

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

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 was: Shirley Ecker, Jim Ecker, Steve Fenlon, Shelly Roscoe, Matt Franzese, and Tom Schmitz. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Bartz.

Upon motion from Miller with a second by Warren and carried 5-0, council approved the minutes of the March 10, 2014 regular meeting.

Following presentation and discussion of the bills it was moved by Warren with a second by Dusing that the following resolution be adopted.

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.

Motion passed 5-0.

Aaron Fattore/Rebecca Bucklin – Smith's Addition, Block 10, Lots 5,6,7: add a deck to the house, replace window, roof fascia, repairs, plumbing, floor joists, stairs, electrical wiring, sheet rock, patio door.

Upon motion from Miller with a second by Dusing, council approved the building permit for Aaron Fattore and Rebecca Bucklin.

The public hearing was opened requesting comments regarding the approval of issuing and sale of the Health Care Facilities Revenue Note for St. Francis Health Services of Morris. No comments were taken.

Upon motion from Dusing with a second by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved Resolution 14-11: Resolution Approving the Issuance and Sale of a Health Care Facilities Revenue Note, Series 2014 (St. Francis Health Services of Morris, Inc. Project) and Authorizing the Execution of Documents Relating Thereto.

Shirley Ecker attended the meeting on behalf of the BV Historical Society. She gave an update on work that the committee would like to do at the Sam Brown Cabin. The Historical Society will pay for work that will be done on a beaded display cabinet. She is asking for approval for this project from the council.

Upon motion from Dusing with a second by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved work that will be done at the Sam Brown Cabin.

Nancy Peterson attended the meeting to discuss her PERA retirement.

Council read a letter from US Housing Urban Development stating that they received the City's letter of interest concerning the Valley Vista apts. At this time they are gathering information to clarify and support determination of the final terms and conditions of the sale of the property. They will contact the city once this is accomplished including the sale price.

Upon motion from Warren with a second by Miller and passed 5-0, council approved the Record of Rate Schedule for 2014.

Upon motion from Warren with a second by Dusing and passed 4-1 with Johnson voting no, council approved the Mayoral Proclamation in Observance of National Donate Life Month.



***CITY OF BROWNS VALLEY, MINNESOTA
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION***

***IN OBSERVANCE OF
NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH***

Whereas April is considered National Donate Life Month; and

Whereas Organ, eye and tissue donation is a gift which extends hope and healing to those in need; and

Whereas Nearly 115,000 Americans and approximately 3,000 people in Minnesota are waiting for a life-saving transplant; and

Whereas There is a serious shortage of transplantable organs in the United States, resulting in only 28,000 transplants and nearly 6,000 preventable deaths each year; and

Whereas One organ, eye and tissue donor can save or improve the lives of up to sixty people; and

Whereas Minnesota is a leader in registered organ, eye and tissue donors. Any person of any age can become a donor by indicating their preference on their state ID or by registering on-line through either Donate Life Minnesota or Lifesource, one of America's Leading organ procurement organization

Now, Therefore, I, Mayor Brenda Bartz do hereby proclaim April, 2014 as

NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

AND, I urge all residents of Browns Valley to mark this day by taking the time to consider becoming an organ donor in order to help others continue to celebrate life.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Browns Valley, Minnesota to be affixed on this 24th day of March, 2014.

Brenda Bartz, Mayor

Upon motion from Miller a second by Warren and passed 5-0, council approved the bid from Fargo H2O to install a fire hydrant in the amount of \$2,840.00 plus freight.

Upon motion from Dusing with a second by Johnson and passed 5-0, council approved the estimate from Johnson Jet-Line Sewer Cleaning & Pipe Inspection to clean and televise 2,050 feet of Broadway Avenue in the amount of \$3,129.00 including mobilization costs.

Schmitz will send out letters reminding dog owners that the pet license is due.

The City will receive a \$2,423.00 reimbursement from liquor liability insurance for fiscal year 2013.

Schmitz will contact Mr. Tchida to establish the product that he doesn't want to purchase.

Fire Department will be conducting an exercise on April 7. It will consist of dissecting two cars and incorporating automotive extrication with the ambulance service. The training will be conducted by the Alexandria Technical College and paid for through a state fire grant. Three hours of classroom credit will be given for this training.

Chief Bartz added that a few years ago the department purchased a pump that was to be used for water extrication. The pump has been fitted with the needed parts and will be ready to use should the need come.

The annual fish fry will be on April 19.

Franzese clarified State Statute or laws and PERA that govern and identify required steps when an employee terminates employment or retires.

Council discussed brush pile abatement notices that were sent out last fall.

MN DOT will install signs stating No Engine Braking on Hwy 28 at both entrances of the City. Tony has contacted the Counties to request consent to install signs on their roads leading in and out of the city. Additional signs have been ordered.

CliftonLarsonAllen has concluded their field work with the City. They will complete the audit and report to the State by the end of March and give a report to the council at the April 14th meeting.

Serocki will be speaking with the company that services our water tower asking if they could stop when in the area to inspect the interior seal to identify the life expectancy. This will identify if the seals will last for another few years or if they should be replace in 2014.

Schmitz read a library update.

Motion to adjourn at 6:20pm by Miller, seconded by Dusing. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Thomas A Schmitz, Clerk

Brenda Bartz, Mayor