

**City of Long Prairie  
Council Meeting  
7:00 P.M., Monday, May 21, 2012**

The Long Prairie City Council met in regular session at City Hall, 7:00 p.m., Monday, May 21, 2012. Acting Mayor Bob Klick called the meeting to order with the following present: Council members Tony Towle, Lilah Gripne, Art Rowan, and Deputy Clerk Deb Laumeier. Mayor Don Rasmussen was absent.

**Council member Rowan motioned Gripne seconded to approve the council minutes of May 7, 2012. Motion unanimously carried.**

Julie Baum representing the Long Prairie Chamber, asked the Council if they would help the Chamber out by taking care of the Minnesota Power bill, which is the Welcome to Long Prairie sign on the west end of Central Ave and the water bill for the Community Gardens.

Council member Gripne asked how long they wanted the city to pay these bills. Julie stated until the end of the year.

Julie also told the council they will be selling hotdogs Friday and Saturday, May 25 and May 26 at Coborn's and they will be hosting a golf tournament to try and recoup some of the money.

**Council member Rowan motioned Gripne seconded to pay the MN Power bill and to not charge them for the water at the Community Gardens until the end of the year at which time it will be addressed again. Motion passed.**

The Chamber thanked the Council for their support.

**Motion by Towle seconded by Gripne to approve the temporary liquor license for Thunder Lodge for Prairie Days June 16<sup>th</sup> and June 17<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed.**

**Council member Gripne motioned Rowan seconded to the approve purchase agreement for the wastewater treatment ponds by Long Prairie Packing Plant upon the attorneys review of the agreement. Motion passed.**

**Council member Gripne motioned Towle seconded to approve the equipment use agreement with the Long Prairie Packing Plant for wastewater items upon the attorney's review of the agreement. Motion passed.**

The city council had approved relocating and using the old fire siren as a civil defense siren. One possible location is at the old city hall library. Les Levin would set the pole (55' pole) for the siren near the southeast corner of the building.

**Council member Towle motioned Gripne seconded to approve the installation of the civil defense siren at the old city hall library. Motion passed.**

Council member Towle told the council that the cement had been poured for the bike path and that it looked good.

Fire Chief Jim Kreemer informed the council that the Long Prairie Packing Plant asked the fire department to burn the house north on highway 71. The burn will take place Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

Police Chief Kevin Langer state that the new squad has been ordered and should be here shortly.

Council member Klick stated that the Park Board had received two applications for lifeguards. Grammas for the Beach have started their fund rising again.

Council member Towle asked the council if the guard rail on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave and Todd St could be removed. The Council suggested to have Chief Langer take a look at it and bring it back to the next meeting.

**Council member Klick motioned Gripne seconded to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.**

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Deb Laumeyer  
Deputy Clerk

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Bob Klick  
Acting Mayor