

**MINUTES – BENSON CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 26, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Paul Kittelson. The Council then boarded the City bus and went to the Fibrominn construction site. Chuck Wagner and John VanWoy updated the Council of the project and Chuck Wagner conducted a tour of the site.

At 7:00 p.m. the Council returned to City Hall. Members present: Sue Fitz, Lee Westrum, Gary Landmark, and Paul Kittelson. Members absent: Bob Claussen. Also present: City Manager Rob Wolfington, Public Works Director Elliot Nelson, Building Official Mike Jacobson, Brady Lee, Jenny Nelson, Tom Klemenhagen, Stan Olson, Shawn Tolifson, and Bradley Birch.

There was no one present with unscheduled business to come before the Council.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Fitz and carried unanimously to approve the following minutes on the consent agenda:

- a. June 12, 2006 Benson City Council Meeting
- b. April 25, 2006 Cemetery Board Meeting
- c. May 10, 2006 Benson HRA Meeting
- d. April 17, 2006 UMRDC Meeting
- e. June 12, 2006 Benson Park Board Meeting
- f. June 19, 2006 Benson Planning Commission Meeting

The City Manager informed the Council that Ron Simonson has submitted his retirement letter effective September 15, 2006.

The City Manager informed the Council that the Planning Commission held a public hearing for the Cottage Square preliminary plat and recommended its approval with some conditions. Tom Klemenhagen, Landteam, Inc., came before the Council and briefed them on the Cottage Square Subdivision, a common interest community. They are not ready for the final plat approval but expect to have it ready by the July 10, 2006 Council meeting.

Tom Klemenhagen, Landteam, Inc., informed the Council that the bids for the Homewood 8th Subdivision came in higher than expected causing the per lot cost too high. They looked at cutting costs without jeopardizing the project. The developers recently met with the Planning Commission and the Planning Commission and staff recommended amending the developer's agreement. It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Westrum and carried unanimously to approve amending the Homewood 8th Developer's Agreement as follows: 1.) modify the east end of Pine View Lane to end at the entrance to the Block 2 cul-de-sac and 2.) reduce Pine View Lane street width from 40 feet to 36 feet.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Westrum and carried unanimously to approve entering into an agreement with Landteam Inc. for professional services for the Homewood 8th Addition in a not to exceed amount of \$59,500.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Fitz and carried unanimously to approve entering into an agreement with Landteam Inc. for professional services for the Hawleywood 4th Addition in a not to exceed amount of \$63,000.

The City Manager informed the Council that Hawley's Inc. of 218 – 14th Street South has submitted a request for 15 minute parking on the north side of Wisconsin Avenue from Hwy. 12/29 to the alley. It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Westrum and carried unanimously to approve the request and direct staff to stripe and sign the street.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Westrum and carried unanimously to approve the Second Reading of An Ordinance to Sell Real Estate.

A brief review of the budget report through May 31, 2006 was held.

The Mayor asked Jenny Nelson and Brady Lee how it was going with surveying and working with the GPS equipment. They said it was going good. They will do a presentation at a Council meeting later this summer.

It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Landmark and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Manager