

Browns Valley Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
December 22, 2014

Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.
Call to Order	The regular council meeting of the City of Browns Valley, MN was held at the Public Library. Council members present were Brenda Bartz, Richard Johnson, Jeanne Dusing, Ken Warren, and Tony Miller. Also in attendance were: Candy and Dave Duffield, Lori Goodhart, Carly Goodhart, Jeff Borgheiinck, Arlene Dobbs, Kathi Serocki, Chad LeClair, Mike Heck, Bernice Piechowski, Brad Bartz, Tony Serocki, Matt, Franzese, and Tom Schmitz. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Mayor Bartz.
Minutes	Upon motion from Miller asecond by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved the minutes of the December 8, 2014 Regular Council meeting and November 17, 2014 Library Board meeting.
Bills	<p>Following presentation and discussion of the bills it was moved by Warren with a second by Dusing that the following resolution be adopted.</p> <p>BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Browns Valley that the payment of the following city bills be and is approved as presented.</p> <p>Motion passed 5-0.</p>
Building Permits	None
Visitors	Harold Hansen did not attend the meeting.
Communications	Notices for the 2015 Newly Elected Officials and Experienced Officials Leader Conferences were reviewed.
Unfinished Business	None
New Business	<p>Following presentation of a bill from Nancy Peterson for her legal counsel, documentation from Ms. Peterson's discipline hearing and communication from the League of Minnesota Cities legal counsel it was moved by Dusing with a second by Warren that the City deny payment for the legal fees of Nancy Peterson. Council member Johnson abstained from the vote.</p> <p>Upon motion from Dusing second by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved closing the Liquor Fund and transferring \$123,322.27 into the General Fund.</p> <p>Council members reviewed financials for the current year, debt service schedule, levy history, and 2015 budget that will be sent to the State Auditor.</p> <p>Upon motion from Dusing second by Miller and passed 5-0, council approved Resolution 14.18 Resolution Approving the 2014 Tax Levy, Collectable in 2015.</p> <p>Upon motion from Dusing second by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved the same pay increase as the rest of the City employees.</p>
Department Reports	New council members will be sworn into office on January 5, 2015 at City Hall.

Library Piechowski reported that there are 40 persons per day utilizing internet per day. The internet usage in 1013 was 9 per day.

Fire Department The fire department purchased new gloves with a grant through West Central MN EMS Corp. The wiring on Truck #1 has been shorting out in the outside storage compartments as they are wired on one fuse. They have replaced the existing lighting with LED bulbs. Several crew members traveled to Beardsley to see their Jaws of Life. The fire department's Christmas party will be the third week of January.

Public Works The guys are working on the picnic tables from the park.

City Attorney Matt reported his activities for the month

Ambulance There are three people that have returned applications to become members of the ambulance service. They have agreed to attend the class in Ortonville after the first of the year.

Morgan Bartz was an Emergency Medical Responder. She took the Emergency Medical Technician class in college and has passed her tests.

Council approved to run the advertising for the ambulance manager position for another week in regional West Central Minnesota and South Dakota newspapers.

Administration None

Adjournment Upon motion from Dusing second by Johnson and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Thomas A Schmitz, Clerk

Brenda Bartz, Mayor