

TOWN OF SOUTH PRAIRIE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Peggy Levesque called to order and presided over the Regular Council Meeting of Tuesday August 1, 2006 at 7:04 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members: Dave Lykstad, Laura Heideman, Sibyl Thurston and Anthony Caldwell were present. Virginia Thompson was absent.

Also in attendance: Lois and Gary Erath; citizens and Judy Tremblay, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer. Mike Reynolds, Town Attorney, Wilkeson Mayor Janet Kepka, and Judge Robert Hamilton arrived after council meeting began.

- ❖ **Councilor Sibyl Thurston** moved to excuse Virginia Thompson from the council meeting as she was on vacation. **Councilor David Lykstad** seconded the motion. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for discussion. Discussion followed. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for the vote. **Motion carried unanimously.**

FLAG SALUTE:

Glen McKinney – Town Marshall Report:

Mayor Peggy Levesque stated that Marshall McKinney will not be at any more council meetings and that any instruction and/or discussion will go through Wilkeson Mayor, Janet Kepka.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – Gary & Lois Erath Variance at 318 Tacoma Avenue SW:

- ❖ **Councilor David Lykstad** moved to open the Public Hearing for Applicants Lois & Gary Erath for a variance at 318 Tacoma Avenue SW. Councilor Sibyl Thurston seconded the motion. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for discussion. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for the vote. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Peggy Levesque stated that the Public Hearing is open. She stated that the town received two memorandums from Mart Kask, and asked if everyone had a chance to read the first one. At the very end the recommendation was that the town council approve the variance application for Lois and Gary Erath provided that the height of the garage does not exceed sixteen feet (16') and the roof be a gabled roof to blend in with the neighboring residential properties. Now, we haven't seen anything about a sixteen foot limit prior to this so what the variance was asking for was a two foot as oppose to eight ft (8') set-back against the alley. **Councilor Tony Caldwell** stated that there is a ruling on height. Gary Erath asked if it was 30 ft. **Councilor Tony Caldwell** answered that it is a two story building Gary Erath responded that it's 22 ft or 24 ft. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** continued: Marla called the Building Inspector Dean Mundy and he gave the verbal opinion that the proposed height of 22 ft – 24 ft does not constitute an issue in this request. We finally got a message to Mart Kask and received a memorandum back dated July 31, 2006. In it there were several inaccuracies. We did get a call from Mart Kask today and Judy told him that from the street to the house was twenty ft (20') not five ft (5') as he had indicated which was incorrect. **Councilor Tony Caldwell** asked Gary Erath if the 2 ft from the property line was the building or the eave. Gary Erath stated that the cement slab probably would be 3-4 ft and the eave would hang over 2 ft. Gary looked at his plans and stated that the eaves are only 1 ft. More discussion followed.

- ❖ **Councilor Laura Heideman** moved to close the Public Hearing. **Councilor Tony Caldwell** seconded the motion. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for discussion. Hearing none. Called for the voted to close the Public Hearing. **Motion carried unanimously.** Public Hearing closed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Variance Application for Gary & Lois Erath at 318 Tacoma Ave SW

- ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to grant a variance to Gary & Lois Erath at 318 Tacoma Ave. SW to allow the applicants to deviate from the Town of South Prairie setback requirements as follows:

Eave of garage to be two ft (2') from property line on alley easement side north of the property and twenty ft (20') setback on the Tacoma Avenue side to the east of the property and a maximum building height of twenty-

four ft (24'). Councilor Sibyl Thurston seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for discussion. And called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

SURPLUS 1973 DODGE PICK-UP TRUCK: VALUE OF TRUCK: \$50.00

- ❖ Councilor David Lykstad moved to have the 1973 Dodge Pick-up Truck surplused with a value of \$50.00. Councilor Sibyl Thurston seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for discussion. Discussion followed. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR July 5, 2006:

- ❖ Councilor David Lykstad moved to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes with the corrections mentioned. Councilor Laura Heideman seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RECESSED COUNCIL MEETING FOR Monday, July 10, 2006:

Councilor Sibyl Thurston moved to accept the Recessed Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, July 10, 2006. Councilor David Lykstad seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RECESSED COUNCIL MEETING for Tuesday, July 18, 2006:

- ❖ Councilor David Lykstad moved to accept the Recessed Council Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, July 18, 2006. Councilor Laura Heideman seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for discussion. There being none, Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR JULY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,989.97:

- ❖ Councilor Laura Heideman moved to pay the July bills in the amount of \$35,989.97. Councilor David Lykstad seconded the motion. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for discussion. Discussion followed. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) DISCONTINUATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT WITH WILKESON:

- ❖ Councilor Laura Heideman moved to renew the motion made at previous council meeting to discontinue Law Enforcement with the Town of Wilkeson. Councilor David Lykstad seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Mayor Peggy Levesque called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

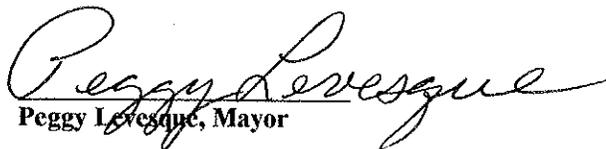
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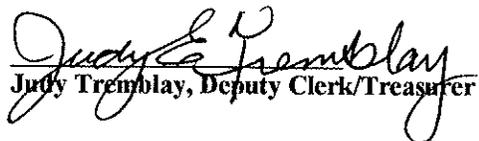
CLERK'S REPORT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT:

RECESS: RECESS MEETING TO TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2006 AT 7:00 PM:

- ❖ **At 9:30 pm, Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to recess the council meeting to Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at 7:00 pm. **Councilor David Lykstad** seconded the motion. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for the vote. **Motion carried unanimously.**


Peggy Levesque, Mayor


Judy Tremblay, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer