

12/09/2009

The twelfth regular meeting of the Zumbro Falls 121<sup>st</sup> Council met December 9, 2009. All members were present. Mayor Al VanDeWalker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Christenson made a motion & Wilhelm seconded to accept the City Clerk's report and Solomonson made a motion and Wilhelm seconded to accept the Treasurer's report. Both carried 5-0. Fire report by Dan Preble stated that Jon Harrington is officially done this month. NIMS 300 Class is Friday through Sunday with 50 people in attendance, many area officers, since attendance is mandatory or funds will be pulled. The old blackboard was replaced by a white board. Dan asked about compensation for those who have to take Friday off from regular jobs to attend. Clerk to check back minutes to see if this has been done before. Mayor thought it was \$50/day possibly. A \$4,000 training grant was received through Riverland for period of 7/09 to 7/10 for fire fighting classes. Elections will be held next Monday night. The pump has been drained for the winter. The old Hammond tower is gone and new tower in place. A donation will be given to City Clerk from gambling fund. Funds need to be earmarked for a new exhaust system. MNDOT meeting is 1/6/10 at 6:00 PM at City Hall regarding the closing of 63 for bridge repair. Fire Department is asked to be at the meeting. A notice will be posted at Falls Standard, Nette's Café & City Hall. The Mayor felt it was not a good time of the year to replace the chairs which the Fire Department wanted to split 50/50, because of the budget. Dan asked that Atkinson cut a place in the snow in the middle of the road for fire trucks to be able to go out more easily. Money was stolen from Charitable Gambling, but the owner paid the money back.

Dallas is unable to plow old town sidewalk because the county packs the snow on it. Jerry Pahl will bill us \$50 each for putting up & taking down Christmas decorations. Electric eyes were purchased from Viking electric for the decorations. Dallas thought the water tower was fixed a couple of weeks ago. We are still working on getting monitor. Christenson & Henn will not be at the special meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM for Ordinances. As long as entertainers are wearing G strings and pasties, the dancing is not considered Adult Entertainment. The Cabaret wants full nudity. Ordinances to be put into place to establish undeveloped areas as sites for Adult Entertainment, Christenson questioned the possibility of firming up liquor licenses where Adult Entertainment is allowed.

Lights in new development look nice. The Park will get a light next summer which will run off pump house electricity. Jackie Eischens has 20 days to pay \$750 in court costs. Christenson made a motion and Solomonson seconded that TIF money of \$7,000 will be paid to Peoples State Bank of Plainview. Car. 5-0. We should pay 2 times per year in May & December. \$824.71 is being kept for operating expense. 449 Nicholas is now occupied and has contacted City regarding Water & Sewer. 2009 Water & Sewer delinquents were sent to Washasha to be assessed on taxes. The CD will be cashed upon maturity and \$25,000 will be transferred to Water & Sewer. A part of the total CD is Park Fund improvement. Website changes for May- August total \$60. Disbursement will be made. Motion by Christenson, seconded by Solomonson that \$235 Rural Water Association Membership will be sent so we stay active members. Car. 5-0. Motion by Christenson, seconded by Wilhelm to accept pop, cigarette and games of skill licenses.

Car 5-0. Solomonson made a motion to approve the bills and adjourn. Seconded by Wilhelm, 5-0 car.

Joyce Greer  
City Clerk