# VELVA CITY COMMISSION REGULAR SESSION, DEC 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 7:00PM

Velva City Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Commission President Scott Blotter. Pledge recited. Commissioners present; Anderson, Keller, Price, Jacob.

Others in attendance; Alan Walter, Kelly Jemtrud, Ken Kitelinger, Jim Wilson, McKenzi Kossan, Lisa Jacob.

Motion Jacob/Price to approve the, Dec 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 agenda with the addition of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Purchase under Old Business and New Years Eve Fireworks under New Business. Voice call votes yes, unanimous.

Motion Keller/Jacob to approve the Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Regular Session minutes carried. Voice call votes yes, unanimous.

#### **GUESTS**

Ivan Canevello did not attend the meeting, he filled out a complaint form on people from the school parking and blocking his driveway, the previous week and it was passed on to the police.

Brent Fischer did not attend the meeting.

### **AUDITORS REPORT**

#### **Bills & Financials**

Motion Anderson/Price to pay the bills in their entirety carried. Voice call votes yes, unanimous. Acme Tools \$137.50, Aggregate Construction, Inc. \$420.00, Circle Sanitation \$5,567.75, Dakota Fluid Power, Inc. \$644.04, Dakota Pump & Control \$1,400.00, First District Health \$44.00, Fred Pryor Seminars \$128.00, Gaffaney's of Minot \$284.79, Gravel Products, Inc. \$1,552.54, Itron \$1,535.79, Menard's \$87.83, ND Dept of Health \$1,213.73, S.R.T. \$513.68, Walmart Community Card \$65.14.

#### **CITY COMPLAINTS**

Two Complaint Forms were filed against Emily Halverson's dogs. Letters and fines were issued. Ruth Keller filed a complaint on someone releasing her dogs from their chain, the issue was passed on to the police and she was advised to call them the next time it happens.

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Motion Price/Keller to approve the Thex building permit carried. Voice call votes yes, unanimous.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING**

#### **Alan's Report**

Discussion was held on canceling the walking path project to the Cenex due to lack of support from Farmers Union Oil. Motion Price/Keller to postpone application for the walkway path grant until sometime in the future carried. Voice call votes yes, unanimous.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Motion Anderson/Jacob to authorize Blotter to sign for the City of Velva for the purchase of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave W for \$1 and reimburse \$7,500 for street repair carried. Voice call votes yes, Anderson, Keller, Jacob, Blotter. Voice call votes no, Price. Motion passes 4-1.

Jim revised the Water Resolution to read as:

**Resolution # 2015-01** 

Velva Water & Sewer Rates

WHEREAS, the City Commission had North Dakota Rural Water review the current rate structure the City of Velva charges for water and sewer services;

WHEREAS, based on North Dakota Rural Water's analysis, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, the City Commission believes that the current rate structure does not adequately account for anticipated inflation, equipment replacement, capital improvement, emergencies, debt service, or financial reserves; and

WHEREAS, it is the City Commission's intent to implement a rate system that will replace the existing rate structure with one that will provide adequate funds to maintain and improve the aforementioned services in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF VELVA, NORTH DAKOTA, that the City of Velva shall increase the rates charged for water and sewer services to achieve a minimum operating ratio of 1.5% beginning January 1, 2016. The City Commission shall review these rates annually and adjust the rates accordingly to achieve the minimum operating ratio, which shall take effect on the 1st day of January of each year WHEREUPON, this resolution was introduced, passed, and declared adopted this 28th day of December, 2015.

Motion Price/Jacob to approve Water Resolution #2015-01 carried. Roll call votes Anderson-y, Dave-y, Price-y, Jacob-Y, and Blotter-y, unanimous.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion was held on whether or not fireworks are allowed on New Year's Eve. City ordinance Section 11-115 states it is not.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Anderson/Keller to adjourn 7:49 pm carried. Voice call votes yes, unanimous.

Commission President Scott Blotter Deputy Auditor Lisa Jacob