

**Approved Minutes  
City Council Regular Session  
March 10, 2014  
Monday 7:00 p.m.**

The regular session of the City Council, City of Renville, Minnesota was called to order on March 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Wertish

City Council Members present were Shane Wohlman, Raye McKim, Al Rohlik, Randy Johnson and Mayor Janette Wertish. Council Member Dennis Ulrich was absent. City Administrator/Clerk Kari Gislason was also present.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Al Rohlik and seconded by Shane Wohlman to approve the agenda. The motion carried 4 to 0.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Shane Wohlman and seconded by Randy Johnson to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2014 meeting. The motion carried 4 to 0.

4. Invoices Payable

A motion was made by Raye McKim to approve the following invoices:

Check #	Name	Amount	Comments	Date
30646	SUNVOLD, NATHAN	\$ 439.19	Flex plan reimbursement	2/20/2014
30647	ICMA	\$ 50.00	Sunvold, Nathan #302283	2/24/2014
30648	MN CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSN.	\$ 325.00	Police Dept. Seminar	2/24/2014
30649	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	\$ 191.08	Postage - Utility	2/25/2014
30650	SOUTHWEST INITIATIVE FOUNDATIO	\$ 750.00	Foundation support	2/25/2014
30651	SUNVOLD, NATHAN	\$ 572.60	Flex Plan Reimbursement	2/26/2014
30652	SOUTHWEST MN HOUSING PARTNERSH	\$ 3,791.00	Deed #3 - Admin Draw	3/4/2014
30653	MIDLAND INSTITUTE FOR ENTREPRE	\$ 250.00	CEO Program Presentation	3/5/2014
030654	AFLAC	\$ 51.52	Insurance	3/11/2014
030655	AMERIPRIDE SERVICES, INC	\$ 102.24	Community Center Contractual	3/11/2014
030656	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$ 58.82	City Hall Internet	3/11/2014
030656	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$ 58.81	Sewer Internet	3/11/2014
030656	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$ 58.81	Public Works Internet	3/11/2014
030656	ARVIG COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	\$ 58.81	Police Dept. Internet	3/11/2014
030657	AUTO COLLISION & COLOUR	\$ 3,734.32	'10 Chevy Impala Repairs	3/11/2014
030658	BIG COUNTRY 100.1 FM	\$ 175.00	City Marketing/Development	3/11/2014
030659	CENTURY MFG	\$ 351.48	Degreaser	3/11/2014
030660	CLARK EQUIPMENT CO.	\$35,592.20	S590 T4 Bobcat Skidsteer	3/11/2014
030661	COMMUNITY ELECTRIC	\$ 519.71	Door Opener at Shop	3/11/2014
030662	CRYSTEEL TRUCK EQUIPMENT	\$ 653.59	Truck repairs	3/11/2014
030663	DANUBE LUMBER SUPPLY	\$ 366.33	Water Dept. Supplies	3/11/2014
030664	ED DAVIS BUSINESS MACHINES INC	\$ 48.23	Office Supplies	3/11/2014
030665	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, IN	\$ 114.31	Medical Supplies	3/11/2014

030666	GENERAL FUND	\$ 500.00	Water Bookkeeping	3/11/2014
030666	GENERAL FUND	\$ 500.00	Sewer Bookkeeping	3/11/2014
030667	GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL, INC	\$ 1.45	Sewer Contractual	3/11/2014
030667	GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL, INC	\$ 1.45	Water Contractual	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 211.59	Police Dept. Gas	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 626.66	Sewer Gas Service	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 570.18	Clerk Gas Service	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 513.16	Library Gas Service	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 817.25	Community Center	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 1,060.13	Water Gas Service	3/11/2014
030668	GREAT PLAINS NATURAL GAS	\$ 934.50	Fire Dept. Gas	3/11/2014
030669	GTS EDUCATIONAL EVENTS	\$ 200.00	MCFOA Annual Conference	3/11/2014
030670	LANG S AUTOMOTIVE CENTER, INC.	\$ 32.48	Repairs - PD	3/11/2014
030670	LANG S AUTOMOTIVE CENTER, INC.	\$ 188.60	Repairs - Streets	3/11/2014
030670	LANG S AUTOMOTIVE CENTER, INC.	\$ 77.08	Repairs - Sewer	3/11/2014
030671	MAYNARD S FOOD CENTER	\$ 5.74	CC Supplies	3/11/2014
030672	MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL	\$ 300.00	Wastewater Conference - Nate	3/11/2014
030673	MN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	\$ 225.00	Membership 4/14-4/15	3/11/2014
030674	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$ 274.50	Sewer Testing	3/11/2014
030674	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$ 251.75	Sewer Testing	3/11/2014
030674	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$ 233.75	Sewer Testing	3/11/2014
030674	MVTL LABORATORIES, INC.	\$ 213.25	Sewer Testing	3/11/2014
030675	NCPERS MINNESOTA	\$ 96.00	Insurance	3/11/2014
030676	NIELSEN PLUMBING	\$ 347.00	Spieker Water Repairs	3/11/2014
030676	NIELSEN PLUMBING	\$ 697.00	Roger Lanning Water Repairs	3/11/2014
030677	POST BOARD	\$ 90.00	Police License Renewal	3/11/2014
030678	RENCO PUBLISHING, INC.	\$ 110.50	envelopes	3/11/2014
030678	RENCO PUBLISHING, INC.	\$ 32.00	Subscription renewal	3/11/2014
030679	RENVILLE CO AUDITOR-TREAS.	\$ 135.00	Special Assessments	3/11/2014
030680	SQUADS, INC	\$ 457.87	Repairs/updates '10 Impala	3/11/2014
030681	STAYE RENTAL	\$ 700.00	Police Dept. Building Rent	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 414.25	Medical Insurance-Jodi	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 3,091.00	Medical Insurance-Police	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 1,132.00	Medical Insurance-Street	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 1,132.00	Medical Insurance-Water	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 1,132.00	Medical Insurance-Sewer	3/11/2014
030682	SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES	\$ 717.75	Medical Insurance-Jodi	3/11/2014
030683	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	\$ 641.00	Hot Stuff Triple X	3/11/2014
030684	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	\$ 110.00	First Class Mailing Fee7/13-7/14	3/11/2014
030684	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	\$ 110.00	First Class Mailing Fee7/13-7/14	3/11/2014
030685	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 54.80	Street Dept. Telephone	3/11/2014
030685	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$ 53.00	Police Dept. Telephone	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 148.06	Fire Dept. Electric	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 294.82	City Hall Electric	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 265.33	Library Electric	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 422.57	Community Center	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 1,697.83	Water Electric	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 7,287.54	Sewer Electric	3/11/2014
030686	XCEL ENERGY	\$ 90.18	Park Electric	3/11/2014
	<b>Total</b>	\$77,511.07		

Al Rohlik seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

## 5. Monthly Financials

A motion was made by Al Rohlik and seconded by Randy Johnson to approve the monthly financials. The motion carried 4 to 0.

6. Public Comments - none, Irene Rebulloza was not present

7. Committee/Staff Reports

A. Public Works Committee Report

- Brush Site Dates:  
Committee recommends opening the brush site April 10 (weather permitting) - November 15, 2014.

A motion was made by Shane Wohlman and seconded by Al Rohlik to open the brush site from April 10- November 15 - weather permitting, same hours as last year. The motion carried 4 to 0.

- Update on generators for emergency power outage:
  - Generator at fire hall is hooked up if needed. It powers about ½ the building.
  - The large generator is available to power the lift station and well as needed.
  - Community Electric is putting together another bid for the Community Center
- ATV/Snowmobile Ordinance:  
Kari reported she had talked with Craig Hebrink regarding allowing snowmobiles and recreational motor vehicles on east Railroad Avenue which is now a private road. He had concerns regarding trucks and safety issues so does not want to see them allowed on this road. The committee discussed allowing them on the west side of Railroad Avenue and does not think this is a good idea either. They recommend allowing them to travel on East and West Dupont Avenue in order to get to their destinations. The following highlights changes to the ordinance which have been discussed.

7.04.03. **Operations Generally.** It is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle:

1. **Right-of-way.** On the portion of any right-of-way of any public highway, street, road, trail or alley used for motor vehicle travel, except that a snowmobile, all terrain vehicle, mini-truck, utility task vehicle or motorized golf cart may operate upon the most right hand lane of a municipal street or alley and may in passing or making a left turn operate on other lanes which are used for vehicle traffic in the same direction, ~~for purposes of going to or returning from a non-highway area of permissible operation, by the most direct route.~~
2. **Private Property.** On private property of another without specific written permission or consent of the owner or person in control of said property.
3. **Public Property.** On publicly owned land including park property, playgrounds and recreation areas.
4. **Church and Schools.** Within one block of any church during services or school while in session.

5. **Main Street.** At any time on Main Street between U.S. Hwy. 212 and the railroad right-of-way, except to make a right angle crossing at ~~intersections of Railroad Ave. and Bryant Ave.~~ and Dupont Ave.

A motion was made by Randy Johnson and seconded by Shane Wohlman to change the 7.04.03 ordinance as noted. The motion carried 4 to 0.

- Forfeiture Properties:

The committee discussed ideas for the four forfeiture properties the city purchased. Did not reach a decision regarding the properties located at 516 E Park Ave, 321 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, or 113 NW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Kari will research demolition fees required in order to have buildable lots on these properties.

The committee does recommend selling the parcel at 403 NW Emerson by sealed bid with a minimum bid of \$1000 and the purchaser being responsible for all closing costs and legal fees associated with the sale.

A motion was made by Raye McKim and seconded by Al Rohlik to sell the parcel at 403 NW Emerson by sealed bid with a minimum bid of \$1000 with the purchaser being responsible for all closing costs and legal fees associated with the sale. The motion carried 4 to 0.

- Nate, Pete and Kari met with John Mast from Rembrandt. Rembrandt is having calibration issues with their sewer meter. City employees will continue monitoring usage and are billing them for the discrepancies in November, December and January.
- Nate, Pete and Kari met with John Davy and Ashwani Kumar from Anaergia. They have filed their Environmental Assessment Worksheet and John and Ashwani will be meeting with the MPCA. City employees will be working on an SIU permit for them. They have also requested a public hearing and asked about possible dates.

A motion was made by Raye McKim and seconded by Randy Johnson to approve the Public Works Committee Report as presented. The motion carried 4 to 0.

## B. City Administrator/Clerk Report

Kari Gislason reported the following:

- Kari will be gone most of next week for the Clerk's Conference
- Received notification from DEED that the city was not chosen for the Demolition Loan Program.
- Negotiating rates with MVTV and Arvig. Also talked with Century Tel.
- Kari shared a copy of an article written by Jim Mulder's that highlighted issues faced by small towns across Minnesota

A motion was made by Raye McKim and seconded by Shane Wohlman to approve the City Administrator/Clerk Report as presented. The motion carried 4 to 0.

## 8. Discussion Items

- CEO Program - Those who attended Craig Lindvahl's Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO) presentation shared their thoughts on the program. Possibilities of bringing the program to this community are being investigated.

- An invitation for a discussion titled “What does the future look like for your community?” was shared with members of the council. The discussion will take place from 6:30 - 9:00 pm, March 31 at Max’s Grill in Olivia.

9. Action Items

A. Resolution 06-14: Retail Water Rates:

**CITY OF RENVILLE  
RESOLUTION 06-14  
RETAIL WATER RATES  
FOR THE CITY OF RENVILLE, MINNESOTA**

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Council of City of Renville, County of Renville, State of Minnesota, does hereby authorize and approve the following water rates for the customers of Renville effective April 1, 2014.

Retail Residential Water Rates for Customers:

1. Customer Fixed Charge (up to 2,000 gallons)	\$8.54
2. Usage Charge per 1,000 after first 2,000 but less than 10,000	
April 1, 2014	\$4.97
October 1, 2014	\$5.21
April 1, 2015	\$5.44
3. Usage Charge per 1,000 over 10,000	
April 1, 2014	\$5.25
October 1, 2014	\$5.50
April 1, 2015	\$5.75

Passed and adopted on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014, by the City Council of Renville, Minnesota.

This resolution was offered by: Shane Wohlman

This resolution was seconded by: Raye McKim

Voting in favor: Al Rohlik, Randy Johnson, Shane Wohlman and Raye McKim

Voting against: none

Attest:

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Janette Wertish, Mayor

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Kari Gislason, City Admin./Clerk

B. Renville Events Committee Application for Exempt Gambling Permit for 6/14/14

A motion was made by Al Rohlik and seconded by Randy Johnson to approve the Renville Events Committee Application for an Exempt Gambling Permit for 6/14/14. The motion carried 4 to 0.

C. 2014 Fire Department Contract - Sacred Heart Township

A motion was made by Raye McKim and seconded by Shane Wohlman to approve the 2014 Sacred Heart Township Fire Department Contract. The motion carried 5 to 0.

10. Mayor's Report

Mayor Wertish reported the following:

- The Mayor shared a thank you note from Mildred Zaske regarding funds the city provided in order to assist in maintenance expenses such as painting the building
- Mayor Wertish reminded everyone about the Family Fun Days event at Watertower Park on March 15

11. Adjourn

A motion was made by Al Rohlik and seconded by Randy Johnson to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 4 to 0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Dated at Renville, Minnesota this 10th day of March, 2014.

THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY  
OF RENVILLE, MINNESOTA

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Janette Wertish, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Kari Gislason, City Administrator/Clerk