

**KIESTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010**

The Kiester City council held a regular/organizational meeting on Monday, January 11, 2010. Members present were Mayor Roger Oldfather, council members Jack Moon, Marcus Elvebak, Don Jensen, Ted Mattick, Clerk Kari Jacobson, and Marlin Albers. Fire Chief Brandon Hagenson, and Assistant Fire Chief Wayne Johnson were also in attendance.

Mayor Oldfather called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Jacobson provided a list of 2010 appointments and committees. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Jensen to approve the following appointments: Carried 5-0.

Official Depository-First State Bank of Kiester  
Official Bank Guarantor-United Banker's Bank  
Official Newspaper-Courier-Sentinel  
EDA Investment Banker-Northland Securities  
Clerk/Treasurer-Kari Jacobson  
City Council Vice-President-Jack Moon.

Moon made a motion that was seconded by Jensen to approve the following committees for 2010: Carried 5-0.

Park-Ted Mattick & Don Jensen  
Police-Jack Moon & Ted Mattick  
Dogs (Nuisance/Animal control)-Don Jensen & Ted Mattick  
Liquor Store-Jack Moon & Marcus Elvebak  
Clinic-Jack Moon & Don Jensen  
Community Center-Don Jensen & Marcus Elvebak  
Grocery Store-Jack Moon & Marcus Elvebak  
EDA Board-Roger Oldfather, Jack Moon, Al Bauman, Larry Hummer, Doug Trytten, & Mary Heaney  
Fire Department Liaison-Marcus Elvebak & Don Jensen  
Emergency Radio Meetings-Marcus Elvebak

Other 2010 business discussions were meeting schedules, mayor/council per-diems, mileage rate, salaries, and election judge rates.

- \*Mayor meeting per-diem \$55.00 per meeting
- \*Council meeting per-diem \$40.00 per meeting
- \*IRS Mileage Rate for 2010-.50 per mile for business travel
- \*Election Judge rate-\$7.25 per hour
- \*2010 Salary changes-None budgeted for 2010

Jacobson read the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as read was made by Moon and seconded by Jensen. Carried 5-0.

Brandon Hagenson (Fire Chief) shared a list of the new officers for the Fire Department for 2009:

Chief: Brandon Hagenson  
1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief: Wayne Johnson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief: Jerry Alphs  
Captain: Dan Willaby  
Captain: Jason Kluender  
Fire Marshall: Jim Schroeder  
Training Officers: Adam Suhr & Josh Halvorson  
Secretary: Tim Engebretson

Moon made a motion that was seconded by Elvebak to approve the Fire Department officers for 2010. Carried 5-0. Hagenson also provided an update to the council regarding the activities of the Fire Department for 2009. Hagenson also requested that 8 fire department members attend training in March. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Moon to approve the training. Carried 5-0. Hagenson updated the council regarding the upcoming radio upgrade. He indicated that the county received a grant to purchase radios, and radios will be contracted out to city entities that would require them. Jensen questioned the process of keeping the fire hydrants clear of snow and ice. Albers and the sentence to serve employees have been digging out some hydrants and Hagenson indicated that the department has a work session scheduled and would be addressing the situation. He also indicated that he would ask for the public's help in adopting a hydrant and keeping it free from snow and ice.

Jacobson prepared a list of claims to be paid, a list of bills paid for December, and a list of bills paid to date for January. A motion was made by Elvebak, and seconded by Jensen to approve the claims to be paid, and the financial report as presented. Carried 5-0.

Mayor Oldfather and Clerk Jacobson provided an update regarding general maintenance expenses and the lease agreement for the grocery store. Jacobson will continue discussions with Brad. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Moon to lower the rent for the grocery store to \$650.00 per month for 5 months. Carried 5-0.

Albers provided a maintenance update to the council. He indicated that we have had more than enough snow. He indicated that he would be taking the International Truck back in for a replacement PTO pump. He also shared an estimate of \$968.14 for a door replacement at the grocery store. He also advised the council that now is the time to replace the compressor in the big cooler at the grocery store. Jensen made a motion that was seconded by Elvebak to go ahead with the repairs/replacements. Carried 5-0.

Mayor Oldfather and Clerk Jacobson shared miscellaneous correspondence that has been received by the city. Mayor Oldfather reminded the council of a meeting with Region 9 members on Thursday @ noon to put together the agenda for the upcoming Wind Study Community Forum on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. at the Kiester Community Center.

Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Mattick to adjourn the meeting. Carried 5-0.

Submitted by  
Kari L. Jacobson  
City Clerk/Treasurer