

**MINUTES - BENSON CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
MAY 17, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Paul Kittelson. Members present: Sue Fitz, Ben Hess, Bob Claussen, Gary Landmark, and Paul Kittelson. Members absent: None. Also present: City Manager Rob Wolfington, Finance Director Glen Pederson, and Public Works Director Elliot Nelson.

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

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

- a. May 3, 2010 Regular City Council Meeting
- b. April 5, 2010 Benson Planning Commission Meeting
- c. April 14, 2010 Benson HRA Meeting

The City Manager informed the Council that Stony Ridge Foods is requesting that the City install a lift system to their facility at an estimated cost of \$16,000 to \$18,000, and to allow Stony Ridge Foods to pay for this cost over time. There was consensus of the Council to approve the request.

The Council acknowledged that the Mayor will be traveling to St. Cloud on June 24-25 to attend the LMC Annual Conference.

The Finance Director reviewed some information he has gathered that compares water rates with surrounding cities.

It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Claussen and carried unanimously to enter into a contract with TKDA to provide professional services to prepare an Industrial Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan for the airport in the lump sum amount of \$7,900 (\$400 for a permit application fee and \$7,500 for TKDA services).

The Public Works Director informed the Council that the following quotes were received to purchase 1/0 and 4/0 primary cable for the 2010 underground electrical distribution project.

	1/0 Primary	4/0 Primary
Dakota Supply Group, Fargo, ND	\$1.84 per ft.	\$2.11 per ft.
Border States Electric, Fargo, ND	\$1.54 per ft.	\$1.455 per ft.
The Okonite Co., Plymouth, MN	\$1.687 per ft.	\$1.913 per ft.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Claussen and carried unanimously to purchase the primary cable from Border States Electric, Fargo, ND as follows: 7,500 feet of 1/0 Primary at \$1.54 per ft. for a total amount of \$11,550.00 and 7,500 feet of 4/0 Primary at \$1.455 per ft. for a total amount of \$10,912.50. The Public Works Director then informed the Council that a quote was received from Dakota Supply Group, Fargo, ND to purchase 2,000 feet of Boreguard. It was moved by Claussen, seconded by Hess and carried unanimously to order 2,000 feet of Boreguard from Dakota Supply Group, Fargo, ND in the amount of \$3.98 per ft. for a total amount of \$7,960.

It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Hess and carried unanimously to approve a pay request from Stepp manufacturing Co. for a tar kettle in the amount of \$24,865.54.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Claussen and carried unanimously to approve a pay request from Amundson Peterson for a mower in the amount of \$17,862.94.

It was moved by Claussen, seconded by Landmark and carried unanimously to approve a pay request from ABM Equipment & Supply for repairs to the Jet-Vac in the amount of \$19,667.80.

It was moved by Fitz, seconded by Hess and carried unanimously to approve a pay request from Bonestroo in the amount of \$26,576.15 (\$4,318.75 for City of Benson General, \$1,214 for Replacement Well, \$6,647.55 for Water Treatment Facility Study, \$9,803.15 for 11th Street South Reconstruction, and \$4,592.70 for Sandy's Lift Station).

The Finance Director reviewed the budget report for month ended April 30, 2010 with the Council.

It was moved by Landmark, seconded by Claussen and carried unanimously to approve the bills and warrants in the amount of \$328,578.32.

The City Manager presented some proposed changes to the By-Laws of the Swift County-Benson Hospital. Member Claussen informed the Council that the changes are basically housekeeping issues and recommended that the Council approval the By-Laws. It was moved by Claussen and seconded by Landmark to approve the changes as recommended by Member Claussen. The following vote was recorded: AYES: Claussen, Landmark, Hess, Kittelson. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Fitz.

At 5:48 p.m. the Council went on a tour of Benson.

At 6:33 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Clerk