**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GWINNER, SARGENT COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, HELD JANUARY 2, 2012 AT 5 PM IN THE GWINNER EMS BUILDING, GWINNER, ND 58040.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karla Ulven, ElRoy Odegard, Dan McKeever, Jerry Zetocha and Linda Johnson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Anderson, Dennis Howey, Paige Kerry, Jeff Leadbetter and Dave Even

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McKeever.

The minutes from December were approved as read.

Karla Ulven made a motion to approve the bills as presented and ElRoy Odegard seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. The following is a list of the bills for the month: Payroll $9241.56.

ND DEPT OF HEALTH 1/13/2012 $1,364.15

EPPLER & LEADBETTER 1/13/2012 $1,067.60

OSMONICS INC 1/13/2012 $1,688.06

IRS 1/10/2012 $130.52

THE SPRINGS GOLF COURSE 1/31/2012 $5,000.00

SARGENT COUNTY BANK 1/5/2012 $9,719.32

ARROWHEAD TRANSPORT INC 1/6/2012 $185.71

BUHL'S 1/6/2012 $45.00

BUSINESS FORMS & 1/6/2012 $95.50

DAKOTA PLAINS COOPERATIVE 1/6/2012 $2,273.91

DENNIS HOWEY 1/6/2012 $133.77

FARGO WATER EQUIPMENT 1/6/2012 $66.66

GROTBERG ELECTRIC INC 1/6/2012 $358.28

HANSEN LUMBER & HARDWARE 1/6/2012 $255.01

HANSON SANITATION 1/6/2012 $4,100.00

HAWKINS, INC 1/6/2012 $2,813.15

J & M PRINTING 1/6/2012 $251.28

JACOBSON IMPLEMENT 1/6/2012 $8.91

JEFF ANDERSON 1/6/2012 $82.34

K & S CARPET CLEANERS 1/6/2012 $138.00

MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS 1/6/2012 $30.00

NICHOLE J ZETOCHA-NOONAN 1/6/2012 $550.00

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY 1/6/2012 $4,432.46

R G, INC 1/6/2012 $545.00

RAY-MAC INC 1/6/2012 $34.00

RU THIRSTY 1/6/2012 $900.00

SARGENT COUNTY 1/6/2012 $3,816.04

SARGENT COUNTY TREASURER 1/6/2012 $12,127.86

TITAN 1/6/2012 $411.82

VERIZON WIRELESS 1/6/2012 $196.94

WASTE MANAGEMENT 1/6/2012 $834.08

ND PERS 1/9/2012 $870.59

ND STATE TREASURER 1/9/2012 $456.37

SARGENT COUNTY BANK 1/9/2012 $2,987.01

ND PERS 1/9/2012 $3,838.11

OLD BUSINESS:

There was not a police report.

Public works report was given by Dennis Howey. Dennis has been working on putting together some estimates for updating the water plant. All of the year end reports for the water management programs have been completed. He met with the lift station company and with the company that sells the sewage grinder. He recommends going with the new company for service contracts on the lift stations. Denny also stated that snow removal has been going extremely well this year.

TIF PROJECTS:

Jerry Zetocha made a motion to rebid the lift station for the industrial park. Karla Ulven seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. Bids will be opened at 4 pm on February 6th at the EMS Building. Main Street is complete except for the seal coat and painting which will be done in the spring. The Community Center project is moving ahead slowly.

There was a second reading for the water, garbage and sewer rates. Linda Johnson made a motion to accept the rates as stated for a second reading. ElRoy Odegard seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Discussion was held on developing Bobcat Drive. There was nothing new to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor McKeever has done some investigating on ways to get new homes into town. He has looked at some homes in the flood plain in Fargo and Moorhead. There is an auction on January 15th that has some homes on it that we may be able to get at an affordable price and move to Gwinner. Jeff Leadbetter will look into the legal issues with doing a project like this. We will meet again on January 9th to determine the ability of the City to do this kind of project.

The annual salary review was discussed. Jeff was asked to gather some more information and bring back to the council.

The meeting was recessed until January 9th at 5pm at which time salaries and the housing project will be discussed.

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Jeff Anderson, City Manager Dan McKeever, Mayor