

A regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Canby, Minnesota was held on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Members: Gene Bies, Denise Hanson, Nancy Bormann, Frank Maas, Nate Oellien

Absent: None

Visitors: Nicholas Johnson, City Administrator  
Gerald Boulton, City Attorney  
Zhenya Ward, Administrator's Intern  
Ryan Feiock, Canby News  
Jenifer Fadness, UMRDC  
Jody Olson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order.

The minutes of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 were reviewed. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to approve the minutes. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Nate Oellien entered the meeting at 7:02.

Jenifer Fadness from the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission was present to discuss the Prairie Waters magazine. The item was tabled.

Nicholas Johnson updated the Council on the situation with Water Billboards and the Minnesota Investment Fund grant received in 2008. Water Billboards had created more than the required jobs but not enough met the low to moderate income requirements. The consequence is that the City must pay back the full grant amount of \$71,000 back to the State. Bies produced a letter to send to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development requesting an amendment to the grant agreement to reduce the amount owed back. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Oellien to approve sending the letter. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

An Animal Impoundment Agreement between the City and Sarah Thorsteison for impoundment services was reviewed. A motion was made by Hanson and seconded by Maas to approve the agreement. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Nicholas Johnson announced that online and credit card payments for utility bills will be implemented next billing cycle.

The November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting was moved to November 6<sup>th</sup> to avoid conflicts with School Board elections.

The Chamber of Commerce requested a temporary 3.2 beer license for their holiday mixer event on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Oellien to approve the license. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Callie Squires is planning a Canby Humane Society walk/run route and requests the route be approved by Council. A motion was made by Oellien and seconded by Maas to approve the route. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A grant agreement from the Southwest Minnesota Arts Council for Canby Arts Council strategic planning was reviewed. A motion was made by Hanson and seconded by Oellien to approve the grant agreement. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A grant agreement from the Southwest Minnesota Arts Council for Canby Arts Council to conduct a community survey was reviewed. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Hanson to approve the grant agreement. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The old city hall bell was discussed. The direction of the Council was to paint it gold.

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to adjourn the meeting to closed session to discuss labor union negotiations. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to adjourn the closed session. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Hanson to reopen the regular Council meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

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Mayor

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City Administrator