

**BELLE PLAINE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
MAY 4, 2015**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

The Belle Plaine Boy Scouts Troop 324 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CALL TO ORDER. 2.1. Roll Call.

The Belle Plaine City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, March 2, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall, 218 North Meridian Street, Belle Plaine, MN. Mayor Michael Pingalore called the meeting to order with Councilmembers Gary Trost, Cary Coop and Scott Schneider present. Councilmember Paul Chard arrived at 6:37 p.m.

Also present were City Administrator Holly Kreft, Finance Director Dawn Meyer, Public Works Superintendent Al Fahey, Community Development Director Chelsea Alger, Police Chief Tom Stolee, City Engineer Joe Duncan and City Attorney Bob Vose. Wanda Savage served as the video recording operator.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Schneider, to approve the agenda as presented. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.

4.1. Regular Session Minutes of April 20, 2015.

4.2. Accept Resignation of Community Services Director Nelson Ladd.

4.3. Approving Large Assembly Permit by Belle Plaine Festival and Events for the Annual Bar B Q Days Celebration on July 17-20, 2015.

4.4. Approving Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Belle Plaine Festival and Events for the Annual Bar B Q Days Celebration.

4.5. Resolution 15-049 Appointing Sean Moriarty and Joshua Muehlenhardt as Seasonal Employees with the Belle Plaine Public Works Department.

4.6. Approving Large Assembly Permit by the Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for Annual Fundraising Event on August 22, 2015.

4.7. Approving Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for Fundraising Event.

4.8. Resolution 15-050 Award Bid for the 2015 Seal Coat Project.

4.9. Resolution 15-052 Approving Joint Powers Agreement with the School District for Community Services.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Schneider, to approve the consent agenda as follows: 4.1. Regular Session Minutes of April 20, 2015, 4.2. Accept Resignation of Community Services Director Nelson Ladd, 4.3. Approving Large Assembly Permit by Belle Plaine Festival and Events for the Annual Bar B Q Days Celebration on July 17-20, 2015, 4.4. Approving Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Belle Plaine Festival and Events for the Annual Bar B Q Days Celebration, 4.5. Resolution 15-049 Appointing Sean Moriarty and Joshua Muehlenhardt as Seasonal Employees with the Belle Plaine Public Works Department, 4.6. Approving Large Assembly Permit by the Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for Annual Fundraising Event on August 22, 2015, 4.7. Approving Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for Fundraising Event, 4.8. Resolution 15-050 Award Bid for the 2015 Seal Coat Project, 4.9. Resolution 15-052 Approving Joint Powers Agreement with the School District for Community Services. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

5.1. Community Services Department.

Community Services Director Nelson Ladd was not present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the Community Services Department report.

5.2. Public Works Department.

Public Works Superintendent Al Fahey was present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the Public Works Department report.

5.3. City Engineer Report.

City Engineer Joe Duncan was present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the City Engineer report.

5.4. Administration Report.

City Administrator Holly Kreft was present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the Administration report.

6. PUBLIC FORUM.

6.1. Recognition of Involved Citizens.

No one spoke during the public forum.

6.2. Scott County Commissioners.

1. Presentation on Proposed Sales Tax Program for Transportation.

Mayor Pingalore welcomed Scott County Commissioners Joe Wagner, Jon Ulrich and Michael Beard, County Administrator Gary Shelton, and Scott County Transportation Program Delivery Manager Lisa Freese.

Commissioners Jon Ulrich and Michael Beard spoke on behalf of the proposed Scott County Sales Tax program in which funds would be used for transportation, including mass transit. The transportation tax would enable Scott County to capture revenue from the 10 million visitors to Scott County. The projected revenues from the one-half percent sales tax and the \$20 excise tax is \$6 million annually. Commissioner Ulrich said he learned of the Minnesota Department of Transportation's denial of the city's recent application of \$750,000 to help fund the Enterprise Drive overpass project. He commented that if the county-wide sales tax is approved, it may be possible a portion of the collected revenue could provide funds. Commissioner Ulrich also stated that if the sales tax does not pass, the county may have to reconsider the \$700,000 that was committed to the overpass project and apply it another project that has inadequate funds. The Commissioners asked the Council for letters of support and advised that County action will be taken on this issue on May 12th.

Mayor Pingalore asked Commissioner Ulrich if the County would take away the \$700,000 slated for the overpass project if the sales tax does not pass. Commissioner Ulrich replied that he could not guarantee that it would not be taken away. Mayor Pingalore and Councilmember Schneider inquired about the priority list of projects if the sales tax passes. Scott County Administrator Shelton replied there are currently 13 unranked projects and the County's list, including Belle Plaine's overpass project. He further stated that the overpass project is in the advanced planning stages, far ahead of most of the other

projects. A high priority project is the intersection of TH169 and 41. Councilmember Trost commented on the importance of the overpass project for economic development. Commissioner Wagner spoke briefly and agreed with the importance of the project.

Mayor Pingalore thanked Scott County for the presentation.

6.3. Arbor Day Proclamation.

Mayor Pingalore read the Arbor Day Proclamation slated for May 18, 2015.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE SCHEDULED.

8. BUSINESS.

8.1. Presentation of Claims.

MOTION by Councilmember Trost, second by Councilmember Coop, approve the Presentation of Claims. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. ADMINISTRATION.

9.1. Upcoming Meetings.

- 1. Public Works, 11:00 am, Tuesday, May 5.**
- 2. Public Safety, 4:30 pm, TBD.**
- 3. Coffee with the Mayor, 7:00 am, Thursday, May 7.**
- 4. EDA, 5:00 pm, Monday, May 11.**
- 5. Planning, 6:30 pm, Monday, May 11.**
- 6. Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony, 4:45 pm, Monday, May 18, Prairie Park.**
- 7. Park Board, 5:00 pm, Monday, May 18.**
- 8. City Council, 6:30 pm, Monday, May 18.**

Mayor Pingalore reminded the Council of the upcoming meetings.

10. ADJOURN.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Trost, to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Krings
Recording Secretary