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City of New Prague



City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, January 4, 2011

Mayor Nickolay called the meeting to order with the following members present: Nickolay, Bartusek, Bruzek, Guerrette, Ryan. Absent: None

Staff Present: Mike Johnson, Ken Ondich, Dennis Seurer, Mark Vosejпка, Patty Solheid and Mary Jo Hruby.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

City Administrator, Mike Johnson, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Mayor Chuck Nickolay and Council Members Dave Bruzek and Shawn Ryan.

Mayor Nickolay introduced City Attorney Scott Riggs, Kennedy & Graven. Attorney Scott Riggs requested reappointment as the City's Attorney. He has been the City's attorney for approximately the past 8 years.

It was moved by Bruzek and seconded by Guerrette to appoint Scott Riggs of Kennedy & Graven as City Attorney for the City of New Prague. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Nickolay made the following nominations for the 2011 Council appointments to the Boards and Commissions and it was moved by Bartusek and seconded by Bruzek to approve the following 2011 Council appointments:

- Utility Commission - Chuck Nickolay
- Park Board - Shawn Ryan
- Planning Commission - Dave Bruzek
- Joint Powers (City/School District) - Mark Bartusek
- Golf Board - Mark Bartusek
- EDA - Chuck Nickolay and Kristin Guerrette
- Cedar Lake Sanitary District - Shawn Ryan
- Scott County Transit Review Board - Kristin Guerrette
- Ambulance Advisory Committee - Dave Bruzek

All voted in favor of the motion.

It was moved by Ryan and seconded by Bruzek to appoint Council Member Guerrette as 2011 Council Vice President. All voted in favor of the motion.

It was moved by Guerrette and seconded by Bartusek to approve the following 2011 personnel appointments:

- Police Chief - Mark Vosejпка
- Public Works Director - Dennis Seurer
- Planning Director - Ken Ondich
- Administrative Services Director - Patty Solheid
- Fire Chief - Jerry Novak (assuming he is re-elected by the Fire Department)

All voted in favor of the motion.

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It was moved by Bruzek and seconded by Guerrette to approve the following 2011 Official Depositories:

- Roundbank of New Prague
- State Bank of New Prague
- U S Bank of New Prague
- Wells Fargo Bank of New Prague
- Wells Fargo Investments of New Prague

All voted in favor of the motion.

It was moved by Guerrette and seconded by Bartusek to designate the New Prague Times as the official newspaper for the City for 2011. All voted in favor of the motion.

It was moved by Bartusek and seconded by Bruzek to approve the following appointments of consulting professionals:

- City Engineer/Municipal State Aid Street Engineer - SEH (Mr. Chris Cavett)
- City Financial Advisor - Springsted, Inc. (Mrs. Terri Heuton)

City Bond Counsel - Kennedy & Graven, Inc. (Mr. John Utley)

All voted in favor of the motion.

Discussion was held on the 2011 Board and Commission appointments and to re-advertize for applications until the end of January. The people on the Boards and Commissions will be notified that they will continue in office until the appointments replace them. Also discussed was modifying the language of the Boards and Commissions including their powers, duties and authorities.

It was moved by Bruzek and seconded by Guerrette to re-advertise for the Boards and Commissions until the end of January. All voted in favor of the motion.

The Council reviewed the Resolution appointing Mayor Chuck Nickolay and Council Members Dave Bruzek and Shawn Ryan as Commissioners to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. Historically, the Mayor and 4 Council Members have been the appointees to the HRA. Council Members Bartusek and Guerrette were initially appointed to the City HRA on September 7, 2010.

It was moved by Guerrette and seconded by Bartusek to approve RESOLUTION #11-01-04-01 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR CHUCK NICKOLAY AND COUNCIL MEMBERS DAVE BRUZEK AND SHAWN RYAN COMMISSIONERS TO THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN AND FOR THE CITY OF NEW PRAGUE. All voted in favor of the motion.

Planning Director Ken Ondich informed the Council of the Polka Lovers Klub of America seeking approval from the City Council to host two events scheduled for May 21 & 22 and August 19, 20, & 21 2011. There is substantial utilization of the Park

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Ballroom for these two events and they bring a significant number of people to the community for this activity. Due to the fact that there is not supposed to be overnight parking in the park, City Staff would like to have the City Council "authorize" these events in order to avoid any conflicts at the time the events are actually held. City Staff would recommend approval of the overnight parking request for the park (which would generally occur only during wet weather) for the dates requested by the Polka Club.

It was moved by Bruzek and seconded by Guerrette to authorize use of Memorial Park/Facilities for Polka Lovers Klub of America on May 21 & 22 and August 19, 20, & 21, 2011. All voted in favor of the motion.

Administrative Services Director Patty Solheid reviewed the Golf Club's 2010 projected ending cash balance and the 2011 membership revenue along with comparison to 2010 membership revenue. This will be addressed at the next Golf Board meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Guerrette and seconded by Bartusek to approve the following consent agenda items:

- A. Approve previous meeting minutes
- B. Approve claims for payment.

All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Nickolay read a memo from past Mayor Bender in regard to Michael Johnson's 2010 Performance Review. A closed session was held on December 17, 2010. A consolidated performance rating was determined to be a very satisfactory 3.92. The Memorandum was sent for presentation and acceptance in order to comply with Minnesota Statute 13D.05.

Mayor Nickolay stated in his "Minutes with the Mayor" in the City News he challenged the Citizens of New Prague to get involved with the City. He challenges the Council Members to get involved with the Citizens of New Prague and be out there talking to them and listening to them.

Council Member Bruzek stated concern about the snow plowing of sidewalks and complaints he got from residents that some sidewalks are not cleared completely. They have snow and ice packed on them making it impossible to walk.

Public Works Director Dennis Seurer stated it is an issue they are aware of and trying to address. Some areas the snow banks are so high that the snow blower can't get over the top of it so they are pulling some of the bank away.

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It was moved by Bartusek and seconded by Bruzek to adjourn at  
8:10 P.M.

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Charles L. Nickolay  
Mayor, City of New Prague

ATTEST:

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Michael J. Johnson  
City Administrator