

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Carrington was held Monday, February 9, 2015, at 7:30 PM, at City Hall. Mayor Neil Fandrich presiding.

The following members of council and city departments were present: Barb Eli, Danny Schuchard, Al Trader, Dick Engel, Dan Trosen, Randy Munkeby, Leo Ryan, Denise Schuchard, Pam Jerome, and Heather Carr.

Absent: Councilmen Trygg Olson and Josh Hoffman.

Also present: Leasa Lura, Ken Wangen, Jay Wolsky, Paul Dubourt, Amanda Dubourt, Brenda Rask, Jodi Hovdenes, and Jess Earle.

A motion was made by Dick Engel, seconded by Danny Schuchard, to approve the minutes as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Fandrich read a thank you card from the Butt's family for the plant the city had sent to Administrative Assistant, Stacey Rzaszutak's, grandfathers funeral.

A hearing was held for two applications received for Property Tax Abatement and Refund of Taxes.

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Barb Eli, to recommend the property located at 633 4<sup>th</sup> St S, owned by Jay and Rhonda Wolsky, true and full value be lowered from \$154,500.00 to \$135,000.00, due to Wolsky having a recent appraisal to support the lower price. The following voted in favor: Eli, Trader, Engel, and Schuchard. Against: None. Motion carried

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Barb Eli, to recommend the property located at 125 5<sup>th</sup> St N, and owned by Paul and Amanda Dubourt, true and full value be lowered from \$243,600.00 to \$211,900.00, the price on the appraisal. The following voted in favor: None. Against: Schuchard, Trader, Eli, and Engel. Motion failed.

The council felt the appraisal Dubourt provided was not current enough to support the lower value.

Brenda Rask and Jodi Hovdenes of Carrington Health Center, addressed council giving a progress report on Service Excellence Initiative.

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Al Trader, to approve Planning and Zoning recommendation of rezoning of property known as Airport First Addition, from Agricultural to R-1. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Al Trader, seconded by Dick Engel, to approve Planning and Zoning recommendation of rezoning of property known as Lots 5 & 6, Blk 82, Tyners's Addition, from R-2 to C-1. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Barb Eli, to approve the Planning and Zoning recommendation for a conditional use permit from Steve and Tonia Erickson. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Dick Engel, to approve a 2015 gas fitters license to Bakkegard & Schell, Inc. of Valley City. All voted aye. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **FIRE DEPT:**

Fire Chief, Ken Wangen reported they had 2 calls last month, they did a self evaluation after the grain bin extraction and found that a rescue rated tripod is needed, By-Laws are being reviewed and will be changed where needed and read for adoption starting at the next business meeting, and they have talked with the new emergency manager and will be trying to get a Safer Grant to replace SCBA's and turnouts for Carrington, Glenfield and McHenry.

### **FINANCE & LEGAL:**

Councilman Dick Engel informed council they had met today at noon and discussed the proposed Ottertail Power Company franchise agreement, city staff schedules, and upcoming training options.

### **JDA/CEDD:**

A motion was made by Barb Eli, seconded by Danny Schuchard, to approve the recommendation of the JDA board, to appoint Bob Lipetzky as a JDA member, filling the vacancy left by Matt Vold. The following voted in favor: Schuchard, Engel, Trader, and Eli. Against: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dick Engel, seconded by Danny Schuchard, to approve the recommendation of the JDA board, for a Flex Pace Interest Buydown for Central Distributing with the Bank of North Dakota for 30% of the total interest amount, \$29,428.00 being the cities share. The following voted in favor: Engel, Eli, Trader, and Schuchard. Against: None. Motion carried.

### **AIRPORT:**

Mayor Fandrich reported they had met and discussed fuel issues, the new hanger is finished, and rental space in the old hanger.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Emergency Manager, Jess Earle, informed council she had started Monday, February 2, 2015 and her office is back in the upstairs of the armory.

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Councilman Danny Schuchard informed council they had met and are doing sanding, snow removal, they are removing snow piles in town, lift station #1 should have floats installed this week, and they are doing some routine painting in the Armory.

### **BUILDING OFFICIAL:**

Public Works Director Dan Trosen informed council they are working on a new plat for the Airport addition.

A motion was made by Dick Engel, seconded by Al Trader, to approve the committee reports as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Danny Schuchard, seconded by Dick Engel, to approve the bills as previously submitted and listed on the agenda. The following voted in favor: Trader, Eli, Engel, and Schuchard. Against: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion was made by Dick Engel, seconded by Al Trader, to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:15 PM

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Heather Carr, City Auditor

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Neil Fandrich, Mayor