

**ARLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
DECEMBER 5, 2016 AT 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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1. Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approve the agenda and any agenda additions

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed for consideration will be enacted by one motion unless the Mayor, a member of the City Council, City Staff or a person in attendance requests an item to be removed from the Agenda.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - A) Approval of the October 26th Special Arlington Council & Joint EDA Committee Meeting Minutes.
 - B) Approval of the November 7th Regular Meeting Minutes.
 - C) Approval of the November 7th Special Meeting Minutes.
 - D) Approval of Bills.
 - E) Approval of Three (3) Residential/Commercial/Dumpster Solid Waste Permits. (Renville-Sibley Sanitation, Gaylord Sanitation and Waste Management)
 - ~~F) Approval of City Recycling Contract with RSS. (\$224/week) (removed for discussion purposes)~~

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Annual Truth-in-Taxation Hearing (6:05 p.m.)
6. Public Hearing on 2017 Street & Utility Improvements.
(City Engineer Jason Femrite, Bolton & Menk). (6:35 p.m.)

PETITIONS, REQUESTS, & COMMUNICATIONS

7. Addressing the Council
8. Announcements
 - A) City Offices Closing @ Noon Friday, December 23rd & closed all day Monday, December 26th in Observance of the Christmas Holiday.
 - B) City Offices Closed Monday, January 2nd in Observance of the New Year's Holiday.
 - C) City of Arlington ACT on Alzheimer's Committee Hosts Public Meeting, Thursday, January 12th @ 2 p.m., Arlington Community Center.
 - D) Sibley County Municipalities Association Semi-Annual Meeting, Thursday, January 26th @ 6:00 p.m., Gibbon.

- E) LMC’s Newly Elected Officials 2017 Leadership Conference, January 20-21, Mankato, MN.
- F) LMC’s Experienced Officials 2017 Leadership Conference, January 27-28, Bloomington, MN.

9. Communications

- A) October Water/Wastewater Report.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

10. Ordinances

- A) First Reading: Ordinance 311 – An Ordinance Amending the Arlington Zoning Ordinance Relating to Outdoor Storage.
- B) First Reading: Ordinance 312 – An Ordinance Amending the Arlington Zoning Ordinance Related to Solar Energy Systems as Accessory Uses.

11. Resolutions

- A) 65-2016 – Order Improvements and Authorize Preparation of Plans & Specifications for the 2017 Street & Utility Improvement Project.
- B) 66-2016 – Authorizing a Farm Land Lease Agreement between the City & Kenneth Jahr for Nickel Property and Directing Execution Thereof.
- C) 67-2016 – Authorizing a Farm Land Lease Agreement between the City & Kenneth Jahr for Swenson Property and Directing Execution Thereof.
- D) 68-2016 – Approve/Deny a Conditional Use Permit to Allow a Natural Gas Liquid Direct Transloading Operation @ Warren Dressen’s Property.
- E) 69-2016 – Supporting a Fastlane Grant Application for Highway 212 Improvements.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

12. Accept/Deny Retroreflectivity Survey Results and Report (Mayor Nagel).

12.5 Approval of City Recycling Contract with RSS (\$224/week).

12.75 Chrome Book Discussions.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

13. Council Committee Updates

14. Open Discussion

- A) Johnson Controls Update.
- B) Codification Update.

ADJOURNMENT

**ARLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2016**

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., Mayor Richard Nagel presiding.

Members present: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Mayor Nagel, Wills

Members absent: Nuesse

Also present: City Adm. Donabauer, Attorney Arneson (arrived late), Councilmembers Elect Tom Hatlestad & Adam Cowell, Curt & Barb Reetz, Cathy Dunn, Nancy Mathwig, Rod Stemme, Keith Dressen, Interim Police Chief Voigt, Kurt Menk

Motion by Jaszewski, seconded by Heiland, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the agenda with the following change:

Remove item 4F) 'Approval of City Recycling Contract with RSS (\$224/week)' from consent agenda and move it to item 12.5 for discussion purposes.

Add item 12.75) Chrome Book Discussion.

Motion by Wills seconded by Heiland, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A) Approval of the October 26th Special Arlington Council & Joint EDA Committee Meeting Minutes.
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- ☞ Approval of the November 7th Special Meeting Minutes.
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Mayor Nagel recessed the regular meeting to hold the Truth-In-Taxation Public Hearing.

Mayor Nagel called to order the annual Truth-In-Taxation public hearing. Adm. Donabauer stated that the purpose of the hearing was to discuss the budget and proposed tax levy, explain the increases/decreases and hear public comments and questions on same. She added that this hearing was not to discuss property valuations; as they are handled in the spring by the County Assessor at the Board of Equalization meeting. She gave a detailed presentation and explained the budget, budget process and tax process. Various questions were asked/answered. It was noted that no written or oral comments had been received prior to the public hearing.

Mayor Nagel adjourned the Truth-In-Taxation Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Mayor Nagel recessed the regular meeting to hold a public hearing.

Mayor Nagel called to order the public hearing pertaining to the proposed 2017 Street & Utility Improvement Project. Various residents were present. Engineer Femrite reviewed the details of the project (preliminary engineer's estimate), which included two alternates and the proposed assessments. He commented that the 2017 project will be an extension of the 2015 project, which includes a larger storm sewer system. Femrite commented that there will be some changes made to street widths and weight restrictions. Various questions were asked/answered and/or comments made.

Mayor Nagel adjourned the public hearing and reconvened the regular meeting.

It was noted that there were no citizens present to address the Council on non-agenda items.

The following announcements were reviewed:

- G) City Offices Closing @ Noon Friday, December 23rd & Closed all day Monday, December 26th in Observance of the Christmas Holiday.
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The Council reviewed the following communications:

- A) October Water/Wastewater Report.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 311 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 169, An Ordinance Amending Subdivision 10, Section 13 of Ordinance 169, the Arlington Zoning Ordinance, Relating to Outdoor Storage, was held. Adm. Donabauer explained that the ordinance amendment further defines and clarifies what types of exterior storage are allowed in the City. The proposed amendment allows several types of outdoor storage without limit and a previous requirement regarding surfacing of outdoor storage pads in side and rear yards is proposed to be removed. In addition, the proposed amendment now allows boats and RV's to be stored outdoors year round; however in the off-season they must be screened from the view of adjacent public streets and alleys. Nice looking yards are what are being strived for.

The first reading of Ordinance No. 312 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 169, Section 13, Subdivision 11 Related to Solar Energy Systems as Accessory Uses, was held. Adm. Donabauer explained that SE Schools had requested an amendment to the recently adopted solar energy ordinance to allow ground-mounted systems in the P-I Public Institutional District. The proposed wall-mounted system the School was to have installed was not feasible due to structure loading and impractical due to the cost to bring the wall to appropriate weight bearing specifications. Battcher stated the array proposed is identical to what Winthrop has in front of their school.

Councilmember Battcher introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 65-2016

A RESOLUTION ORDERING IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE 2017 STREET & UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, after due Notice of Public Hearing on the construction of improvements for the City of Arlington, Minnesota, hearing on said improvements was duly held and the Council heard all persons desiring to be heard on the matter and fully considered the same; and

WHEREAS, at said hearing there was available a reasonable estimate of the amount to be assessed and a description of the methodology;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Arlington, Minnesota as follows:

1. Said improvements are necessary, cost-effective, and feasible as detailed in the feasibility report.
2. It is advisable, expedient and necessary that said improvements as described in the Notice of Hearing thereon be constructed, and the same are hereby ordered made.
3. The improvements described in said Notice of Hearing are hereby designated and shall be known as the 2017 Street & Utility Improvements.
4. The consulting engineers, Bolton & Menk, Inc., are hereby directed to prepare final plans and specifications for said improvements.
5. The City Council declares its official intent to reimburse itself for the costs of the improvements from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds.
6. The City Council shall let the contract for all or part of the work for said improvements or order all or part of the work done by day labor or otherwise as authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 429.041, Subdivision 2 or Subdivision 2a within one year of the date of this resolution ordering said improvements.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Jaszewski, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Wills; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Nuesse.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Arlington this 5th day of December, 2016.

Signed: /s/ Richard Nagel
Mayor

Attested: /s/ Liza M. Donabauer
City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Councilmember Heiland introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 66-2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FARM LAND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARLINGTON AND KENNETH JAHR FOR PID 31.0874.000 (NICKEL PROPERTY) AND DIRECTING EXECUTION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Arlington Economic Development Authority is the fee owner of property commonly referred to as the “Nickel Property”; and

WHEREAS, the property consists of seven (7) acres of tillable land and is identified as parcel number 31.0874.000; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that offering a farm lease for a two year period beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018 is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the subject farm lease property was advertised for bids in the *Arlington Enterprise* on November 10, 2016 and November 17, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA reviewed bids received at its regular meeting December 1, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA finds the high bidder to be Kenneth Jahr with a bid of \$298 per acre; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA recommends the City Council authorize and direct execution of a two year lease agreement with Kenneth Jahr effective January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Arlington hereby authorizes and approves the execution of a farm lease with Kenneth Jahr beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Administrator is authorized and directed to execute said farm land lease.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Wills, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Wills; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Nuesse.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Arlington this 5th day of December, 2016.

Signed: /s/ Richard Nagel
Mayor

Attested: /s/ Liza M. Donabauer
City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Councilmember Wills introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 67-2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FARM LAND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARLINGTON AND KENNETH JAHR FOR PID 31.0884.000 (SWENSON PROPERTY) AND DIRECTING EXECUTION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the City of Arlington is the fee owner of property commonly referred to as the “Swenson Property”;
and

WHEREAS, the property consists of 10.45 acres of tillable land and is identified as parcel number 31.0884.000;
and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that offering a farm lease for a two year period beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018 is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the subject farm lease property was advertised for bids in the *Arlington Enterprise* on November 17, 2016 and November 24, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA reviewed bids received at its regular meeting December 1, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA finds the high bidder to be Kenneth Jahr with a bid of \$298 per acre; and,

WHEREAS, the EDA recommends the City Council authorize and direct execution of a two year lease agreement with Kenneth Jahr effective January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Arlington hereby authorizes and approves the execution of a farm lease with Kenneth Jahr beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Heiland, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Wills; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Nuesse.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Arlington this 5th day of December, 2016.

Signed: /s/ Richard Nagel
Mayor

Attested: /s/ Liza M. Donabauer
City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Councilmember Jaszewski introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 68-2016

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A NATURAL GAS LIQUID DIRECT TRANSLOADING FACILITY AT 39625 230TH STREET

WHEREAS, Bill Frothinger, d.b.a. Interstate Fuel and Energy, Property Lessee, and Warren Dressen, (Fee Owner) have submitted a request to operate a natural gas liquid direct transloading from rail car to tanker truck operation at 39625 230th Street; and,

WHEREAS, the request was approved under a Conditional Use Permit previously; and,

WHEREAS, the Conditional Use Permit has expired due to lack of establishment of the transloading use; and,

WHEREAS, The property is legally defined in Exhibit A attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, the property identification number is 31.0843.000; and,

WHEREAS, the Applicants represent:

- The use is limited to the direct transloading of natural gas liquids from rail cars to mobile tanker trucks.
- The use will not under any circumstance involve the transfer of more than 200,000 gallons/day of liquid propane from rail cars to tanker trucks.
- The use will not under any circumstances involve the loading of more than 20 tanker trucks on site per day.
- The use will not under any circumstances occupy greater than 100,000 square feet of the subject property.
- The equipment stored on site will be limited to one (1) transloader and one (1) one-ton pick-up truck. The storage of both items shall occur outdoors.
- Semi tractors and/or tankers will not be stored on site.
- Rail cars may be stored on the rail spur located on the subject site.
- There are no structures on the site currently. There are no structures proposed.
- The Applicants certify up to three employees may be at the site at one time.

- The property lessee will be responsible for maintaining the site, weed control, lawn care and snow removal on the property.
- Hours of operations may be up to twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
- No storage of hazardous materials shall occur on site, other than within rail cars and/or tankers as they are being transloaded.

WHEREAS, the proposed use is a conditional use under Section 9, Subdivision 3(A) of Ordinance 169, the Arlington Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing to accept input on the CUP request was published in the official newspaper on November 17, 2016 and sent to property owners within 350 feet of the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Committee conducted a public hearing on the CUP request on December 1, 2016 and accepted input on the CUP request; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Committee has reviewed the CUP request and has made the following findings:

- The planned land use and existing zoning are consistent with the proposed use.
- The Use is located in an area with primarily other industrial uses.
- The establishment, maintenance, or conducting of the use for which a permit is sought will not under the circumstances of the particular case be detrimental to the public welfare, or injurious to property or improvements in the neighborhood. The use is industrial in nature and conditions placed up on the property use relating to the Applicant's assuming sole responsibility for implementation of federal hazardous material safety laws and state the state fire code are appropriate and logical regulatory measures developed to further the public welfare.

WHEREAS, the Arlington City Council reviewed and discussed the CUP request on December 5, 2016 and accepted the Planning and Zoning Commission's findings of fact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARLINGTON CITY COUNCIL THAT: The City Council hereby approves a conditional use permit to provide for the direct transloading of natural gas liquids as defined below from rail car to tanker truck at 39625 230th Street subject to the following:

1. The 'Use' is defined as and limited to the direct transloading of the following types of natural gas liquids from rail cars to tanker trucks: Ethane, Propane, Butane, Isobutane, and Pentanes.
2. The 'Site' is defined as and strictly limited to Lot 5 and part of lots 4 & 6, Arlington Industrial Park, City of Arlington, Sibley County MN (full legal description attached) property identification number: 31.0843.000 as existing on December 1, 2016 the date of public hearing.
3. The approved Use is limited to the Site defined above and at all times shall meet the conditions set forth herein.
4. The Use shall at no time exceed the transloading of 200,000 gallons per day nor occupy greater than 100,000 square feet of the Site.
5. Equipment allowed to be stored at the Site is defined as and strictly limited to one (1) transloader and one (1) one (1) ton pick-up truck.
6. The Property Owner/Lessee hereby agree to store the aforementioned equipment allowed to be stored at the Site in a fashion that is safe, neat, and orderly.
7. The Property Owner/Lessee shall at all times keep the property weed free, control dust on the property, prevent soil erosion, prevent tracking of debris onto public rights of way, prevent contamination of soil, prevent infestation of rodents, prevent infestation by insects, and retain items in specific storage areas. It is noted the site is currently not in compliance with this standard due to lack of weed control.
8. The Property Owner/Lessee shall ensure each and every day that any material/debris tracked from the site on to County Road 12 is swept off the public right of way.
9. The construction of any structure (structure is defined as anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground or attachment to something having a location on the ground) shall necessitate a review of the use of the property, including the potential for requiring a conditional use permit (CUP) amendment as defined within the Limited Industrial District and zoning standards relating to conditional uses.
10. The construction of a structure, regardless of structure square footage and/or need for service connection, shall necessitate extension of municipal water and sewer service to the property.
11. All truck traffic maneuvers and parking, staging, or stacking shall occur on site on private property.
12. The Use shall be conducted in compliance with applicable state and federal rules, including but not limited to, 49 CFR 174.67 (as may be amended), 49 CFR 172.800 (as may be amended), 29 CFR 1910.199 (as may be amended), 29 CFR 1910.120 (as may be amended), and NFPA 58 (as may be amended).
13. The Use is subject to re-review and approval by the Fire Chief prior to establishment.

14. The Applicant shall supply a portable restroom at the site until such time as extension of municipal utilities is required.
15. The use shall at all times meet the requirements of Section 9, Subdivision 5 of the Zoning Ordinance (as may be amended) relating to noise, vibration, smoke, particulate matter, odor, sewer and water discharge, exterior lighting, and glare.
16. Any proposed signage will require the issuance of a sign/building permit.
17. This approval shall expire one year after date of approval unless the Applicant has commenced operation of the Use on-site.
18. This permit is subject to all applicable codes, regulations and ordinances, and violation thereof shall be grounds for revocation.
19. The City may revoke the CUP upon violation of the conditional use permit standards in the Zoning Ordinance or violation of the conditions of this resolution.
20. The conditional use permitted under this Resolution shall be revoked if the Use ceases for more than 12 consecutive months.
21. The Use permitted under this Resolution may change to a permitted use in the I-1 District without further action by the City Council; however the Use may not change to another conditional use without a new application and approval by the City Council.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Battcher, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Wills; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Nuesse.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Arlington this 5th day of December, 2016.

Signed: /s/ Richard Nagel
Mayor

Attested: /s/ Liza M. Donabauer
City Administrator

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor whose signature was attested by the City Administrator.

Councilmember Battcher introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 69-2016

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A FASTLANE GRANT APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY 212 IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, Highway 212 serves a critical role in connecting the Twin Cities to South Dakota and Beyond and has been designated a High Priority Interregional Corridor in the Twin Cities, while also being placed on the National Highway System;

WHEREAS, Carver County, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking FASTLANE funds to expand Highway 212 from a two-lane highway to a four-lane highway between the City Cologne and Carver;

WHEREAS, This two-lane gap poses a number of safety, access and mobility issues, while negatively impacting freight movement and economic development initiatives;

WHEREAS, To address these issues, Carver County and MnDOT have completed an extensive planning effort to determine innovative ways to expand the two-lane highway to a four-lane highway while reducing cost;

WHEREAS, The two-lane gap has been officially mapped and an Environmental Assessment has been approved;

WHEREAS, A four-lane highway will remove barriers to efficient freight movement, provide economic development opportunities at key locations, preserve existing infrastructure, and improve the corridor's mobility and safety for all users;

WHEREAS, forty-one communities and local chambers of commerce have passed resolutions supporting improvements to Highway 212 to expand the capacity of this highway and the Board of Commissioners of every county along the corridor has passed such a resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Arlington strongly supports this project and Carver County's application for funding under the FASTLANE grant program.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Wills, and upon poll being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: Battcher, Heiland, Jaszewski, Wills; and the following voted against the same: None; and the following abstained from voting: None; and the following were absent: Nuesse.

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Signed: /s/ Richard Nagel
Mayor

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City Administrator

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Mayor Nagel presented his retroreflectivity report pertaining to all stop and yield signs in town. The stop signs abutting state/county roads appeared to be new. It was noted that 74 stop signs passed and 54 stop signs failed; while none of the yield signs met retroreflectivity standards. The southeast area of town had the worst signs. Some signs were obstructed from view. All signs will have to be replaced over time. The Streets Department has purchased some signs already and started replacing them. This item is now being budgeted for each year.

Motion by Wills, seconded by Battcher, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the retroreflectivity survey results and report from Mayor Nagel.

Adm. Donabauer stated that she had pulled the City Recycling Contract off the Consent Agenda in order to inform the Council that RSS (only bidder) had proposed a 3-year contract versus 1-year (with a locked rate of \$224/week). It was noted that this past year appeared successful.

Motion by Wills, seconded by Battcher, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the City Recycling Contract with RSS at \$224/week (2 Saturdays each month) for 3 years.

Battcher presented some estimates for Chrome Books with varying screen sizes (electronic devices for Council to use during meetings versus paper packets). The Council appeared interested in the device.

Jaszewski provided an update on the hospital board. At the meeting they reviewed the budget, 2016 statistics and medical staff's revised by-laws. Jaszewski commented that the number one goal for next year is construction (bigger hospital rooms, adding a pharmacy, etc.). It was noted that Ridgeview has recently expanded to Belle Plaine and Le Sueur, including leasing Le Sueur's Ambulance Service.

Attorney Arneson provided a lengthy overview of the situation with Johnson Controls. The last communication he had was with their legal representative back in September. It was noted that the 10-year warranty was due to expire soon (approximately 1.5 years). The City has to decide what it wants to do: keep the current system or replace the system with a different more energy efficient/reliable one and whether or not to go after Johnson Controls. It was consensus to put this topic on a future agenda.

Adm. Donabauer talked about codification of the city ordinances. She stated that Attorney Arneson was working on this process. Attorney Arneson stated that he was approximately 80% done, but new ordinances keep getting adopted. He suggested holding a first reading at the next meeting.

Wills commented that the Council agreed to close the compost site for the winter. He was concerned about the chain placed across the opening, more specifically if a snowmobiler were to go through and not see the chain of what could happen. He suggested placing snow fencing across the opening.

Motion by Heiland, seconded by Wills, and passed by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 pm.

City Administrator Liza M. Donabauer

Mayor Richard Nagel