

The minutes of the Fairmont City Council meeting held on October 27, 2014, 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 and Joe Kallemeyn 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 and City Clerk Patricia Monsen.

It was moved by Council Member Clerc, seconded by Council Member Askeland and carried to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 13, 2014.

During Open Discussion, Councilor Anderson thanked the council, county commissioners and the community for working together to hold a community meeting regarding concerns with the Mayo Hospital.

Councilor Kallemeyn encouraged the citizens of Fairmont to exercise their right to vote on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Quiring stated that he had the opportunity to attend two events in Fairmont this past week. He was invited and spoke at the Fairmont Baptist Church for Community Week. He thanked the Baptist Church for the opportunity to speak, the plaque he received and the bible. He was also a Judge at the Mayo Hospital judging cakes made for Cancer Awareness and thanked the Mayo Hospital.

Kathy Smith, District Manager for Martin County Soil and Water and Eric Schettler, Minnesota DNR Conservation Officer gave a presentation on aquatic invasive species.

Mayor Quiring read a proclamation proclaiming November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> as Poppy Days in the City of Fairmont. Jill Janssen and Ardis Meyer from the American Legion Women's Auxiliary were present and spoke about projects for Veterans that are funded by poppy sales.

Mayor Quiring opened the public hearing on the issue of burning leaves in the City. Moni Harper and Barb Pannkuk from Lakeview Street were present and spoke in favor of keeping leave burning. Mike Katzenmeyer from West Amber Lake Drive also spoke in favor of keeping leave burning. With no other comments, Council Member Anderson made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Kallemeyn seconded the motion and the motion carried. Mayor Quiring stated that he has received comments from people who have expressed that burning leaves is a health hazard for them. The council concluded that leave burning should be left as an alternative for disposing of leaves and that they will continue to explore additional options.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the professional service agreement with KLJ for the Fairmont Municipal Airport. Council Member Askeland seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the payment of the October, 2014 bills in the amount of \$1,070,378.71. Council Member Kallemeyn seconded the motion and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Askeland, seconded by Council Member Anderson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Randy J. Quiring  
Mayor

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Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk