

City of Hewitt  
509 East Third Ave  
Hewitt, Minnesota 56453

City Council Minutes  
Regular Meeting

August 9, 2016  
City Hall, 7:00 p.m.

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**CALL TO ORDER** The Hewitt City Council met in regular session. Mayor Juanita Mitchell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The City Council and all present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Council present: Juanita Mitchell, Mayor  
Jim Opelia, Councilmember  
Donald Fitzgerald, Councilmember  
Alice Melzer, Councilmember

Staff present: Luke Mitchell, Maintenance  
Adam Templin, Fire Chief

Guests: Trinity Gruenberg, Officer  
Bobby Berndt, Marietta Mathews,  
Randy Atchley, Denise Irwin, Andy Jesuit,  
Craig Pomerence

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **approve the minutes as written**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Jim Opelia made the motion to **approve checks 14848 – 14873**, Donald Fitzgerald second, all in favor, motion carried.

**Maintenance Report** Donald Fitzgerald **approved the City to mow Angie Moats' and assess the bill to the property taxes**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

**Clerk's Report** Donald Fitzgerald **approved the transfer of \$5000 from each of the Water and Sewer Funds in order to cover the Street Bond Payment**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **put \$3000 worth of gravel on Kings Hill Rd to come out of the Municipal State Aid Street Maintenance Fund**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Fire Dept Report

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **table the two fire fighter applicants until next meeting so they can come into the meeting for an interview**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Adam Templin shared that the Fire Department is going to be hosting a permit to carry class on October 16<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds will go back to the Fire Department.

**\*\* UNFINISHED BUSINESS \*\***

Unightly Properties

The abatement process will start when the City Clerk, Tara Greer, is back from maternity leave in September.

**\*\* NEW BUSINESS \*\***

Kruzin-4-Kidz

Randy Atchley from Kruzin-4-Kidz shared that they would be stopping in Hewitt this year and requested a donation from the City of Hewitt. Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **donate \$500 to Kruzin-4-Kidz**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution #16-009

Donald Fitzgerald **accepted Resolution #16-009 Accepting Donation from Hewitt Lions**, Alice Melzer second, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution #16-010

Jim Opelia **accepted Resolution #16-010 Accepting Donation from the Wolf Lake Wolf Pack**, Donald Fitzgerald second, all in favor, motion carried.

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Jim Opelia made the motion to **sponsor the school photo pages in the Independent News Herald for \$240**, Donald Fitzgerald second, all in favor, motion carried.

**\*\* Requests & Complaints \*\***

Hendrickson Building Permit

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **approve Rebecca Hendrickson's building permit provided that she sign something to say that the single mobile home be removed**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Pomeranke Utility Credit Request

Jim Opelia made the motion to **adjust Craig Pomeranke's utility bill to the average sewer usage for March**, Donald Fitzgerald second, all in favor, motion carried.

All-American  
Roadhouse  
Requests

Jim Opelia made the motion to **grant the request from Matt Wedde from the All-American Roadhouse permission to close Front Street in front of the bar for parking for Kruzin-4-Kidz**, Donald Fitzgerald second, all in favor, motion carried.

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **allow the All-American Roadhouse to close Front Street in front of the bar for the James McKnight Suicide Rally and to allow the patrons to camp outside to prevent drunk driving. This is provided that the bar use plastic cups and aluminum cans and be liable for anything happening outside and the clean-up afterward**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Graphenteen  
Building Permit

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **approve Danny and Jeanne Graphenteen's building permit provided they go by the State Off-Set Law**, Juanita Mitchell second, all in favor, motion carried.

Officer Bobby Berndt will be working on a list of dogs in the City of Hewitt in order to get all the dogs licensed. Licenses need to be renewed every year and proof of rabies vaccination when the old one expires.

Meeting  
Adjournment  
8:23pm

Donald Fitzgerald made the motion to **adjourn the meeting**, Jim Opelia second, all in favor, motion carried.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_