

**Minutes
City of Griswold
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers, January 4, 2010, 6:00 p.m.**

The Griswold City Council met in regular session at City Hall. Mayor Putnam called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council present: Adams, Rink, Bergstrom, Wyman, Carlisle.

Motion by Rink to approve the agenda; second by Bergstrom. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Carlisle to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of the December 21 regular meeting.
- b. Claims

Second by Adams. Approved 5-0.

Reports:

Public Works. Landon Preston, Street Superintendent, reported on snow removal. Kevin Jipsen stated he is working with the clerk on Emergency Management-Homeland Security Papers for the snow removal; the goal is to see if the county can be declared a snow disaster for assistance.

Library. Robin Drake, Library Board President, informed the council she will be attending a meeting in Des Moines January 12th with the Mayor and the City Attorney. Cindy Miller, Head Librarian, asked everyone to mark their calendar for January 18th as Family Reading Night.

Old Business:

MSA. Justin Vogel, MSA Representative, gave an update on the projects they are doing for the city. It was decided when the time comes there will be a joint meeting with the Library Board and the City Council.

Bids for Depository Safe. Motion by Rink to take the low bid from Weirich Welding at \$100. Second by Wyman. Approved 5-0.

Sidewalk-Barry Moore. Matter will be put on the next agenda; council members will come to the office to look at the files to learn more about the situation.

New Business:

2010 Appointments. Mayor Putnam made the following appointments for 2010; first named is chairperson:

Public Safety:

Fire, Rescue – Rink, Bergstrom, Putnam

Public Works:

Streets – Wyman, Carlisle, Putnam

Culture & Recreation:

Community Building, Parks, Cemetery – Adams, Carlisle, Putnam

Community & Economic Development:

Planning & Zoning, Housing, Urban Renewal – Adams, Wyman, Putnam

General Government:

City Hall, Insurance, Legal – Bergstrom, Rink, Putnam

Business Type Activities:

Water & Sewer – Wyman, Adams, Putnam

Mayor Pro-Tem – Rink

Library Board Council Rep – Bergstrom, Rink

Cemetery Board – Duhn, Carlton

City Treasurer – TBD upon hiring of City Manager

Representative to Cass Co. Comm. Center and Public Safety Board – Wyman

Representative to Cass County Environmental Agency – Bergstrom

All other committees and previous appointments remain the same. Motion by Rink to accept all appointments; second by Wyman. Approved 5-0.

Motion by Rink to appoint Kevin Jipsen as Water Superintendent and Building Permits Officer, Jim Wyman as Fire Chief and Marylynne Dickinson as Interim City Clerk; second by Wyman. Approved 5-0.

Snow Emergencies. Jipsen wanted the council to be aware that the Cass County Sheriff's do not enforce our Ordinances and suggested maybe appointing someone to issue tickets to those in violation when a Snow

Emergency is declared. The council would like to see SWIPCO come to the next meeting with an update on the Ordinances. They also want to make sure there are specific consequences written out for those in violation of any Ordinance.

Messages and Papers from the Mayor. Mayor Putnam thanked Kevin and Landon for all the extra time put into the snow removal.

Propositions and Remarks from Council Members. Adams asked who to contact about putting a sign up outside of town. The DOT in Atlantic was suggested as a good starting place to ask.

Rink stated the interviews have been set up and would like the council to be here at 5:45 on the 11th and 12th.

Mayor Putnam is to notify the advisory committee.

Wyman thinks it may be a good idea to compile a list and keep a copy of driver's licenses for those who volunteer their help to the city if there is ever a time they would have to drive a city vehicle.

Carlisle suggested looking into parking on one side of the streets only through out the town. This would be helpful to the Fire and Rescue departments when responding to emergencies.

Motion by Rink to adjourn; second by Wyman. Approved 5-0; 7:03 p.m.

Jerry Putnam
Mayor

Marylynne Dickinson
Interim City Clerk