

**CITY OF WILLERNIE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

**PRESENT:** Bohnen, Miller, Greeder, Marcellais, Attorney-Scott McDonald,  
Maintenance Superintendent-Rick Paulson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

**ABSENT:** Parent.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Miller made the motion to accept the agenda as presented, Marcellais seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER, 2008 MEETING**

Greeder moved to accept the December minutes as pre-read, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

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The Council reviewed the information presented by Mr. Mann and explained there is not enough land to build another house on the lots he owns.

The Council has no objections to combining the lots on one tax number; however, they did not think that it was necessary for them to approve this procedure. Mr. Mann explained that the County had requested permission from the City Council before they would combine the lots on one parcel. The clerk was then directed to draft a letter to be given to Mr. Mann explaining that the City Council has no objection to the combining of the lots owned by Mr. Mann.

### **GEORGE GORBATENKO – HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Mr. Gorbatenko lives in Mahtomedi and belongs to a group of people known as MICA. This is an active group that helps people own homes and stay in them after purchasing them. He is an advocate for affordable housing.

Mr. Gorbatenko also is active in Habitat for Humanity. He explained that Habitat will build a house on a reasonable lot if one can be found. Habitat also helps fix up houses that are in foreclosure so they can help the community.

Habitat and MICA are organizations that Mr. Gorbatenko would like the City of Willernie to encourage.

Mr. Mann asked about lots that Habitat could build on because Mr. Mann sells real estate and would like to help Mr. Gorbatenko find some real estate. Mr.

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**NEW ORDINANCE FOR BUILDING PERMITS**

The ordinance submitted by Jack Kramer, the building inspecttay in the house with a zero percent mortgage.

Marcellais asked how Habitat acquires the land in various cities. Mr. Gorbatenko explained that the community needs to be aware of the situations in the City and guide Habitat if they are approached.

The Council decided to have the mayor explain Habitat in the newsletter so all the residents would be aware of the available help.

**ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT**

Miller reviewed the Animal Control contract and inquired about the micro chips that some animals have implanted for identification. He would like a clause in the contract addressing this issue. The other question is the cap on the gas price and a clause will be inserted in the contract to cap it at 2.50 a gallon.

Miller moved to approve the animal control contract with the above changes, Marcellais seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**TSE CONTRACT 2009**

Scott McDonald explained that the TSE contract is the same contract that was in place in 2008 for the work done by TSE. Willernie isn't liable for the workman's comp insurance

on the employee because TSE has their own insurance policies. Miller said that this was correct.

A motion to approve the TSE contract for 2009 was made by Marcellais. Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed. Miller recused himself from the vote on this issue.

### **NEW ORDINANCE FOR BUILDING PERMITS**

The ordinance on building permits submitted by Jack Kramer, the building inspector, was tabled until the next meeting. Scott would like to talk to Jack before making a recommendation to the City.

### **APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES**

Miller moved to approve the liquor license for Wildwood Bowl, Gordy's Steakhouse, Roman Market, Wildwood Wine and Spirits and Firgaard's. Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed.

### **34<sup>th</sup> RED BULL INFANTRY DIVISION RESOLUTION**

The county has asked cities in Washington County to support the 34<sup>th</sup> Red Bull Infantry Division with a resolution. This resolution is to be submitted to the County before the end of January.

A motion to approve the resolution for the 34<sup>th</sup> Red Bull Infantry Division was made by Greeder and seconded by Marcellais. The motion passed. The resolution will be typed and mailed to the County before the end of January.

### **WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Council is being offered worker's comp insurance for approximately \$8.00 a month per Council member.

The Clerk will contact our insurance representative Mark Arnold and ask about the specific cost of such insurance and report back to the Council in February.



**CURFEW – 16 AND UNDER – ORDINANCE**

Scott presented the revised curfew ordinance as requested at the December meeting. A summary for publication was also submitted to the Clerk. Scott explained that the Council needed to approve the ordinance and the summary.

A motion to adopt the juvenile and lurking ordinance and publish the summary presented was made by Miller. Marcellais seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**RICK REPORT**

Everything is running smoothly in the City at the present time. Rick has been plowing almost every week with all the snow accumulation and using the salt sparingly so there will be enough for the entire winter.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

Greeder moved to approve the bills, Marcellais seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m. Marcellais seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating  
Clerk-Treasurer