

**Minutes for a Special Meeting Of the Winthrop City Council
Monday, September 9th, 2013**

A special meeting of the Winthrop City Council was called to order at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 9th, 2013 in the City Council Chambers of City Hall for the purposes of conducting discussing tree bids, city park tiling and certification of past due utility accounts to taxes.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Trebelhorn

ROLL CALL Council members Colleen Dietz, Pete Machaiek, Lyle Muth and Jessica Wiborg were present. Mark Erickson, John Sanford, Gordy Grack, Mike Mattison and Paul Trebelhorn were also present.

The special meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. **Tree Bids** – John Sanford from Belek Tree Service talked to the council about the different ways to bids tree work. If Diameter Breast Height is used he would suggest different classifications for different kinds of trees. Some trees have more branches and require more time. If work is by the hour then it doesn't matter what tree is being cut down or trimmed. Motion Machaiek, second Wiborg to rebid tree services on a per hour basis only. Passed on a voice vote.
2. **Park Tiling** – Erickson said that girls softball coach Brian Magnuson doesn't believe the second softball field needs any tiling, adding that if the big field is unplayable the little field is as well. Street Supt. Gordy Grack said he thought the field needed to be tiled and had an estimate at \$3,000. There was consensus by the council not to tile the second softball field at this time.
3. **Certify Utility Accounts to Taxes** – Don Lannoye recommended to the council they certified two accounts to taxes. Because of some ambiguity around the idea of certifying electrical charges of renters to landlord taxes he suggested the city certify all utility charges except electrical to taxes. Motion Wiborg, second Machaiek to close the public meeting for purposes of discussing non-public data and attorney client privilege. Passed on a voice vote. The meeting was closed on the council met with a utility account holder regarding their charges. Motion Muth, second Dietz to closed the closed meeting and reopen the regular meeting. Passed on a voice vote. Motion Dietz, second Wiborg to pass Resolution 20130909-1 to certify two utility accounts to taxes. Passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned.

Council President

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer