The minutes of the Fairmont City Council meeting held on July 14, 2014, at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Randy J. Quiring called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council Members Terry Anderson, Chad Askeland, Joe Kallemeyn and Darin Rahm were present. Council Member Wes Clerc arrived at 6:10 p.m. Also in attendance: City Administrator Mike Humpal, City Attorney Elizabeth W. Bloomquist, Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers, Police Chief Greg Brolsma, Finance Director Paul Hoye and City Clerk Patricia Monsen.

It was moved by Council Member Kallemeyn, seconded by Council Member Rahm and carried to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 23, 2014.

There was no open discussion.

Tim Penny, President/CEO of Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation presented an annual review of the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation's activities and requested financial support for 2015.

Council Member Kallemeyn made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2014-17** approving an Off-site gambling permit for the Fairmont Youth Hockey Association. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Askeland, Kallemeyn, Rahm and Anderson all voted aye. The motion passed.

The Truman Fire Department Relief Association applied for a temporary beer license for the Martin County Fair, August 12 – 17, 2014. Council Member Kallemeyn made a motion to approve the license. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Kallemeyn to direct staff to draft a letter to the Minnesota Department of Revenue opposing a waiver to pay back two years JOBZ benefits requested by US Foods. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Property along Albion Avenue across from Serenades went back to the state for nonpayment of taxes and assessments. Once the state takes control, the assessments are eliminated. If the property is sold by the state or the county, the city has the right to re-assess. A motion was made by Council Member Rahm, seconded by Council Member Askeland to not re-assess the outstanding assessments. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson to approve the Third Amendment to the Equipment Location Lease between the City of Fairmont and AT&T. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Nemmers gave a summary report of the 2014 curbside clean-up project. The Council all agreed that the project was very costly and that staff should look at alternatives for future projects.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to authorize staff to contract with Bolton & Menk to complete a preliminary study of the drainage issues in the Martin Park neighborhood. Council Member Rahm seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Members Rahm and Askeland gave a summary of the City Administrator's performance evaluation which was conducted in closed session on June 23, 2014.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to separate the positions of City Administrator and Community Development/Economic Development Director by January 1, 2015. Council Member Clerc seconded the motion. Council Members Clerc, Anderson, Askeland and Rahm all voted aye. Council Member Kallemeyn voted nay. The motion passed.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to go into closed session to discuss the Five Lakes Aviation litigation. Council Member Clerc seconded the motion and the motion carried. The City Council went into closed session at 6:45 p.m. At 7:28 p.m. the council returned to regular session.

A motion was made by Council Member Clerc, seconded by Council Member Rahm and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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Randy J. Quiring
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk