

GLENCOE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 17, 2009  
7:00 P.M.

At approximately 7:00 p.m. Mayor Wilson called to order the regular meeting of the city council with the following members present: Schrupp, Copas, Shamla, Pohland and Ziemer. Also present were City Attorney Jody Winters, Finance Director Trippel, Public Works Director Schreifels, Parks Superintendent Drew and Chamber President Dan Ehrke.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Copas made the motion approving the consent agenda as presented with Councilor Ziemer seconding the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion carried.

A. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 2, 2009.

B. Approve the following building permits:

1. Bruce Donnay, 1604 Birch Ave N; Window Replacement
2. Bert Halloway, 1115 Abbott Ave; Window Replacement
3. LeRoy Brelje, 820 Baxter Ave N; Window Replacement
4. Kevin Grimm, Jr., 1725 Greeley Ave; Reroof
5. David Washburn, 1310 Owen Ave; Window Replacement

C. Approve the following licenses:

1. Glencoe Brewers Baseball Assoc., Inc.; 806 10<sup>th</sup> St E; 3.2 On-Sale License Renewal
2. Pla-Mor Ballroom, 1904 9<sup>th</sup> St E; 3.2 On Sale Liquor License Renewal
3. Dubb's Bar & Grill, 702 10<sup>th</sup> St E; On Sale Liquor and Sunday Liquor License Renewal
4. Happy Hour Inn, 811 11<sup>th</sup> St E; On Sale Liquor and Sunday Liquor License Renewal

PUBLIC HEARINGS: There was none.

BIDS AND QUOTES: There was none.

REQUESTS TO BE HEARD:

A. PLANNING AND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Planning Commission liaison Greg Copas stated for the council that the city ordinance regulating the number of dogs per household at two dogs needed to be

adhered to and an exception for the training of a companion dog by the Dunbar's was denied for this reason.

After very little discussion Councilor Copas made the motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation denying the request for the Special Use Permit request for a third dog to be trained by Marilyn Dunbar. Councilor Pohland seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. The motion carried.

#### B. PRESENTATION OF NEW HOME INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Chamber President Dan Ehrke made the introduction regarding the New Home Building Incentive Program which is designed to promote Glencoe as an affordable option for those considering building a new home. This marketing commitment has been made by several participating businesses to position Glencoe for growth for years to come.

Joan Johnson of Wells Fargo stated that there is no way to know when and where the market will bottom out in this economic slump. She feels this is a very positive program to implement.

The group appealed to the council for the City to get on board and help promote the incentive program by considering lowering the city infrastructure fees – WAC, SAC and park dedication fees.

After considerable discussion regarding the city fees it was decided to have council representation, City Administrator and some businesses discuss this further and bring back recommendations to the council for consideration.

#### C. THIRD READING OF FLASHING WARNING LIGHT ORDINANCE

Councilor Copas made the motion approving the third reading of the flashing warning light on snow plowing vehicles. Councilor Pohland seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. The motion carried.

#### D. WATER TOWER COLOR

Public Works Director Schreifels requested of the council to consider Aztec Grass as the color choice for the Northwest water tower.

A motion to rescind the choice previously chosen by the council and to approve Aztec Grass as the paint color for the northwest tower was made by Councilor Copas and seconded by Councilor Pohland. All voted in favor thereof, the motion carried.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

##### A. SET BOARD OF REVIEW

Training will need to be attended by the council members so that they can serve on the board of review. With the training dates discussed Councilor Ziemer made the motion to set the Board of Review for April 22, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in the council chambers. Councilor Schrupp seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. The motion carried.

#### B. 2013 FUNDING FOR TRAIL GRANT

Chamber President Dan Ehrke informed the council that City Administrator Mark Larson attended the Area Transportation Partnership (ATP) meeting in Willmar recently. The City of Glencoe is scheduled to receive an enhancement grant for Phase II of the Glencoe to Plato Trail in the amount of \$185,000. A 50% match is required to obtain these funds. The City will have built up \$113,612 in our State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) annual appropriation dollars by then to fund the City's portion of the project.

Discussion was initiated by Councilman Shamlala and once again he voiced that he is not in support of this trail. The cost is too high. The city needs to consider street improvement projects and sidewalks need to be repaired and replaced city wide.

After considerable discussion Dan Ehrke stated that a decision must be made on the enhancement dollars granted for this project.

No further action was taken at this time.

#### ROUTINE BUSINESS:

##### A. PROJECT UPDATES

There was none.

##### B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chamber President Dan Ehrke made the council aware of a meeting held with City Administrator Mark Larson and an interested party in occupying the AMPI building. The meeting was overall favorable. He will keep the council posted on the EDC's recommendations.

##### C. MISCELLANEOUS

Councilor Copas had questions regarding budget cuts and what happened to dollars he feels were designated for the Ball Park for upgrades for the State Tournament to be held in Glencoe in 2011. He also inquired on insurance coverage for the scoreboard at the baseball field. Insurance paid \$12,000 to repair the damage due to a lightning strike but what about replacement of the scoreboard – what does insurance cover?

D. PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

E. REPORTS

Councilor Copas reported that the Planning and Industrial Commission will be reviewing the International Property Maintenance Code over the next couple of months and will bring back their recommendations to the council.

F. CITY BILLS

Councilor Shamla made the motion to approve payment of the city bills. Councilor Schrupp seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. The motion carried.

G. ADJOURN

Councilor Ziemer made the motion to adjourn the meeting with councilor Copas seconding the motion. All members voted in favor thereof, the motion carried.

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Mark D. Larson  
City Administrator

ATTEST:

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Randal Wilson  
Mayor