

City of Winsted  
City Council Work Session  
Conference Room – Lewis Room  
April 7, 2009  
5:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Steve Stotko  
Council Member Tom Ollig  
Council Member Bonnie Quast  
Council Member Dave Mochinski  
Council Member Tom Wiemiller

Staff Present: Brent Mareck, City Administrator  
Deb Boelter, City Clerk-Treasurer  
Jamason Stotko, Maintenance Lead  
Dave Meyer, Maintenance Lead

I. Call To Order

Mayor Stotko called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Administrative Fines

Mareck presented an e-mail that he sent to both Senator Steve Dille and Representative Ron Shimanski asking for their support in opposing the bill that would limit the amount and number of offences that can be used for issuing administrative fines. The bill would impact the revenue the City receives from administrative fines that are issued by the Winsted Police Department.

Mareck shared the e-mail response he received from Senator Dille. Mareck stated that he has not received a response from Representative Shimanski.

III. Council Chambers – Winsted Township

Mareck presented the draft letter that he prepared for Winsted Township on behalf of Mayor Stotko regarding the use of the City Council Chambers for their monthly Board meetings.

The City Council recommended that the proposal in the letter include an annual leasing fee of \$2,400 and that the letter state that the lease would be renewed annually.

IV. Street Sweeping

Mareck presented Greg Gehrman's, Winsted Hardware, 161 Main Avenue West, concerns regarding the Public Works Department not sweeping the City streets before the heavy rain and the salt and sand, used for snow and ice removal, washed into the lake and the storm sewer drains.

Stotko, Jamason and Meyer were in attendance at the meeting and presented their schedule for sweeping the streets. Meyer stated that the Public Works Department has evaluated the storm sewer drains and they are not clogged with sand.

The City Council discussed the sweeping of the streets and directed Stotko, Jamason and Meyer to continue the Public Works Department's current schedule for sweeping streets.

V. Updates

Mareck gave updates on the following:

- a) Future Land Use Plan Meeting – Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Mareck presented the proposed Future Land Use map. He reminded the City Council of the next Future Land Use Plan meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Vollmer Room at City Hall.

b) Vollmer Room Rental – Sunday, April 5, 2009

Mareck stated that a resident of Winsted rented the Vollmer Room for a Bridal Shower on Sunday, April 5, 2009 and there was damage to the room. Mareck informed the resident that the City was going to withhold part of the damage deposit they paid for renting the room and use it to pay for the repair of the damage. The resident disapproved of Mareck's decision to keep the damage deposit and Mareck worked with the resident to achieve a resolution.

Mareck asked the City Council for direction on how to address future rental of the Vollmer Room to avoid issues like this one. The City Council discussed and directed Mareck to leave the rental application, policy and fees as they are.

c) City Council and Staff Retreat – Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mareck reminded the City Council that the City Council and Staff Retreat will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Vollmer Room.

d) Board of Review – April 21, 2009

Mareck stated that the McLeod County Assessor will be conducting the annual Board of Review on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. There will be no City Council Work Session on April 21, 2009.

e) Mareck gave an update on the issues between the City and the property owner of 163 Main Avenue West.

f) Mareck gave an update on the Rental Housing permit application approval for the building located at 121 Main Avenue West.

g) "McLeod For Tomorrow" Leadership Program in the City of Winsted – April 23, 2009

Mareck stated that the "McLeod For Tomorrow" Leadership program will be held in the City of Winsted on April 23, 2009. It will begin in the Vollmer Room at 8:00 a.m. Mareck invited the City Council to attend.

h) Mareck gave an update on the Liquor licensing violation that was issued to Papa Tom's Bar and Grill, 111 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street North.

VI. Adjourn

**Quast motioned to adjourn. Ollig seconded. Motion carried 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah R. Boelter  
City Clerk-Treasurer