

**City of Long Prairie
Council Meeting
7:00 P.M., Monday, April 2, 2012**

The Long Prairie City Council met in regular session at City Hall, 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 2, 2012. Mayor Don Rasmussen called the meeting to order with the following present: Council members Lilah Gripne, Bob Klick, Tony Towle, and City Administrator/Clerk David Venekamp. Council member Art Rowan was absent from the meeting.

Council member Klick motioned Gripne seconded to approve the council minutes of March 19, 2012. Motion unanimously carried.

Jim Kreemer stated the fire department has been considering the possible purchase of a voice amp system that would mount on their face masks and would help amplify their voices when wearing the masks. The firemen have a difficult time hearing each other when they are wearing the mask and that the amplifiers would help improve their ability to hear each other. The cost of the voice amps that work with their Dragger masks are \$516 a piece. The department would like to purchase 13 voice amps for a total of \$6,708 this year and purchase 9 more next year. Jim indicated the money for the masks could come from the fire department general fund and/or the fire department activity fund.

Council member Klick motioned Towle seconded to purchase 13 voice amp systems from Alex Air Apparatus in the amount of \$6,708 and to budget for the remaining 9 voice amps in the 2013 budget. Motion unanimously carried.

Bob Klick stated the liquor store manager has expressed a need for additional security cameras at the liquor store since they rearranged the liquor store shelving. The police have also suggested having a couple of security cameras mounted on the outside of the store. Pam had received a price quote of \$3,958.38 for upgrading the camera system and purchasing 4 additional cameras.

Council member Klick motioned Gripne seconded to accept the bid from Video Protection Services in the amount of \$3,958.38 for cameras and updated equipment for Riverside Liquors. Motion unanimously carried.

The council reviewed a resolution calling the 2003 bonds. The city council had earlier this year discussed the calling of the two 2003 bonds and had agreed at that time to do so.

Councilmember Gripne introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Towle:

RESOLUTION NO. 12-04-02-08
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CALL OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING
SERIES 2003 BONDS

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Long Prairie, Minnesota (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The City has issued (a) its General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2003A, dated, as originally issued, as of August 1, 2003, in the original principal amount of \$615,000 (the "Series 2003A Bonds"), of which \$130,000 in aggregate principal amount is currently outstanding and (b) its General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series

2003B dated, as originally issued, as of August 1, 2003, in the original principal amount of \$510,000 (the "Series 2003B Bonds"; together with the Series 2003A Bonds, the "Bonds"), of which \$160,000 in aggregate principal amount remains outstanding.

Section 2. The Bonds are subject to prepayment on any date, upon notice of call for redemption thereof mailed not fewer than 30 days before the date specified for redemption to the registered owners of the Bonds.

Section 3. This Council has determined that there exist sufficient funds available to prepay on June 1, 2012, the outstanding Bonds.

Section 4. U. S. Bank National Association, as registrar and paying agent for the Bonds, is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notices of Redemption attached hereto as Exhibit A to be mailed as provided in the resolutions authorizing the Bonds.

Section 5. No further action shall be required of the Council to complete the prepayment of the Bonds.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Lilah Gripne, Bob Klick, Tony Towle and Don Rasmussen

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

\$615,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2003A

Dated as of August 1, 2003

City of Long Prairie, Minnesota

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Long Prairie, Minnesota (the "Issuer"), has called for redemption and prepayment on June 1, 2012, the outstanding Bonds of the above-referenced issue (the "Bonds") maturing on February 1, 2014 in the principal amount of \$130,000 and bearing interest at a rate of 3.90% and a CUSIP number of 542824LC9.

The Bonds will be redeemed at a price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. Holders of the Bonds should present them for payment to U.S. Bank National Association, St. Paul, Minnesota, on or before said date, when they will cease to bear interest, in the following manner:

If by Mail:

U.S. Bank National Association
Corporate Trust Operations, 3rd Floor
Post Office Box 64111
Saint Paul, MN 55164-0111

If by Hand or Overnight Mail:

U.S. Bank National Association
Bond Drop Window, 3rd Floor
60 Livingston Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55107
(800) 934-6802

held at the pipeline training. Langer stated Stearns Electric donated \$300 to the city for police radios. The 800 megahertz radios will be installed in the squad cars this week.

Fire Chief Jim Kreemer stated April 14th is the Firemen's Dance.

Council member Klick stated the county is in the process of doing a survey on broad band usage. The community gardens also have 76 gardens that have been plowed up and over 70 of them have been spoken for.

Mayor Rasmussen brought up a concern that the employees at the city owned liquor store should be in some sort of a set uniform or shirt. By doing so, people would be able to identify who the workers are at the liquor store and it would also provide a more uniform look. The council was in agreement to have a uniform type shirt for the liquor store employees.

Mayor Rasmussen indicated the city has taken requests for qualifications for engineering firms for the Todd Field Airport. The city received two proposals and will be interviewing the two firms in the near future. Rasmussen also presented a plaque the city received from the Minnesota Initiative Foundation. The Initiative Foundation celebrated 25 years of being in existence and thanked the city for their contributions to the foundation.

Council member Klick motioned Towle seconded to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

David Venekamp
City Administrator/Clerk

Don Rasmussen
Mayor