



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

The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, January 7, 2008, 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 the scheduling of a Public Hearing at 5:45 PM January 21, 2008, for the Application for Retail Liquor/Beer License for Three Lyons Public House at 745 13th Avenue East and referring the application to the West Fargo Police Department for a background check is to be added to the Consent Agenda, and Item No. 2 of the Regular Agenda, Recording City Commission Meetings, is to be moved to the last item of discussion on the Regular Agenda. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Simmons 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 December 17, 2007. No opposition. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed Building Permits #765 - 769 along with the Building Department Activity Report dated January 7, 2008, the Building Department Monthly Comparison Report for December 2006/December 2007 and the Building Permit Valuation Report for 2006 Valuation/2007 Valuation.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports

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

Bills

Return of Assessment for Sidewalk District No. 6004

Rescheduled Public Hearing to January 21, 2008, at 5:45 PM for Amendments to the West Fargo Zoning Ordinance regarding Sign Regulations

Public Hearing 5:45 PM January 21, 2008, for the Application for Retail Liquor/Beer License for Three Lyons Public House at 745 13th Avenue East and refer the application to the West Fargo Police Department for a background check.

No opposition. Motion carried.

City Auditor Jim Brownlee appeared before the Commission with the 2008 West Fargo/Cass County Mosquito Control Agreement. A discussion was held on the increased costs due to the larvicide treatments. After discussion, Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to authorize the Mayor to enter into the 2008 agreement. No opposition. Motion carried.

Police Chief Arland Rasmussen appeared before the Commission on the classification adjustments for the Police Clerk positions. Finance Director Sharon Schacher also appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the recommended five employees and to approve the proposed pay scale grade and salaries as recommended by Police Chief Arland Rasmussen. No opposition. Motion carried.

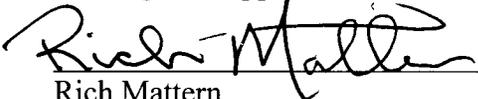
Police Chief Arland Rasmussen appeared before the Commission to recommend that Captain Michael Reitan's title be changed from Captain to Assistant Chief. Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded that the title of Assistant Chief be utilized within the West Fargo Police Department and that the title be given to Michael Reitan. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Simmons suggested that the City Commission Meetings be recorded. City Auditor Jim Brownlee appeared before the Commission. After discussion on both sound recording and video recording, City Auditor Jim Brownlee agreed to get cost estimates and report back to the City Commission.

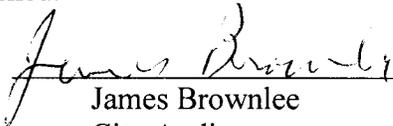
There were no Non-Agenda items.

There was no Correspondence.

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



Rich Mattern
President of the Board



James Brownlee
City Auditor