

The minutes of the Fairmont City Council meeting held on April 27, 2015 at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Randy Quiring called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Council Members Terry Anderson, Chad Askeland, Wes Clerc, Bruce Peters and Jim Zarling were present. Also in attendance: City Administrator Mike Humpal, City Attorney Elizabeth W. Bloomquist, Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers, Finance Director Paul Hoye, Detective James Kotewa and City Clerk Patricia Monsen.

It was moved by Council Member Peters, seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 13, 2015.

During open discussion, Vicky Schulte of 313 S. Prairie Avenue addressed the Council. Ms. Schulte is concerned that the citizens of Fairmont do not think that the City is supporting the 1590 Project. Steve Hawkins, representative of Project 1590, stated that he has also heard these types of comments, but stated that the 1590 members advise these people that the City is currently their biggest supporter.

Council Member Anderson voiced his concerns about the low water levels in the lakes. Nemmers and Humpal advised that the City has plans in place if and when it is necessary to invoke the essential water use regulations. Humpal advised that the City is in the process of asking the DNR for larger appropriations for well usage.

Council Member Askeland asked if the City still has rain barrels for sale. Humpal advised that yes, the rain barrels are still available.

Mayor Quiring reminded citizens to not mow grass clippings into the street, as they go directly into our lakes.

Mayor Quiring read a proclamation proclaiming the month of May, 2015 as Building Safety Month in the City of Fairmont.

Mayor Quiring read a proclamation proclaiming May 5, 2015 as National Teacher Day in the City of Fairmont. Joe Brown, School Superintendent, spoke thanking the teachers and the City for their support.

Mayor Quiring read a proclamation proclaiming the month of April as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month in the City of Fairmont.

Steve Hawkins and Hannah Rybak, representatives from Project 1590, gave an update about the project and invited citizens to the "Big Reveal" which will take place at the Holiday Inn on May 14th at 6:30 p.m. It is their hope that by June, 2015, projects will be underway.

Mayor Quiring left the Council meeting at 5:50 p.m. and Mayor Pro-tem Clerc presided over the meeting.

Mayor Pro-tem Clerc opened the public hearing to adopt **Resolution 2015-12** enlarging Development District 1 and approving the Amended Development Program establishing Tax

Increment Financing District No. 25 and approving the Tax Increment Financing Plan and authorizing execution of a Development Agreement. There was no citizen input at the hearing. Council Member Askeland made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion and the motion carried. Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve **Resolution 2015-12**. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Askeland, Clerc, Peters, Zarling and Anderson all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Pro-tem Clerc declared said motion passed.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the renewal of a 3.2% on-sale beer license for the Fairmont Raceway for a limited term of May 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015. Council Member Peters seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Zarling made a motion to approve Option A to be used for the City Administrator's evaluation process. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Peters made a motion to approve the Fourth Amendment to the Equipment Location Lease with AT&T. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Council Member Peters made a motion to pay the bills for the month of April, 2015 in the amount of \$882,554.31. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Council Member Zarling, seconded by Council Member Askeland and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Randy J. Quiring
Mayor

Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk