

**CITY OF FISHER
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 02, 2015
Fisher School Library
7:00pm**

Council Members Present: Jennifer Dahlen, Laurie Anderson, Alissa Larson, Adam Wagner

Council Member Absent: Wayne Schull

City Staff Present: Amy Theis, Dean Smith, Jeff Olson, Chris Reynolds

Others Present: Jason Hillman

1. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dahlen at 7:00pm.
2. Additions/Corrections were made to the agenda.
3. Approve Minutes from January 5, 2015 meeting.
Larson made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2015. Wagner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Fisher Forum: none
5. Public Works Department:
 - A. **90 Day performance evaluation for Chris Reynolds:**
J. Dahlen and Olson have been satisfied with Reynolds' performance. He was able to obtain his Class B CDL. Mayor Dahlen recommended a pay increase of \$0.50 per hour.
Anderson made a motion to increase the hourly pay rate for Chris Reynolds to \$12.50. Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. **Snow plow repair part:**
Olson noted several parts and repairs needed to the plow truck. He estimated the cost for the necessary parts at \$1,000.
 - C. **Banners changed**
 - D. **Compensation for Larry Krostue:**
Larson made a motion to purchase a \$50 gift card to Cenex. Wagner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Fire & First Responders:
 - A. A. Dahlen reported that the Fire Relief put in a bid on a pumper truck from Crookston. Andrew informed them that the Council had not been informed or committed any dollars.
 - B. Rescue rig needs an extended cargo bed slide for hydraulic hose. \$1600 expense. Expense was approved in 2014 and will be purchased.
 - C. Recruiting effort during pig roast.
 - D. First Responder training will be 1 weekend in March and 1 weekend in April.
 - E. National First Responder week in May.
7. Police Department:
 - A. Burglary at Thompson Apartments while tenants were gone for Christmas break.
 - B. Assisted in DWI call
8. **COUNCIL UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. **Delinquent water bills:**
A. Theis reported that there are 2 residents that are still delinquent. Both have a payment plan in place. A. Theis will contact #25 about increasing their payment amount.

B. MPRW Rate Increase:

Jason Hillman, MPRW manager, explained to Council that when he was planning his 2015 budget he had no plans for rate increase. The MPRW Board of Directors met December 9, 2014 and decided on the rate increase in an effort to get out in front of costs. No increase was made to the facility charge (\$570.60). The last increase to the facility charge was in 2010. Mayor Dahlen requested that the directors work on their budget in November. Jason would ask but thought it was unlikely because their budget is based on forecasting and they like to have the most current forecast numbers. Plan for 3% increase.

9. COUNCIL NEW BUSINESS

A. Buildings:

The City is in need of additional storage. Dahlen's will be selling their garage for \$2,000 but it will need to be moved. A. Theis will check on costs to move the 24'x28' building.

10. Open Discussion:

"Yard of the Month" ***Larson made a motion to offer a \$25 utility bill discount to a resident deemed to have the "Yard of the Month." Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.*** Larson will present criteria at March meeting.

11. Approve February Disbursements:

Larson made a motion to approve the disbursements in the amount of \$26,393.69. Wagner seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Adjourn at 8:00pm:

Anderson made a motion to adjourn. Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Theis
Clerk-Treasurer