

**Approved Minutes
City Council Regular Session
January 11, 2016
Monday 7:00 p.m.**

The regular session of the City Council, City of Renville, Minnesota was called to order on January 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Wertish

City Council Members present were Jeff Pike, Brent Dahl, Al Rohlik and Shane Wohlman. Also present were Mayor Janette Wertish and City Administrator/Clerk Kari Gislason. Present in the audience were Nelida Marcus and Mitch Peterson. Council Member Jeremy Hinderks joined the meeting at 7:01 p.m and Dan Keltgen joined the audience at 7:37 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Jeff Pike and seconded by Brent Dahl to approve the agenda with the following changes: adding Dan Keltgen to Public Comments and also moving the Mayor’s Report to Item #3. The motion carried 5 to 0.

3. Mayor’s Report

Mayor Wertish delivered the state of the city address which highlighted events that took place in Renville in 2015.

4. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Shane Wohlman and seconded by Jeff Pike to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2015 Regular Council Meeting The motion carried 5 to 0.

5. Invoices Payable

A motion was made by Jeremy Hinderks to approve the following invoices:

Check #	Name	Amount	Comments	Date
32167	ICMA	\$50.00	Sunvold, Nathan #302283	12/28/2015
32168	MN OFFICE OF ADM HEARINGS	\$50.00	Smith Annexation	12/31/2015
32169	STUBSTAD INSURANCE AGENCY	\$500.00	Purchase 407 S. Main Street	12/31/2015
32170	SOUTHWEST MN HOUSING PARTNERSH	\$9,292.00	Deed #21	1/5/2016
032171	AFLAC	\$74.52	Insurance	1/11/2016
032172	AMBROZ, ZACH	\$40.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement	1/11/2016
032173	AMERIPRIDE SERVICES, INC	\$122.78	Community Center Contractual	1/11/2016
032174	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$68.90	City Hall Internet	1/11/2016
032174	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$46.90	Sewer Internet	1/11/2016
032174	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$49.85	Fire Hall Internet	1/11/2016
032174	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$40.40	Public Works Internet	1/11/2016

032174	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$47.90	Police Dept. Internet	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$65.89	Library Telephone	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$163.50	Water Dept. Telephone	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$151.26	City Hall Telephone	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$61.84	Sewer Dept. Telephone	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$63.43	Public Works Telephone	1/11/2016
032175	CENTURYLINK	\$80.38	Police Dept. Telephone	1/11/2016
032176	COALITION OF GREATER MINNESOTA	\$1,038.00	Membership 2016	1/11/2016
032176	COALITION OF GREATER MINNESOTA	\$1,038.00	Membership 2016	1/11/2016
032176	COALITION OF GREATER MINNESOTA	\$1,038.00	Membership 2016	1/11/2016
032177	COMMUNITY ELECTRIC	\$201.66	Supplies for Well House	1/11/2016
032177	COMMUNITY ELECTRIC	\$64.48	Inspect motor and replace bearings	1/11/2016
032178	DVS RENEWAL	\$128.00	License Tabs 2016 - Streets	1/11/2016
032179	GENERAL FUND	\$500.00	Water Bookkeeping	1/11/2016
032179	GENERAL FUND	\$500.00	Sewer Bookkeeping	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$104.18	Library Gas Service	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$165.92	Clerk Gas Service	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$384.71	Sewer Gas Service	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$494.82	Water Gas Service	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$172.68	Fire Dept. Gas	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$137.76	Police Dept. Gas	1/11/2016
032180	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$115.77	Community Center	1/11/2016
032181	HUMANE SOCIETY OF KANDI & MEEK	\$65.00	Unclaimed stray - 5 days	1/11/2016
032182	JEFF SLAGTER BLADING	\$75.00	Mowing City Limit Roads 2015	1/11/2016
032183	LANG S AUTOMOTIVE CENTER, INC.	\$8.49	Sewer supplies	1/11/2016
032183	LANG S AUTOMOTIVE CENTER, INC.	\$664.21	Shop supplies	1/11/2016
032184	LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNOLOGY	\$138.25	2016 LETG Software Maintenance	1/11/2016
032185	LMC INSURANCE TRUST	\$3,052.63	Sewer Insurance	1/11/2016
032185	LMC INSURANCE TRUST	\$763.16	Fire Insurance	1/11/2016
032185	LMC INSURANCE TRUST	\$6,323.30	City Insurance	1/11/2016
032185	LMC INSURANCE TRUST	\$763.16	Water Insurance	1/11/2016
032186	MAIN STREET BAR & GRILL	\$700.00	PD Building Rent	1/11/2016
032187	MATHESON TRI-GAS DBA VALLEY	\$102.51	Shop - Welding Supplies	1/11/2016
032188	MAYNARD S FOOD CENTER	\$2.78	Water Dept. supplies	1/11/2016
032189	MENARDS	\$436.40	Supplies for Main St. fence	1/11/2016
032190	MN PIPE & EQUIPMENT	\$4,851.26	Fire Hydrant repairs	1/11/2016
032191	MN STATE FIRE DEPT ASSOC.	\$135.00	2016 MSFDA Membership Dues	1/11/2016
032192	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$251.75	Sewer Testing	1/11/2016
032192	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$233.75	Sewer Testing	1/11/2016
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032193	NCPERS MINNESOTA	\$80.00	Insurance	1/11/2016
032194	NORTHERN BUSINESS PRODUCTS	\$18.29	Office Supplies	1/11/2016
032195	OBERLOH & ASSOCIATES, LTD.	\$390.00	Auditing Services - 2014 TIF reporting	1/11/2016
032196	OLIVIA HARDWARE INC.	\$27.98	Ice melt	1/11/2016
032197	OLIVIA TIRE & SERVICE INC.	\$1,340.00	Street Dept. tires	1/11/2016
032198	PIKE, JEFF	\$97.69	Push/pull plates for restroom	1/11/2016
032199	RENCO PUBLISHING, INC.	\$28.47	Publishing - Abatement hearing	1/11/2016
032200	RENVILLE CO. SHERIFF S DEPT.	\$1,000.00	2016 LETG Software Support/Maintenance	1/11/2016

032201	RENVILLE COUNTY HIGHWAY	\$401.23	Salt/Sand Mix	1/11/2016
032202	RENVILLE RANGERS SHOOTING CLUB	\$500.00	2016 Yearly Membership	1/11/2016
032203	SCHROEDER, GARRET	\$112.50	Street Dept. Maintenance	1/11/2016
032204	SLAGTER, AARON	\$120.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement	1/11/2016
032204	SLAGTER, AARON	\$25.62	Office Supplies	1/11/2016
032205	SPIEKER, JEREMY	\$120.00	Cell Phone Reimbursement	1/11/2016
032206	SUNVOLD, NATHAN	\$84.88	Zipper repair	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$293.50	Medical Insurance-Jodi	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$4,360.00	Medical Insurance-Police	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$1,090.00	Medical Insurance-Sewer	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$796.50	Medical Insurance-Jodi	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$1,090.00	Medical Insurance-Street	1/11/2016
032207	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$1,090.00	Medical Insurance-Water	1/11/2016
032208	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	\$364.51	Clean up Brush site	1/11/2016
032208	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	\$34.16	WWT Refuse	1/11/2016
032208	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	\$17.55	Street Refuse	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$247.99	Library Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$5,286.61	Sewer Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$394.96	Community Center	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$275.54	City Hall Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$72.88	Park Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$128.29	Fire Dept. Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$492.09	Street Electric	1/11/2016
032209	XCEL ENERGY	\$1,228.46	Water Electric	1/11/2016
Total		\$57,463.63		

Shane Wohlman seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 to 0.

6. Monthly Financials:

A motion was made by Jeremy Hinderks and seconded by Jeff Pike to approve the monthly financials. The motion carried 5 to 0.

7. Public Comments:

Mitch Peterson from Light Beam Internet provided some background about the company and the internet packages they provide. They are interested in expanding into the Renville market, and the Council was excited about the options they offer. Steps needed to move forward with this project will be discussed at the next EDA meeting.

8. Committee/Staff Reports

A. City Administrator/Clerk

- ACH Payments: 20 new ACH sign ups, now at 97 total
- Community Center Dividers have been tuned up and inspected. W.L. Hall will be providing details on what will be needed to repair them.

- City Hall office staff have been assisting during the transition while Sacred Heart was hiring a City Manager. Someone has been hired for the position. Staff will be assisting in setting up Banyon applications.
- City Administrator/Clerk is working on the application for the USDA grant for the SCBA's
- Reminder: City Hall is Closed January 18 for Martin Luther King Day

A motion was made by Jeremy Hinderks and seconded by Brent Dahl to approve the City Administrator/Clerk Report as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0.

9. Discussion Items

A. West Central Sanitation Increase

West Central Sanitation is requesting an increase in rates effective February 1, 2015 due to a recent increase in Renville County Landfill disposal rates. The agreement between West Central Sanitation and the City of Renville does allow for the increase. Don Williamson offered to attend a council meeting to answer questions, but the council did not feel this was necessary. City Administrator/Clerk will contact West Central Sanitation to find out if they are notifying residents regarding the increase and also to see if the increase could be effective March 1.

B. Xcel Increase

Xcel notified the city of an increase to retail electric rates through a three-year multi-year rate plan which is effective January 1, 2016. The projected increases will be 6.4% effective Jan. 1, 2016, 1.7 % effective Jan. 1., 2017 and 1.7% effective Jan. 1, 2018. City Administrator/Clerk will contact them to find out if they are able to hold present rates for 90 days and if they will be notifying residents regarding the increase. Additionally, council would be interested in an Xcel representative attending a meeting.

C. January Meetings: Public Works 5:30 January 13, EDA 5:30 January 20, Public Safety will meet 5:30 February 10. Schedule HR Meeting

HR Meeting was scheduled for 12:15 pm Monday, January 25

D. Council Meeting Frequency

A council member requested the City Administrator/Clerk check into how often other cities meet for council meetings. Several in the area meet once per month and several in the area meet twice a month. Most of the council felt twice a month is efficient. Councilmember Rohlik suggested councilmembers are paid a flat salary so they are not penalized if they miss a meeting. This will be discussed further at the next HR meeting.

E. Rewriting the Rural Narrative

Information regarding an upcoming webinar entitled Rewriting the Rural Narrative was provided in the council packets. Webinar will take place at noon Wednesday, January 13 at the Renville County Government Center, Room 117.

10. Action Items

A. Elect Vice President

Council members voted for 2016 City Council Vice President. Motion was made by Jeff Pike and seconded by Al Rohlik to approve the election of Jeremy Hinderks as City Council Vice President. The motion carried 5 to 0.

B. Resolution 01-16: Approving Approving Appointments and Depositories for City

**CITY OF RENVILLE
RESOLUTION 01-16
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS AND DEPOSITORIES FOR
THE CITY OF RENVILLE, MINNESOTA**

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the City Council of Renville, Minnesota that the following persons, firms, and organizations shall be appointed to those positions or designated service providers as specified:

Fire Chief	Brandon Howard
Civil Defense Director	Police Chief, Aaron Slagter
Pioneerland Library Board	Dennis Ulrich
Weed Inspectors	Mayor Janette Wertish
	Pete Peterson
	Nathan Sunvold
City Attorney	Jon Saunders, Anderson Larson Hanson & Saunders
City Assessor	Renville County Assessor
City Engineer	Short Elliott Hendrickson
City Auditor	Dennis Oberloh, Oberloh & Associates
Financial Advisors	Northland Securities

Depositories	F&M Bank of Minnesota
	First Security Bank
	Dawson Coop Credit Union
	4-M Fund/RBC Capital Markets
	Northland Securities
Official Newspaper	Renville County Register
Renville County EDA/HRA	City Administrator/Clerk, Kari Gislason

Passed and adopted this 11th day of January 2016, by the City Council of Renville, Minnesota.

This resolution was offered by: Al Rohlik

This resolution was seconded by: Shane Wohlman

Voting in favor: Al Rohlik, Shane Wohlman, Jeff Pike, Brent Dahl and Jeremy Hinderks

Voting against: none

Attest:

Janette Wertish, Mayor

Kari Gislason, City Admin./Clerk

C. Resolution 02-16: Approving Committee Members

**CITY OF RENVILLE
RESOLUTION 02-16
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COMMITTEES FOR
THE CITY OF RENVILLE, MINNESOTA**

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the City Council of City of Renville, County of Renville, State of Minnesota, that the following persons shall be appointed to those committees and boards as specified for 2016.

Public Works:

Shane Wohlman*
Jeff Pike*
Pete Peterson
Jon Driggs
Lloyd Zabel
Scott Clemenson

EDA:

Jeremy Hinderks*
Shane Wohlman*
Michelle Mortensen
Cari Rice
Jim Hanson
Pam Kjersten

HR:

Al Rohlik*
Jeremy Hinderks*

Public Safety:

Jeff Pike*
Brent Dahl*
Dennis Ulrich
Dave Grund
Amy Gasca
Nelida Marcus
Brandon Howard
Aaron Slagter
Gary Wulf

Ad Hoc:

Al Rohlik*
Brent Dahl*
Alma Gasca
Adam Zaske
Angela Harms
Jim Polfliet
Tressa Negen

*Council Member

Mayor Ex-Officio on All Committees

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This resolution was offered by: Jeremy Hinderks

This resolution was seconded by: Jeff Pike

Voting in favor: Jeremy Hinderks, Jeff Pike, Shane Wohlman, Brent Dahl and Jeremy Hinderks

Voting against: none

Attest:

Janette Wertish, Mayor

Kari Gislason, City Admin./Clerk

D. Resolution 03-16: Accepting Donations

**CITY OF RENVILLE
RESOLUTION 03-16
RESOLUTION EXPRESSING ACCEPTANCE OF, APPRECIATION FOR AND
DESIGNATION OF DONATIONS RECEIVED**

WHEREAS, the following have made donations:

- Ron Lenz \$200.00

WHEREAS, this donation is specifically requested to be designated to go to Renville Parks

And;

- Quilters Along the Yellowstone Trail \$300.00

WHEREAS, this donation is specifically requested to be designated to go to the Community Center

WHEREAS, the City Council is appreciative of these donations and commends and thanks these individuals for their support, generosity and consideration,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Renville, Minnesota accepts and acknowledges with gratitude these donations; and designates the donations to be appropriated as requested

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This resolution was offered by: Al Rohlik

This resolution was seconded by: Jeremy Hinderks

Voting in favor: Al Rohlik, Jeremy Hinderks, Shane Wohlman, Brent Dahl and Jeff Pike

Voting against: none

Attest:

Janette Wertish, Mayor

Kari Gislason, City Admin./Clerk

E. Renville Area Ducks Unlimited Application for Exempt Gambling Permit

A motion to approve the Renville Area Ducks Unlimited Application for an Exempt Gambling Permit for March 11, 2016 was made by Jeremy Hinderks and seconded by Al Rohlik. The motion carried 5 to 0.

F. Revitalizing Renville Application for Exempt Gambling Permit

A motion to approve the Revitalizing Renville Application for an Exempt Gambling Permit for February 13, 2016 was made by Al Rohlik and seconded by Jeremy Hinderks. The motion carried 5 to 0.

11. Adjourn

A motion was made by Jeremy Hinderks and Shane Wohlman to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5 to 0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Dated at Renville, Minnesota this 11th day of January, 2016.

THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY
OF RENVILLE, MINNESOTA

BY _____
Janette Wertish, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY _____
Kari Gislason, City Administrator/Clerk