

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 25, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: Lyle Ten Haken, Mike Kuhle, Scott Nelson, Ron Wood, Mike Woll. Honorary Council Member: Mike Hokeness.

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

Others present: Laura Grevis, Daily Globe.

**HONORARY COUNCIL MEMBER**

Mayor Oberloh presented Mike Hokeness with a certificate for his participation in the Honorary Council Member Program during the months of November and December, 2009 and January, 2010. Mr. Hokeness commented he enjoyed the program and thanked Council for the learning experience.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

The motion was made by Alderman Woll, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- City Council Minutes - Special Meeting January 11, 2010; Regular Meeting January 11, 2010.
- Minutes of Boards and Commissions - Water and Light Commission Minutes of January 19, 2010; Housing and Redevelopment Authority Minutes of December 10, 2009.
- Reappointed Steve Berning to the Nominating Committee for a five-year term, which term will expire December 31, 2014.
- Exemption from Lawful Gambling Permit:

Organization:	Nobles County Pheasants Forever, Chapter 14
Chief Executive Officer:	Scott Rall
Type of Games:	Raffles
Date/Location of Activity:	March 26, 2010 Long Branch Saloon, 206 10 <sup>th</sup> Street
- Bills payable and totaling \$761,890.57 be ordered paid.

**2009 CITY OF WORTHINGTON STRATEGIC PLAN ADOPTED**

Staff presented the final document that resulted from the 2009 Strategic Planning process, with the

addition of *Highway 59 North design stub-in of infrastructure on pages 15 & 24* and the elimination of *Improve Street Reconstruction Process and programs and All other CIP projects on pages 15 & 24*.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to adopt the 2009 City of Worthington Strategic Plan, with changes discussed, and with the recommendation that the strategic direction and goals be pulled out as a condensed document for public viewing.

### **ADOPTION OF WORK PLANS FOR IDENTIFIED STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES**

Council discussed the work plans submitted by staff for the projects identified during the strategic planning process as priorities. Council noted that the work plans would need to remain flexible, particularly with funding and time line.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried to adopt the work plans for the following items as presented: Construction of a new City Fire Station, Implementation of the ARMER system for emergency service dispatch, Computer Aided Dispatch and Records Management System Implementation, the consideration of Public Safety Access Point (PSAP) Consolidation, Redevelopment of the former YMCA for a City Community/Senior Center, Testing and Training Center addition, construction of the War Memorial Auditorium Addition, County Ditch 12 Floodway Improvements, Initial Design of STH 59 North Commercial/Industrial Park stub improvements, the Lake Outlet Structure Replacement, Public Safety Plan, Event Center Plan.

### **FIRST READING PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE XI OF THE WORTHINGTON CITY CODE, CHAPTER 111 - LIQUOR REGULATIONS**

Council considered a proposed ordinance amending Title XI, Chapter 111 of the Worthington City Code - Liquor Regulations, by the addition of Subchapter 111.35 as follows:

#### Section I.

Worthington City Code, Title XI, Chapter 111, is hereby amended so as to create Subchapter 111.35 which shall read as follows:

The City, upon application thereof, may issue Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor licenses, with the approval of the Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with the full range of options and upon the same terms as authorized by Minn. Stat. 340A.404 Subd. 10. The application for such a license shall be made upon a form provided by the City which shall require information similar to that

required by City Code Section 111.32 (A). A temporary license issued pursuant to this section shall expire according to its terms. A temporary licensee shall be subject to all state and local liquor laws. The fee for a temporary license shall be established by Resolution of the City Council from time to time.

The motion was made by Alderman Woll, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to give a first reading to the proposed ordinance amending Title XI, Chapter 111 of the Worthington City Code - Liquor Regulations, by the addition of Subchapter 111.35.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Oberloh - Nothing to report but mentioned a letter received from the Okabena-Ocheda Watershed Board that could be kept in mind for future hospital dollars discussion.

Alderman Ten Haken - Attended a Transportation Committee meeting last Friday - ATP #7 is receiving applications for enhancement projects, and one of the projects submitted was for an underground tunnel to pass under Hwy. 23 by Marshall, similar to what was discussed in our case. There are also dollars that have been dedicated for trail projects that will be available even in a tight budget - we shouldn't sit on our hands.

Alderman Kuhle - Noted the recent letter to the editor thanking the City for opening up the airport during the winter storm, and commended Jim Laffrenzen and MnDOT for making that decision. Also wanted to commend the community for the great show of support for the people who jumped in the lake to raise money for the Southwest Honor Flight.

Alderman Nelson - Nothing to report.

Alderman Wood - The HRA Board met, they need a new member appointed to that Board to fill the unexpired term of Lowell Schissel. Also wanted to thank Alderman Kuhle for all the hard work he has done regarding the Honor Flight.

Alderman Woll - The Senior Committee met - they are eager for an opportunity to work with the Housing Partnership. The leaks that had been reported at the new aquatic center were being overstated and were not as big as being rumored. There will be a 10 day shut down to repair, which will be coordinated with the grand opening of the pool.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

Craig Clark, City Administrator, noted there had been an accident in the county during the recent bad weather involving a collision with a snow plow, and issued a warning to the residents of the potential danger.

### **CLOSED SESSION UNDER MN STAT. § 13D.05, SUBD. 3 (A) - PERFORMANCE EVALUATION - CRAIG CLARK**

Mayor Oberloh announced Council would be going into closed session as allowed by Minn. Stat.

§ 13D.05, Subd. 3(a) for performance evaluation of Craig Clark, City Administrator.

The motion was made by Alderman Ten Haken, seconded by Alderman Nelson and unanimously carried to close the meeting. Upon roll call, the following were present for the closed session: Mike Woll, Ron Wood, Scott Nelson, Mike Kuhle, Lyle Ten Haken, Alan Oberloh.

The City Clerk returned for the portion of the closed session with the employee.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Kuhle and unanimously carried to reopen the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to follow the conditions for salary increase as specified in Mr. Clark's employment contract with the City, based on his satisfactory evaluation.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Alderman Wood, seconded by Alderman Woll and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Janice Oberloh  
City Clerk