

**Regular Meeting of
Monday February 6, 2012**

Mayor Christopher Jackson called the regular meeting of the Walhalla City Council to order, 7:00 P.M., Monday February 6, 2012 at City Hall.

Alderman Present: Mike Karel, LaRae Horgan, Chad Solberg, Dean Jackson, and Arnold Ermer.

Absent: Helen Volk-Schill

Also Present: Kathy Stremick, Brian Mathison, Terry Meidinger and Larry Dubois.

Change to January minutes: Moved by Solberg to have the January minutes reflect that the increase to the Water usage rate will put the rate at 4.86 per 1000 gallons, second by Jackson. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel to approve minutes of January 3, 2012 as amended, second by Solberg. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ermer to amend the motion on accepting the Soeby Motors bid for new police car without the Eco-Boost engine, second by Karel. Ayes: Karel, Horgan, Solberg, Jackson and Ermer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel to approve minutes of January 3, 2012 as amended, second by Ermer. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Jackson to approve the Financial Report as presented. Second by Ermer. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried. Moved by Solberg to approve the 2011 Yearly Financial Report as presented, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Brian informed the Council regarding the repairs at the lift station on Mountain Ave.

Moved by Jackson to advertise for a Loader for three weeks and deadline for bids will be March 5, 2012 at 4:00 PM, bid opening will be March 5, 2012 at 7:00PM, second by Ermer. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Solberg to send Officer Garvens to the survival class in Bismarck, all travel expenses will be paid accordingly, second by Ermer. Ayes: Karel, Horgan, Solberg, Jackson, and Ermer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Solberg to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2012-01 relating to prohibiting certain animals in City Limits unless a permit is approved, second by Jackson. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried. Moved by Solberg to approve and pass Ordinance 2012-01, second by Jackson. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel to approve the second reading to amend the wording on the Leasing Ordinance 2012-02 to include the process of leasing and renting, second by Horgan, Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried. Moved by Karel to approve and pass the amended Ordinance 2012-02, second by Horgan, Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel to amend the truck route to include Delano Ave to Holly Street, the block south of the Walhalla Inn and approve the second reading to amend the Ordinances 2012-03, second by Solberg. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried. Moved by Karel, to approve and pass the Ordinances 2012-03. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel, to approve the satisfaction of mortgage to Choice Financial Group for the Harvest Fuel Building, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Alderman Karel asked Mr. Dubois a question regarding the water billing issue. Alderman Karel wanted to know who has authority regarding the auditor. Mr. Dubois replied that the Mayor oversees the duties of the auditor.

Moved by Karel to pay all bills presented excluding the Electric Pump bill, also the City will pay 387.32 of the taxes for the Civic Center and North Border will pay 129.11, second by Ermer. Ayes: Karel, Horgan, Solberg, Jackson and Ermer. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mayor informed the City Council he has talked to someone regarding the Tax Assessors Position, but has not heard back yet. The first meeting with Julie Doyle, County Tax Director, is February 9, 2012.

Moved by Karel to raise the water usage rate to \$5.00 per 1000 gallons for the February billing, second by Ermer. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Dan, Kathy and Shirley have been meeting regarding the Ordinance Book. Dan has the book in order and has already typed a few chapters. They will be meeting with Mr. Dubois on some legal questions on the Ordinance Book.

Moved by Karel to appoint Becky Berg to sit on the Library Board, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Jackson to approve a loan to help renovate the building at 1012 Central Ave for Perfecting Pictures/Sarah Thornberg, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Karel to apply for financing under the USDA Rural Development Programs for Natures Best for equipment, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Kathy discussed renovation of the Clinic Building. Council said to continue with the process.

Kathy informed the Council that a Fossil Dig will be held in July this year. Application forms for the Dig is on our website. www.walholland.org

Concerning the former Tarnel Manufacturing Facility, Kathy informed the Council on the various companies that have shown interest in the facility, no formal decisions have been made at this time. Kathy will continue to research possibilities.

Kathy handed out a draft of a Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Walhalla. Council will review the draft and plan a workshop retreat to finalize the plan.

Kathy has been asked by the ND Park and Recreation Department to sit on the advisory board for the Recreation Trail Program.

Moved by Solberg to adjourn the meeting, second by Horgan. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion Carried

Mayor

Auditor

Date

Bills paid February 7, 2012

Advanced Business Methods-library	\$44.67
Advanced Business Methods	\$344.47
Aflac	\$416.38
AmeriPride	\$144.46
AT&T Mobility	\$110.80
Bl Industries Inc.	\$104.47
Cavalier Equipment	\$56.12
Choice Financial Group	\$838.30
Clark Construction / Project	\$172.00
Clark Construction	\$1545.23
CMI	\$55.04
Ferguson Waterworks	\$538.31
Fleming, DuBois & Fleming-street	\$1970.50
Kathy Stremick	\$142.20
Mar-Kit Landfill	\$2177.55
Midcontinent Communications	\$50.06
MDU library	\$219.15
MDU	\$993.99
ND Dept of Health	\$16.00
ND Rural Water System	\$200.00
Nodak Electric	\$130.93
North Valley Water	\$12269.71
Ottertail	\$2783.36

Ottertail library	\$79.51
Pembina County Treasurer	\$8979.78
Rendezvous Region	\$1000.00
Samson Electric	\$7930.00
Schill's Shop	\$260.02
Shirley Robillard	\$104.76
Soeby Motor Co	\$144.39
Striglos Office Equipment	\$334.52
Superior Business Supply	\$101.17
Supermarket Foods	\$21.64
United Telephone	\$735.89
United Telephone-library	\$93.06
Verizon	\$127.63
Walhalla Building Center	\$214.23
Walhalla Coop	\$2626.53
Walhalla Fire Department	\$2150.50
Walhalla Insurance Agency	\$ 540.00
Walhalla Mountaineer	\$153.64
Total	\$50876.30

