

**Minutes for a Special Meeting
of the Winthrop City Council
Monday, June 20th, 2011**

A special meeting of the Winthrop City Council was called to order at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 20th, 2011, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall for the purposes of conducting the business of the city.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Trebelhorn.
- II. ROLL CALL** Council members Colleen Dietz, Ed Pelletier and Pete Machaiek were present. City Administrator Mark Erickson, Shannon Sweeney, Brenda Meyer, Todd Suprenaut, Brad Potter, Gordy Grack, Doug Hanson and City Attorney Don Lannoye were also present.

Request from Winthrop Chamber – Chamber President Brenda Meyer asked if the council would consider paying for half of the liability and rain insurance for Farm City Fun Fest weekend like they did in 2011. The approximate cost is \$750. Motion Dietz, second Pelletier to pay for half liability and rain insurance. Passed on a voice vote. Meyer also asked if half of 2nd Street in front of MidCountry bank can be closed on Friday, July 8th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to serve a free lunch to people. The two alleys would remain open. Several Winthrop businesses are sponsoring the event. Motion Pete, second Dietz to approve closure of the request street on July 8th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Passed on a voice vote. Mayor Trebelhorn reminded Meyer than Dispatch in Gaylord needs to be informed when the street is closed for potential emergency services.

I&S Group Street Project – Chad Suprenaut and Brad Potter from I&S Group discussed ways to look at the current street boils and work them into an overall plan to repair and replace streets in the coming years. They presented a proposal for a study to assess all city streets and rank them on a 1 to 100 scale as well as the infrastructure under the streets. The idea is to know what streets will need work first and to delay any costly and unnecessary maintenance on those streets until they are repaired or replaced. Shannon Sweeney said if the council agrees on street projects of a certain size they can be financed to be retired in 12-15 years and subsequent streets projects can be planned to take advantage of the funds that will be available with a previous project is retired. He explained that having an inventory of the streets done by an engineering firm can actually result in lower interest rates on loans and the savings could easily be more than the cost of the study. The proposal from I&S would cost \$7,900. Motion Pelletier, second Machaiek to approve the plan from I&S. Passed on a voice vote.

Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Project – Shannon walked the council through an updated financing plan for the sewer interceptor pipe and presented resolution 062011-1 authorizing the sale of bonds in the amount of \$450,304. Motion Pelletier, second Dietz to approve the resolution. Passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk-Administrator