opposition. Motion carried.

City Attorney Brian Neugebauer appeared before the City Commission on Ordinance No. 796 relating to Fees Assessed for False Alarms. Police Chief Arland Rasmussen also appeared before the Commission. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Warren seconded to place Ordinance No. 796 on First Reading. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Attorney Brian Neugebauer appeared before the Commission on the Resolution of Necessity and Resolution of Offer to Purchase for Water and Sewer Improvement District No. 1185. After discussion, Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to adopt the Resolution of Necessity and Resolution of Offer to Purchase. No opposition. Motion carried.

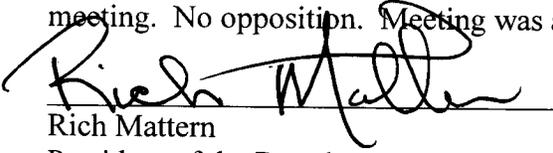
City Assessor Wanda Wilcox appeared before the Commission on a request from Deb and Malory Olson at 1526 Sheyenne Street for a five year residential remodeling exemption on this property. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to approve the five year residential remodeling exemption. No opposition. Motion carried.

Business Development Director Dorinda Anderson appeared before Commission on the Exemptions/PILOTS for West Fargo businesses. Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to allow the following businesses to continue their exemption at 100% for 2007: Bobcat Company, Tri-State Auction, Weisgram Properties, LLP, Red River Fabricating, DMI Industries and Stockman's Supply. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Lou Bennett and City Forester Yvette Gehrke reviewed the Emerald Ash Borer threat to ash trees in the City of West Fargo and the potential cost to the City.

There was no correspondence.

Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.


Rich Mattern
President of the Board


James Brownlee
City Auditor