

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 10, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: James G. Elsing, Leland Hain, Roger E. Nelson, Bob Petrich, and Lyle Ten Haken.

City Staff present: Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development; and Karen Buchman, City Clerk.

Others present: Darrell Stitt, KWOA Radio; Ryan McGaughey, Daily Globe; Randy Davis, Cable 3; Darlene Macklin, Glenn Thuringer and son, and Linda Nelson.

MINUTES APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Ten Haken, seconded by Alderman Hain and unanimously carried to approve the Regular City Council minutes of December 27, 2004.

MINUTES OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to accept for review the Water and Light Commission minutes of January 3, 2005; and Worthington Hospital Board minutes of December 20, 2004.

BILLS PAYABLE

The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried that bills payable and totaling \$760,725.33 be ordered paid.

OUTGOING ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE ELSING

Alderman Elsing's term of office was officially completed. Mayor Oberloh presented him with a plaque and thanked him for his years of service. He said he hoped to see him sitting back at the Council table sometime in the future. Alderman Elsing wished everyone well and told them to keep up the good work and shook hands with all Council members.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR ELECTED ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE AND RE-ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

Officials elected at the Annual City Election on Tuesday, November 2, 2004, having qualified by taking their oath of office, took their seats in the official capacity:

Newly Elected

Alderman-At-Large

Mike Woll

Re-elected

Alderman First Ward

Lyle Ten Haken

Alderman Second Ward

Bob Petrich

AGENDA APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by Alderman Ten Haken and unanimously carried to accept the agenda as presented.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

An election of the Mayor Pro Tem to preside in the absence of the Mayor was completed by paper ballot with Alderman Hain elected as Mayor Pro Tem.

ANNUAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The motion was made by Alderman Petrich, seconded by Alderman Ten Haken and unanimously carried to approve the list of annual appoints to Boards, Commissions and Committees as follows:

Alan Oberloh

Nominating Committee
Okabena/Ocheda/Bella Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board
Lake Improvement Committee
Liquor/Gambling Committee
City/County/School Joint Powers Board

Bob Petrich

Water and Light Commission
Downtown Parking Advisory Board
Memorial Auditorium Advisory Board
Employee Advisory Committee
WGTV - TV3 Public Access Channel Joint Powers Board

Mike Woll

Worthington Regional Hospital Board
Heron Lake Watershed Restoration Association
Employee Insurance Board of Trustees
Convention & Visitors Bureau
Traffic & Safety Committee

- Leland Hain** Planning Commission
 Park and Recreation Advisory Board
 Golf Advisory Board
 Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund
- Roger Nelson** Housing & Redevelopment Authority
 Prairie Justice Center (City/County Joint Building)
 Airport Advisory Board
 Transit Board - Joint Powers Board
 Okabena/Ocheda Bella Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board
- Lyle Ten Haken** Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund
 Transit Board - Joint Powers Board
 Prairie Justice Center (City/County Joint Building)
 City/Council/School Joint Powers Board
 Southwest Regional Development Commission

SET CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES AND TIME

The motion was made by Alderman Ten Haken, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried to set City Council meeting dates and time, for 7:00 p.m., the second and fourth Mondays of each month. In the event that a legal holiday falls on the second or fourth Monday, the Regular City Council Meeting will be held on the following day (Tuesday).

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER DESIGNATION

The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to designate the official newspaper as the Daily Globe.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENT

State Statute and Section 2.03 of the City Charter states that effective January 1 of each year the City Council shall appoint a City Clerk, which appointment shall be for a one-year term. The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried to appoint Karen Buchman as City Clerk for a one-year term.

ORDINANCE NO. 976 ADOPTED, VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to give a third reading to and adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 976

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PLATTED ALLEY IN THE CITY OF WORTHINGTON,
NOBLES COUNTY, MINNESOTA

(Refer to Ordinance file for complete copy of Ordinance)

ON-SALE BEER LICENSE APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Cumiskey and unanimously carried to approve the following On-Sale beer license for the period January 11, 2005 through December 31, 2005:

2005-13 La Hacienda, 1719 East Avenue, Carlos Urenda Vasque

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM LAWFUL GAMBLING APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Woll, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to approve the following Application for Exemption from Lawful Gambling as requested:

Organization	Worthington Area YMCA
Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Johnson
Treasurer	Joel Staehling
License Number	53003
Types of Games	Raffles
Date of Activity	Saturday, April 23, 2005, Worthington Country Club, 1414 Liberty Drive, Worthington, Minnesota

2005 INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FUND BUDGET APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to approve the proposed 2005 Industrial Wastewater Treatment (605) Fund Budget, Equipment Revolving Schedules, and Capital Improvement Programs. Staff met with Swift regarding the Industrial Wastewater Budget. They had a 30-day comment period our agreement and no comments were received.

MICHAEL'S RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE

Mr. Thomas O'Meara was notified by certified mail that the City will suspend his license to sell liquor at Michael's Restaurant as of January 20, 2005 unless prior to that date he makes a written request for a hearing before City Council. If he requests a hearing, it will be held at 6:30 p.m., on Monday, January 24, 2005 prior to the regular City Council meeting. The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by

Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to approve the Liquor Committee recommendation to suspend his license to sell effective January 20, 2005 until such time as his name no longer appears on the State of MN list of tax delinquents.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by Alderman Ten Haken and unanimously carried to approve the following appointment to the Airport Advisory Board. Dr. Tim Toso was appointed in December, but withdrew his name as he is unable to attend 7:00 a.m. meetings.

Airport Advisory Board

Appoint Dennis Hoover to a five-year term
expiring October 2009.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH KEVIN BLACK, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED

The motion was made by Alderman Hain, seconded by Alderman Petrich and unanimously carried to approve a new three-year employment agreement with Kevin Black and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk's signatures. The language essentially remains the same as his previous agreement except for the compensation section. Under the terms of this new agreement Black's salary will be adjusted by 3% in 2005, 2% in 2006, and by a factor of 90% of the CPI-U National (U-All urban wage earners) index with a minimum adjustment of 2% and a maximum adjustment of 5% for 2007.

HONORARY COUNCIL PERSON FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

The motion was made by Alderman Petrich, seconded by Alderman Hain and unanimously carried to appoint Steve Berning as Honorary Council Person for the months of January and February.

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPROVED

In an effort to assure their by-laws are current, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) is proposing three amendments to the said document. Each of the three amendments pertain to the inclusion of a City Council member in the HRA's board membership. The motion was made by Alderman Ten Haken, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried to approve the Housing and Redevelopment Authority By-Law Amendment.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Petrich, seconded by Alderman Ten Haken and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Karen Buchman
City Clerk

