

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
June 20, 2011

The city council met in regular session Monday, June 20, 2011 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, Bryce Curtiss, Karen Nieuwbeerta and Sandra Hodge.  
Absent: Al Johnsrud. Mayor Debra Lee Fader present.

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

It was moved by Nieuwbeerta, seconded by Garbe and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, with the following modifications:

**ACTION      ITEM DESCRIPTION:**

**Modify:      5(A)      CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 17, 2011 IN THE AMOUNT OF ~~\$143,385.21~~ \$335,726.15.**

Modified amount reflects the following additional claims:

MISCELLANEOUS

Delta Dental	Premium - July	\$ 1,710.50
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REFUSE

Tostenson, Inc.	May services	53,191.56
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TIF

Tanglewood Ltd. Partnership	TIF Revenue Note	4,490.27
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UTILITY

North Star Pump Service	Ashmore lift station repairs	1,861.09
Rice Lake Constr. Group	Appl. #21 - WWTP	126,581.00



- ▶ High cost to comply with possible state requirements (\$23,000 up-front costs and ongoing maintenance.) This is not a budgeted expense and the upkeep of the existing park system is a priority, not new endeavors.
- ▶ Other possible issues in the DNR “draft” agreement (parking, liability, etc.)
- ▶ The pond was not designed as a fishing pond which could be both a practical problem and a legal problem (liability). This was not designed as a park but rather as a storm water retention facility.
- ▶ Questions on the quality of the fish due to the pond being a storm water retention pond and not a natural pond. Would the fish be healthy? Would the runoff (phosphorous, pesticides, petroleum, etc.) in the storm water be an issue both in eating fish or in encouraging people to use the pond?
- ▶ Concerns with the condition of the pond later in the summer when cattails grow and algae takes over. Do not want to encourage other uses in the pond, such as swimming or boating.

It was the consensus of the board that they are fine with leaving the pond as is, and allowing the DNR to stock the pond with fish but were apprehensive about any other improvements/enhancements.

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to accept the park board’s recommendations for the pond, as noted.

7(B) CHANGE ORDER 17 - WWTP MODIFICATIONS.

Initial repair costs for blowers no. 2 and no. 3 at the wastewater treatment plant were processed per change order no. 16. After completing the repairs and starting the blowers, it was determined that the initial repairs were not adequate. The original blower evaluation and the corresponding change order for repairs underestimated the extent of repairs required. The contractor has now provided an estimated cost of \$24,337.00 per blower for additional repairs needed. The costs for the initial repairs on these blowers have been credited on this change order. Therefore, the increase of this change order is \$32,883.00, which reflects a current contract price incorporating this change order of \$10,914.353.53 for the project.

It was moved by Nieuwebeerta, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to approve Change Order No. 17, as presented.

7(C) LIGHTING UPGRADE PROPOSAL PACKAGE.

Old lighting fixtures (T-12's) are being phased-out and will no longer be available, beginning in 2012. Xcel Energy is offering a rebate program (up to 75%) to help with changing out fixtures and bulbs to the new T8 standards. This rebate program ends next year. An internal audit of lighting fixtures was conducted by staff, which found 225 fixtures (508 bulbs) that are the older T12 fixtures. Estimated cost is \$15,000 to change out the old fixtures; however, at least \$10,000 of that cost can be recouped in rebates.

Staff has prepared a bid proposal package for council's review and consideration. The package also requests bids for an alternate project for an additional 169 fixtures and 466 bulbs (Business Development Center, 301 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street).

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Nieuwebeerta and unanimously passed to approve the bid package, with an alternate bid to offer 4' bulbs in all areas vs. the 8' bulbs.

7(D) AIRPORT OVERHEAD DOOR REPLACEMENT.

Staff had previously been directed to obtain quotes for the replacement of the overhead door on the old terminal building at the airport. Two quotes were received, as follows: Hydro-Power - \$14,499.73; Powerlift - \$8,790.00. Both quotes reflect door and installation.

The airport commission met and recommended replacement of the door and the quote from Powerlift. However, city staff believes that rather than replacing the door, it could be repaired by city staff inhouse. City Building Official Don Fischer also inspected the door and concurs that the door can be repaired.

It was moved by Garbe, seconded by Nieuwebeerta and unanimously passed to accept the low bid from Powerlift, concur that the city manager pursue state participation in the costs associated and, in the meantime, do temporary repairs on the door until such time as the state participation is ascertained..

7(E) ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS (POOL SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS).

BRYCE CURTISS OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3038, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GIFTS/GRANTS, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3038 WAS SECONDED BY MARVIN GARBE. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: BRYCE CURTISS, MARVIN GARBE, KAREN NIEUWBEERTA AND SANDRA HODGE. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

7(F) PURCHASE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY - LEVEE PROJECT.

MARVIN GARBE OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3039, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE (TOOV PROPERTY), AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3039 WAS SECONDED BY BRYCE CURTISS. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: MARVIN GARBE, BRYCE CURTISS, KAREN NIEUWBEERTA AND SANDRA HODGE. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

9(A) UPDATE - LEVEE PROJECT.

City Manager Jones discussed with the council plans to approach Chippewa County to request funding assistance for the levee project. The request would be made along with the cities of Clara City and Maynard and targets \$50.00 per capita to help reimburse for flood fighting, mitigation, and/or repair costs. A draft letter and resolution had been prepared for review and consideration by the council.

It was the consensus of the council to go forward with this request, with a slight modification being made to the letter to reflect 1997 flood fighting activities as well.

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- ▶ City Manager Jones shared a gift presented by Uruguayan delegates during Fiesta - a framed marble square, with an agate in the center in the shape of Uruguay. The artwork will be displayed at city hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

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Glennis A. Lauritsen, Secretary

Approved by council July 5, 2011:

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Sandra Hodge - President