

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 17, 2009**

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Bohnen moved to accept the agenda as presented, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

MINUTES OF THE MAY MEETING

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the June meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

There are several vacant houses in Willernie the officers have been watching to make sure that they are not vandalized. There have been fewer calls in the City during May and June.

The vehicles running the stop signs have been ticketed and the officers will continue to watch the intersection on Chatham and the four way stop on County 12 and Wildwood Road.

RON AND JOE KIEL

Ron and Joe Kiel introduced themselves as the new owners of the commercial building and house at 108 Trim. The name of their company is Kiel Landholdings.

They requested information concerning the restrictions on the commercial building and asked the Council what would be allowed in the space.

The mayor explained that the commercial building is zoned as light industrial. The restriction on the building is the height and the number of employees due to the lack of parking available. The second floor has no elevator and is not handicap accessible and was not designed for a business on that floor.

The agreement with the former owner was that the City would allow one tenant for the entire building and the second level was not to be built as offices.

The new owners asked about tearing down the house and using that for parking. This could be done if the new owners decide parking is the most important factor.

The City also explained about the easement on the lot line to allow the shed the former owner has and the use of the stairwell. Ron and Joe told the Council they signed an easement agreement with the former owner.

The new owners asked about building apartments above the business. The mayor explained that currently apartments would not be allowed, however, they could apply to rezone the property and a hearing would be held to decide the outcome. It was also explained if things change a conditional use permit will be necessary.

The mayor told the Council and people present that Willernie has a total of 96 parking places and if the Triangle Parking lot is redone the parking spaces will be down to 52.

Ron thanked the Council for the information on the building they purchased; they will discuss the probabilities and return to the Council with some firm ideas.

MIKE HENRY – LOT SPLIT

The sketch Mike left with the clerk was presented to the Council for the lot split Mike is proposing, however, the information was inconclusive so Mike will need to attend a Council meeting and explain the lots that he would like to split.

COUNTY 12 AND 244

The committee is discussing ways to avoid accidents at the four way stops. The information will hopefully be available before the July newsletter is mailed.

WATER CONTRACT

Scott will follow up with a new water contract and report back to the Council as soon as information is available.

420 PADDINGTON

The Mayor read the letter from Jack Kramer, the building inspector, concerning the condition of 420 Paddington. Jack feels that this is an unsafe structure according to Minnesota State Statutes. Willernie can order the building to be vacated if it is not repaired.

Joe Dailey is interested in buying the house; however, there is a question as to the ownership of the house. Joe will watch the postings and if the house becomes available he will put a bid on it.

A motion to have Scott draw up a hazardous building order was made by Miller, seconded by Greeder and the motion passed.

Scott will bring the paperwork to the July meeting to begin the process.

GORDY'S SIGN APPROVAL

The Council looked at the drawings for the new sign that Gordy presented, checked the ordinances and Bohnen moved to approve the sign as presented. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

RICK REPORT

The dock was not put in this year and the beach is closed because the water is too low. The buoys are out to mark the swimming area.

The parking places in Milnar Park are broken so Rick will repair that area next week.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. Greeder seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer