

**CITY OF PARK RIVER, NORTH DAKOTA, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING,
MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012 AT 7:30 P.M.**

The City of Park River held their regular meeting of the Park River City Council on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Stenvold called the meeting to order with the following present: Praska, Blake, Knutson, Lundquist, Anderson, City Attorney Steve Currie, Public Works Director Dennis Larson, Business Manager Tom Larson, and Deputy Auditor Ann Berg. Absent, Councilman Byron.

Praska moved to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2012 Regular Council meeting as presented. Blake seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2012 Board of Equalization meeting as presented. Lundquist seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Lundquist moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2012 Special Council meeting as presented. Anderson seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Knutson moved to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2012 Planning & Zoning Public Hearing as presented. Lundquist seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Blake moved to approve the following bills for payment. Praska seconded, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

27240	BC/BS of ND	1,523.37
41	PR School District	21,293.81
42	Acme Tools	100.87
43	Cardmember Services	77.00
44	Farmers Union Ins	8,352.25
45	Heartland Gas Co	66.10
46	Jim's Super Valu	16.78
47	Lon's Hdwr	39.84
48	MDU	137.30
49	Northdale Oil, Inc	1,106.09
27250	North Star Coop	1,492.44
51	Polar Comm.	517.26
52	PR Airport Auth	192.84
53	PR Park District	233.44
54	PR Public Library	240.77
55	Glenn Rost	250.00
56	Samson Electric	472.90
57	Sanitation Prod	733.87
58	Special Funds	434.99
59	Team Lab Chem	764.00
27260	True North Steel	104.42
61	WC Auditor	10,161.23
62	WC Press	198.00
63	Discovery Benefits	106.04

64	NDPERS	103.94
65	NDPERS	129.10
66	NDPERS	808.79
A.W.	Municipal Utilities	5,561.17
	EFTPS (WH, SS, MED) 5-15-12 MU	876.45
1417	Jordan Eidenschink	594.52
1418	Sheldon Ellefson	520.05
1419	Shelley MacDonald	80.14
	EFTPS (WH, SS, MED) 5-31-12GF	297.01
	EFTPS (WH, SS, MED) 5-31-12 MU	849.38

MUNICIPAL UTILITIES:

31055	BC/BS of ND	4,060.83
56	Roger A. Johnson	217.15
57	WC Job Dev Auth	19,000.00
58	AmeriPride Linen	124.15
59	Border St Elec	69.56
31060	Business Forms & Acct	112.98
61	Cardmember Services	65.00
62	City of Fargo	28.00
63	Consolidated Waste, LTD	15,969.05
64	Discovery Benefits	27.50
65	Farmers Union Ins	8,576.75
66	Ferguson Waterworks	61.18
67	Grand Forks Utility	109.50
68	Myron Halverson	29.65
69	Hawkins, Inc	1,098.00
31070	Interstate Power Sys	199.66
71	Robert Jelinek	11.94
72	Jim's Super Valu	29.97
73	Crystal Johnson	80.92
74	Henrietta Karas	71.41
75	KMB, Inc	10,036.20
76	KLM Engineering	2,800.00
77	Lagoon Maintenance	1,614.94
78	Leon's Bldg Ctr	27.56
79	Light & Water Dept	2,535.31
31080	Lon's Hdwr	38.00
81	Municipal Utilities	26,985.95
82	Nalco Co	177.50
83	ND One Call Inc	27.50
84	Nodak Electric Coop	4,074.70
85	Northdale Oil	251.42
86	North Star Coop	473.54
87	Polar Communications	146.80
88	PR Implement	9.30
89	Prairie Rose Property	416.78
31090	Samson Electric	120.00
91	Laverne Spanier	59.88
92	Dan Stenvold	277.50

93	Thatcher Co of Montana	7,412.63
94	Verizon Wireless	47.30
95	Water Bd Fd 05	4,830.00
96	Water Rev Bd Fd Phase II	3,450.00
97	Water Sur Charge	5,000.00
98	Water System Repair & Replacement	1,500.00
99	WC Press	320.16
31100	Ye Olde Medicine Center	15.83
01	Discovery Benefits	418.46
02	General Fund	5,561.17
03	Joint Powers Reserve	16,297.79
04	NDPERS	566.18
05	NDPERS	541.02
06	NDPERS	17.29
07	NDPERS	2,896.85
08	Postmaster	239.68
	6499-6508 Salaries 5-15-12	11,506.36
	EFTPS (WH, SS, MED) 5-15-12	3,190.23
	6509-17 Salaries 5-31-12	11,375.94
	EFTPS (WH, SS, MED) 5-31-12	3,192.70
A.W.	ACH Charge	11.65
A.W.	NMPA	119,017.54

SPECIAL FUNDS:

3270	Sunshine Kids Center	5,000.00
3271	Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson	100.00
3272	PR Centennial Trees	309.91
3273	Hylden Landscaping-Fargo	860.00
3274	Joel Hylden	190.30
3275	05 Sales Tax Rev Bd Fd	16,034.60
3276	ND Public Fin Auth	30,800.00

WATER IMPROVE DIST. #95-1:

1056	Wat Sys Repair & Replacement	20,115.25
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Knutson moved to accept the Pledge of Securities from First United Bank dated 4-30-12. Praska seconded and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Praska moved to designate the Walsh County Press as official newspaper for the City of Park River. Anderson seconded the motion, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Stenvold proclaimed May 21 and 22 as "Poppy Days" in Park River.

Knutson introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Park River is a member of the Northern Municipal Power Agency for the purpose of purchasing power to meet electricity needs for the City of Park River.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Tom Larson is hereby appointed to represent the City of Park River on the Board of Directors of NMPA through April 30, 2013 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dennis Larson is appointed as the City of Park River's representative on the Advisory Council of NMPA through April 30, 2013.

Blake seconded the foregoing Resolution and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The Ashley Lions Club presented a Site Authorization for approval to continue conducting games of chance at the Alexander House beginning July 01, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013. Lundquist moved to table the Site Authorization for the Ashley Lions Club until the June 11, 2012 City Council meeting. Blake seconded, and upon roll call, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Knutson moved to grant the transfer of the Dug Out Bar's Liquor License on June 2, 2012 to the CH for the Haugen/Hebert wedding. Lundquist seconded and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

Blake moved to grant the transfer of the American Legion's Liquor License on June 9, 2012 to the Coliseum for the Lessard/Kringstad wedding. Praska seconded and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

City Attorney S. Currie presented information on an ordinance to regulate the sale of real property by negotiation. Currently, City ordinance provides that if the City sells real property with a value in excess of \$1,500.00, they have to solicit bids and be submitted to the City Council for consideration. There is discussion on platting the west ball diamond, which is city park property. Longer range plans would be to relocate both ball diamonds from the "Big Park" and plat that area for residential development as well. The ordinance currently in place does not provide a user friendly process to accomplish these goals. Blake moved to approve the first reading of the following Ordinance:

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Park River that Ordinance 9 is amended to add a new Section 3 to read as follows:

Notwithstanding Sections 1 and 2 above, if City property is to be developed and sold for a new residential subdivision or commercial development of property not previously used for that purpose or not previously developed, the property may be sold in a commercially reasonable manner as is customarily utilized for the sale of the type of property involved and the price of the lots set by the City Council in consultation with any other public or private entity that may be involved in the development of the property.

Lundquist seconded and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Published _____

The Walsh Grain Terminal will start pouring concrete for the silos on May 16th. Work will continue 24 hours per day for five to six days.

Public Works Director Dennis Larson updated the Council on the street and utilities infrastructure assessment and modeling project. Larson stated that the pavement assessment has been completed and the next phase would be to identify, model, and prioritize needed repairs and replacement of water and sewer lines. This phase performed by AE2S will cost \$56,800. Blake moved to approve D. Larson's recommendation to use AE2S for the water and sewer mapping, modeling, and assessment at a cost of \$56,800. Lundquist seconded the motion, and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

T. Larson has been elected by the Northern Municipal Power Agency to serve on the Minnkota Power Cooperative Board of Directors. He receives per diem and mileage reimbursement for using his personal vehicle. Mayor Stenvold and the Council concur that having Larson serve in this capacity is a benefit to the City. Knutson moved to allow Larson to keep the per diem and take it into consideration at the next salary review. Praska seconded and upon roll call vote, all present voted aye.

Harlan Larson had previously submitted an application to the Renaissance Zone Program to exempt from property taxes for a period of time the improvements he is making to the former ASCS building at 523 Briggs Ave S. The improvements being made are also eligible for exemption under N.D.C.C. ch. 57-02.2, which is a much less cumbersome process. The exemption can be granted up to five years on the new improvements. Knutson moved to grant Harlan Larson the exemption under N.D.C.C. ch. 57-02.2 for the improvements made to 523 Briggs Ave S for five years. Blake seconded and upon roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried.

Jill Mullen, manager of the American Legion Bar, asked for the Council's permission to block the street in front of Legion for the Camp Good Morning Motorcycle Fundraiser Run from 12-2 pm, May 19, 2012. Lundquist moved to grant Mullen's request. Blake seconded and upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

The Council set Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 pm, for the Public Hearing to introduce the proposed Planning and Zoning Ordinance for the City of Park River.

Public Works Director D Larson informed the Council that he received the results of the water tower inspection performed by KLM Engineering. The report outlined repairs to the water tower which should be completed within the next few years. Larson reported the estimate to complete the repairs to the water tower is \$360,700. Larson went on to say in comparison a new water tower with larger capacity would cost approximately \$700,000 plus engineering for a 250,000 gallon tower. The Council will continue to search for funding assistance to construct a new, larger tower rather than repair the old one, which was built in 1932 and is of limited capacity.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 PM.

Dan Stenvold, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tom Larson, City Auditor