

**KIESTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2009**

The Kiester City council held a regular meeting on Monday, June 8, 2009. Members present were Mayor Roger Oldfather, council members Jack Moon, Marcus Elvebak, Don Jensen, Ted Mattick, Clerk Kari Jacobson, and Marlin Albers. Members from the public in attendance were Gloria Peters, Mike Wigern, Elaine Perleberg, Sadie Burkow, and Rich Jensen.

Mayor Oldfather called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Oldfather shared ordinance #60809 regarding the establishment of a rural/urban tax district for the property owned by the Orville Wigern family. No public input was received. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Jensen to approve ordinance #60809. Carried with a roll call vote and all voting in favor of said motion.

Elaine Perleberg requested permission to block off a portion of Eighth Street on Sunday, June 28th, during the afternoon hours. Moon made a motion that was seconded by Jensen to approve her request. Carried 5-0.

Sadie Burkow from Our Savior's Youth Group requested permission to block a portion of the street on the south side of Tank's and Tummies sometime in mid July for a youth group car wash. Jensen made a motion that was seconded by Mattick to approve the request. Carried 5-0.

Jacobson requested an amendment to the April meeting minutes changing the name of Sue Cory to Sue Wiltse from the tax hearing minutes. Jensen made a motion that was seconded by Moon to approve the amendment. Carried 5-0. Jacobson read the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with a correction of the lawn watering hours being 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. and from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. was made Elvebak and seconded by Mattick. Carried 5-0.

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

Jacobson presented a building permit for Clifford & Annette Bentley. Moon made a motion that was seconded by Jensen to approve their building permit. Carried 5-0.

Albers provided a maintenance update to the council. He indicated that he has received word that the newest fire hydrants which are on Main Street are being recalled, and the company will be repairing under warranty. He indicated that he is done discharging the ponds. He also advised the council that the bottom two sections of the water tower will be repainted prior to Kiester Days. Albers reported that Donn Slette removed a tree in the alley on the 8th Street, and also that Main Street will be seal coated on June 15th weather permitting. Albers and Jacobson shared a conversation they recently had with Roger Barber, Manager of the Farmer's Coop Elevator regarding servicing the

underground tank at the retail center. Albers will visit with Curt Korn from WFS regarding the future service of the tank. Albers advised the council of his upcoming vacation from June 26th through July 3rd. He will have replacements in place prior to leaving. A brief discussion followed regarding truck upgrades, and street repairs. An estimate of \$2500.00 was acquired from M&H in Blue Earth to sandblast, paint, and move the box off the yellow truck and onto the tanker truck. The group will continue to work on getting the fire truck converted to a dump truck, and the possibility of acquiring an additional dump truck. Street repair will be determined at a later date when the city has a clearer picture of the LGA situation.

The council reviewed the bids for the replacement of the Ambulance garage roof. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Moon to approve the lowest bid of \$3649.11 to Rich Jensen for the steel roof replacement. Carried 5-0.

Mayor Oldfather shared requests from Forever Bermas, Kiester Legion, and Kee Lanes for their Kiester Days activities. Moon made a motion that was seconded by Elvebak to approve their requests. Carried 5-0.

Jacobson updated the council regarding the summer rec program. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Moon to allow Jacobson to work out the summer rec director pay with Deb Wigern. Carried 5-0.

Jacobson advised the council that the letters went out to property owners regarding mowing, and unmaintained properties. She also updated the council on a parcel #27.200.2060 that the redemption period has expired. She also shared information from the previous week's meetings she had with Zoa Heckman (Faribault County EDA Director) and also with Josh Fitch a Loss Control Consultant with the League of Minnesota Cities.

Jacobson provided financial reports to study for council suggestions regarding the budget for 2010. Jacobson shared the information she is receiving regarding the unallotment powers the Governor will be utilizing to cut LGA payments to cities in 2009 & 2010.

Mayor Oldfather turned the meeting over to council president Jack Moon and requested the council reduce the rent from the Laundromat from \$175.00 to \$150.00 per month. Elvebak made a motion that was seconded by Mattick to approve his request. Carried 4-0. Oldfather abstained from voting.

Mayor Oldfather and Clerk Jacobson shared miscellaneous correspondence that has been received by the city. Jacobson shared delinquent water bills with the council. A brief discussion followed regarding the procedure for shut-off and collection. Jacobson shared upcoming meeting/training information. Moon updated the council with information from the recent police meeting. The sheriff's department is requesting residents to make sure they have visible house numbers on the houses. House numbers are helpful to delivery personnel, fire, police and ambulance department.

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

Submitted by
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