

**December 12, 2016
Regular Meeting**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Halstad was duly called and held at the Halstad Telephone Company Meeting Room in said City on December 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Ron Gotteberg presided at the meeting.

The following members were absent: Tom Maroney

Others in attendance: Lori DeLong, Darin Johnson, Brandon Mickelson, Todd Westcott, Lucas Speath

Ron Gotteberg moved to approve the agenda as modified. Renae Horning seconded the motion. Unanimous

Todd Westcott, Fire Chief was present to discuss some minor renovations needed to the fire hall office. He would like to update the ceiling tiles, flooring, etc. All funds would be paid out of the general fire equipment account. Renae Horning moved to approve. Ron Gotteberg seconded the motion. Unanimous

Minutes of the November 7, 2016 regular meeting were examined. Motion for approval was made by Shane Carlson and seconded by Renae Horning. Unanimous

Minutes of the November 14, 2016 special meeting were examined. Motion for approval was made by Renae Horning and seconded by Veronica Dye. Unanimous

All General claims for the month of November were examined. Motion for approval was made by Shane Carlson and seconded by Renae Horning. Unanimous

All Sunrise Apartment and Wimmer Home claims for the months of October and November were examined. Motion for approval was made by Shane Carlson and seconded by Renae Horning. Unanimous

The general checking bank reconciliation for the month of November was reviewed. Motion for approval was made by Renae Horning. Shane Carlson seconded the motion. Unanimous

The Power House liquor license application was tabled to a later meeting, as the application was not received.

Motion was made by Shane Carlson to issue a cigarette license to the Halstad Cenex. Veronica Dye seconded the motion. Unanimous

A closed meeting was called at 5:10 pm to discuss the legal matter City of Halstad vs. Reichert.

Closed meeting ended and regular meeting resumed at 5:48 pm.

During the November 7, 2016 regular meeting the Council approved authorized representatives for the joint powers agreement with the Northern Municipal Power Agency. This was acted upon in error. Instead, the joint powers agreement which needed approved representatives was the State of Minnesota Joint Powers agreement with the City of Halstad on behalf of its City Attorney and Police Department, through the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Shane Carlson moved to approve the Mayor as the authorized representative for the State of Minnesota Joint Powers agreement. Renae Horning seconded. Unanimous

Adjournment from the regular meeting for the Truth-In-Taxation meeting 6:00pm.

Renae Horning moved to approve the 2017 budget as revised and the 2017 tax levy at \$180,178. Veronica Dye seconded the motion. Unanimous

Regular meeting resumed at 6:51 pm.

Motion was made by Veronica Dye to approve James Brue, Norman County Attorney, as Attorney to handle criminal prosecution matters during 2017 at a rate of \$4,500 per year. Shane Carlson seconded the motion. Unanimous

Renae Horning moved to renew the law enforcement contract with the Norman County Sheriff's department for 2017 at a cost of \$25,852.69. Shane Carlson seconded the motion. Unanimous

Sunrise and Wimmer Home reports were provided and reviewed. No action taken.

Utilities report was provided. No action taken.

Renae Horning moved to approve a single day liquor license application from the Halstad Fire Relief Association for the date of February 5, 2017. Veronica Dye seconded the motion. Unanimous

Shane Carlson moved to adjourn. Renae Horning seconded the motion. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be January 9, 2017 at 5:30 pm.

Veronica L. Dye, Clerk/Treasurer