

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
February 16, 2010

The city council met in regular session Tuesday, February 16, 2010 in the council chambers at city hall. President Hodge called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Marvin Garbe, Sandra Hodge, and Bryce Curtiss (7:05 P.M.) and Karen Nieuwbeerta. Absent: Al Johnsrud. Mayor Jim Curtiss absent.

Also present were: City Manager Steven C. Jones, City Attorney Janice Nelson, City Engineer David Berryman and City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen.

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Nieuwbeerta and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, as presented.

It was moved by Nieuwbeerta, seconded by Garbe and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 1, 2010, as presented.

4. Notices/Communications/Announcements or Appearance of Interested Citizens.

- None.

5. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Johnsrud, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to approve the following consent agenda items:

5(A) VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 12, 2010 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$210,128.11.

5(B) APPLICATION FROM MONTEVIDEO FIESTA, INC. FOR EXEMPTION FROM LAWFUL GAMBLING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW RAFFLE ACTIVITY ON JUNE 20, 2010 AT THE FINE ARTS CENTER, 300 NORTH 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET.

5(C) APPLICATION FOR USE OF CITY PROPERTY (MAIN STREET BETWEEN MERRIAM & SHERMAN AVENUES) FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE ON MARCH 17, 2010, 5:00-6:00 P.M.

6. Public Hearings.

- None.

7. General Business.

7(A) 2009 ANNUAL REPORT.

Section 7.12 of the Montevideo City Charter requires that “Once each year on or before the last day of February, the city manager must submit a report to the council covering the entire financial operations of the city for the past year. Over the years, because of auditing and state reporting requirements, this report has become less of a real financial report and more a comprehensive annual report of the activities of the city.

It was moved by Nieuwbeerta, seconded by Garbe and unanimously passed to accept the 2009 Annual Report, as presented.

Council member Bryce Curtiss arrived at 7:05 P.M.

7(B) DEPARTMENTAL ANNUAL REPORT REVIEWS.

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed that due to other community events taking place this evening, the council accept the departmental information as written in the annual report document. Council President Hodge encouraged those department heads present to highlight their information for the council and the general public.

The following individuals were on hand to present their departmental information:

- ▶ Community Development Director Nick Haggemiller
- ▶ Building Official Don Fischer
- ▶ Public Works Director Greg Schwaegerl

7(C) MN VALLEY CO-OP VOTING REPRESENTATIVE.

It was moved by Curtiss, seconded by Garbe and unanimously passed to designate Mayor Jim Curtiss as the city’s voting delegate for the MN Valley Light & Power Association annual meeting, scheduled for March 27, 2010.

7(D) WORKSESSION DATES/TIMES.

Council discussed the need to schedule a goal setting worksession and a worksession to review departmental needs based on the present economical situation.

As previously directed by the council, department heads met to discuss/develop departmental goals and ideas for potential cutbacks. The information was provided to council members, with the understanding that council would then meet to review that information and discuss/develop

their own goals/ideas. Once accomplished, council could then schedule a joint session with department heads for further review.

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Nieuwbeerta and unanimously passed to set a worksession for 5:00 P.M. on Monday, March 1, 2010 (prior to the regular council meeting at 7:00 P.M.), with the possibility of recovering after the regular meeting has adjourned, if more time was needed.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

- ▶ Council member Garbe encouraged council members and the general public to e-mail their legislators in support of the vets home.
- ▶ City Manager Jones reported that the city is gearing up for a possible spring flood. Efforts are underway to prepare for the event, staff is being updated, etc.
- ▶ City Manager Jones stated that due to the progression of work at the wastewater treatment plant, it may be necessary to purchase flood insurance for certain buildings that may be at risk.

Following discussion, it was moved by Garbe, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to authorize the city manager to research this issue and to place the proper flood insurance at the wastewater treatment plant, based on the items that he believes to be at risk.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Glennis A. Lauritsen, Secretary

Approved by council March 1, 2010:

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Sandra Hodge - President