



**200 Center Avenue South
Montrose, Minnesota 55363**

**CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 10, 2010**

Pursuant to call and notice the Montrose City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Andy Kauffman, Council Members Ryan Andreae, Sharon Knodel and Jeff Petersen. Also present were Sarah Schwarzhoff, city attorney, Justin Kannas, city engineer, and Barb Swanson, city administrator. Council Member Scott Jensen was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alex Hunter the winner of the VFW and Auxiliary Americanism Award presented to a student of Montrose Elementary School.

Agenda

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Andreae to approve the agenda with the addition of Tretter property on Nelson Boulevard and Personnel Committee. Carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Knodel, seconded by Petersen to approve the Consent Agenda with the items as follows:

- A. Minutes: April 12, 2010, prepared by Barb Swanson
April 21, 2010, Board of Review and Equalization, prepared by Wendy Manson
 - B. Accounts Payable: May 10, 2010, \$141,498.37, prepared by Wendy Manson
 - C. Fire Department Accounts Payable: May 10, 2010, \$5434.50, prepared by Wendy Manson
 - D. Utility Billing Adjustments: April 2010, prepared by Sheila Salonek
- Carried 4-0-1. Council Member Jensen abstained; he was not present at the April 12, 2010 meeting.

Wright County VFW Post 1901

Bob Putnam, Quartermaster of Wright County VFW Post 1901, was present to submit a proposal for the sale of property located adjacent to the southeast corner of Lions Park.

Motion by Andreae, seconded by Jensen to hold a Closed Session at the end of the June 14, 2010 council meeting to discuss an offer for the property. 5-0.
The Planning Commission will review the proposal at their next meeting.

Salonek Quiet Title Action

Sarah Schwarzhoff, city attorney, reviewed the quiet title action the city is taking to clear the title of the city owned property located at 200 2nd Street North.

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Andreae to approach Werner's and ask them if they would give the city 12 feet of their property. Carried 5-0.

Proposed Loitering Ordinance

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Knodel to allow city staff to move ahead with ordinance for action at the June 14, 2010 council meeting. Carried 4-1.
Opposed Andreae.

Fire Department

The Fire Department received a thank you note from Life Link that was read aloud by Mayor Kauffman.

Craig Otto and Jeff Walhalla passed the Fire Fighter I course and Darin Orr passed the Fire Fighter II course.

Marketon reported that the 800 MHz radios are fully operational.

Public Works

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Jensen to accept the bid from Knife River for \$12,289.60 to pave the sections of road on 3rd Street South and 3rd Street North. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Knodel, seconded by Andreae to approve hiring 2 seasonal employees in the Public Works Department. Carried 5-0.

Marketing Montrose

Swanson will continue to pursue marketing strategies for the city.

Request for Council Action: Joel Estes

Justin Kannas, city engineer, will meet with the property owner and the contractor to discuss what work needs to be completed to restore Mr. Estes yard. Kannas will report back to the city council with the progress in June.

Kannas reported that a newsletter had been hand delivered to every home in Montrose Mobile Manor prior to the start of the 2008 Interceptor project.

Wright County Transit Study

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Petersen to not participate in the Met Council Transit Study. Carried 4-1. Opposed Knodel.

Wright County Mayor's Meeting

Montrose will host the June 16th Wright County Mayor's Meeting. Mayor Kauffman invited the council members and their guests to attend.

Tretter Property, 411 Nelson Boulevard

Schwarzhoff reported that Tretter's will accept the offer from LaTour Construction for damage to their property during the 2008 Interceptor Project.

Personnel Committee

Council Member Jensen recommended that the entire city council assume the duties of the Personnel Committee.

This item was tabled to the June council meeting.

Acknowledgements

- Marysville Township United Fund donated \$500.00 for the summer recreation program
- Montrose Clean Up Day city crew: Sheila Salonek, Roger VanderLinde, Dan Remer, Jason Hilgers and Wayne McCormick.
- Montrose Fire Department
- Pastor Frank Moyer for his service to the community
- Sonya Tourville for holding Women's Night Out

Adjournment

Motion by Andreae, seconded by Knodel to adjourn at 8:40p.m. Carried 5-0.

Andy Kauffman, Mayor

Barbara Thwing-Swanson, Administrator