

Regular Meeting  
December 7, 2011  
7:00 p.m.

With due call and notice thereof, the December 7, 2011 regular meeting of the Eden Valley City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. Present were Mayor Korman, Councilor, Reetz, Gabrelcik, Bethel and Thielen, Clerk Haag, Deputy Clerk Anderson, Public Works Director Rademacher, Chief Junker and others.

The agenda was presented and reviewed. A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Reetz seconded by Bethel and carried unanimously.

The consent agenda was presented. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Bethel seconded by Thielen and carried unanimously. Items on the consent agenda were as follows: Approve Minutes of November 9, 2011 regular meeting, Adopt Donation Resolution 2011-28, Approval of Nutrition Site Lease for 2012, Approval of 2011 Audit Proposal from Kern, DeWenter, Viere, Ltd., Approval of City Credit Card Policy.

Mayor Korman opened the public hearing on the 2012 budget, levy and utility rates. Clerk Haag reviewed the proposed 2012 budget with the Council and those present. Councilor Bethel questioned the need to raise the water rates for 2012. Clerk Haag reviewed the current water fund balance with the council as well as future expenses due to repairs that need to be done to the water tower. There were no comments or concerns from the public. After review and discussion a motion was made by Bethel to approve the 2012 proposed budget as presented. Motion seconded by Gabrelcik and carried unanimously. A motion to approve the proposed water and sewer rate increase for 2012 was made by Reetz seconded by Thielen carried unanimously. The new water rate for 2012 will be a \$7.00 base fee per month and \$7.25 per thousand gallons of water and the new sewer rate will be a base fee of \$7.00 per month and \$4.00 per thousand gallons.

City Engineer DeWolf was present to give an update on the proposed MNDOT project. DeWolf handed out information on preliminary cost breakdowns between the City of Eden Valley and MNDOT for the Council to review. It was noted there are three options to consider on reconstruction on HWY 22 from Coleman Ave to Hutcheson Ave. Option A is all urban, with parking lanes the entire length of T.H 22, Option B is All urban, no parking north of Coleman Avenue, and Option C is Rural section north of Coleman Avenue. Discussions took place regarding curb and gutter options for HWY 22 from Coleman Ave to Hutcheson Ave. Thielen noted he would like to see option B which is all urban, no parking North of Coleman Ave with drive over curb. It was the consensus of the council to start with option B noting that after further review option A might be the best option for the City . It was reported that CP Rail representative feels the crossing on HWY 22 in Eden Valley is sufficient and does not need replacement currently. Chuck noted the city should be persistent that the crossing be repaired

when the road is being redone. DeWolf reported the next step will be to send the cost sharing break down to MNDOT for their review and putting together correspondence stating the City's intent to start with option B.

Delinquent water and sewer accounts were discussed. Clerk Haag noted she checked with other cities regarding how they handle delinquent bills. It was reported the majority of the cities did not allow payment plans and utilities were shut off for nonpayment. It was suggested that the council approve all payment plans that are requested by residents. After review and discussion it was the consensus of the council that the Council would be making any payment arrangements with residents, stating if a resident gets a shut off notice and wants to set up a payments they would need to request being placed on the City Council agenda to address the circumstances for not paying the utility bill.

**Resolution 2011-29** "Resolution Approving Final Tax Levy" was introduced and moved for adoption by Reetz, seconded by Bethel.

**RESOLUTION #2011-29**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL TAX LEVY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Eden Valley, Counties of Meeker and Stearns, Minnesota, that the following sums of money be levied for the current year, collectible in 2012, upon the taxable property in the City of Eden Valley, for the following purposes.

GENERAL FUND LEVY	\$	384,000.00
2003 GO IMPROVEMENT BOND	\$	4,000.00
2007 GO IMPROVEMENT BOND	\$	<u>12,000.00</u>
TOTAL LEVY TO BE CERTIFIED	\$	<b>400,000.00</b>

The city clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the county auditors of Meeker and Stearns Counties, Minnesota.

Voting in favor were Reetz, Bethel, Thielen, Gabrelcik and Korman. Opposed none, whereby Resolution 2011-29 was duly adopted.

The land transfer to ISD#463 of city land by the Elementary school was discussed. **Resolution 2011-30** "Resolution Approving Land Transfer" was introduced and moved for adoption by Thielen seconded by Gabrelcik. Voting in favor were Thielen, Gabrelcik, Reetz, Bethel and Korman. Opposed none, whereby Resolution 2011-30 was duly adopted.

A motion to approve the Corner bar on-sale and off-sale Liquor License and Sunday liquor license for 2012 was made by Bethel seconded by Reetz and carried unanimously. A motion to approve a 2012 off-sale liquor license for J & M liquor contingent on receiving a certificate of insurance was made by Gabrelcik seconded by Bethel carried unanimously. A motion to approve a 2012 on-sale and Sunday liquor license for Eden Valley Properties at the Valley Inn location contingent on receiving a certificate of insurance was made by Thielen seconded by Gabrelcik and carried unanimously. A motion to approve a 2012 off-sale license for Eden Valley Properties at Valley liquor warehouse location contingent on receiving a certificate of insurance was made by Bethel seconded by Reetz and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Bethel to certify the delinquent utility bill at 218 Jeanne Ave. Motion seconded by Reetz and carried unanimously. Tax forfeiture properties in Eden Valley were addressed. A motion to recertify the assessments for 360 Cossairt Ave and 392 Cossairt Ave was made by Bethel seconded by Reetz and carried unanimously. It was the consensus of the council not to reassess the property at 267 State Street N.

Mayor Korman opened the Public Forum: George Ruhland addressed the council with issues regarding his property located west of the Storage units at 315 Meeker Ave W. Ruhland reported his property value increased to \$13,100 for 2012. Ruhland stated he has concerns regarding the increase because there is currently no access to this property. Ruhland noted he doesn't feel the property is worth \$13,100 if there is no access to the property. Mr. Ruhland will bring in his legal description of this property in to city Hall for the review.

The Clerk presented the bills: \$163,481.25

A motion to approve the bills except the Thielen Machine and Welding bill was made by Thielen seconded by Bethel carried unanimously.

A motion to pay the Thielen Machine and Welding bill was made by Bethel seconded by Gabrelcik and carried. Thielen abstained

Clerk Haag informed the council on the 2012 leadership conferences for elected officials. Anyone interested should contact Haag to be registered. As a reminder the Holiday Training is coming to Eden Valley on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00pm and the HCP Group is planning a holiday gathering at the new community center. Haag noted there will be soup and chili available for \$2 a cup, as well as free hot chocolate, apple cider and cookies. Clerk Haag reported she received a call questioning the need for the siren to go off every night at 10. It was stated that curfew is at 10pm and it is a good reminder to all the kids that they need to be at home at this time. The consensus of the council was to leave the siren sound at 10pm. GASB 54 rules and regulations will be addressed at the January meeting as well as the special revenue budgets.

Chief Junker provided his end of month reports. Junker reported on a large repair that was done on the squad car. Bethel questioned how to obtain a lighted sign to be placed on Highway 22

South of Eden Valley to slow traffic coming into town. Bethel will be contacting MNDOT out of the Willmar office to see if it is an option to place a sign on the South end of town.

Public Works Director Rademacher reported on general maintenance issues throughout town. Rademacher noted he received an okay from MPCA regarding the riprap repairs of the ponds. Rademacher noted they are going to wait until next spring to complete the repairs.

Next meeting date will be January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012

With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bethel seconded by Thielen and carried unanimously.

Attest:

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Susan Anderson, Deputy Clerk

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Pete Korman, Mayor

# CITY OF EDEN VALLEY

## \*Check Summary Register©

Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
<b>10100 STATE BANK IN EV</b>			
Paid Chk# 005365 ANNA MAE STURM	11/16/2011	\$578.36	Damage Deposit Return
Paid Chk# 005366 CENTER POINT ENERGY	11/30/2011	\$514.44	Natural Gas
Paid Chk# 005367 MEEKER COOPERATIVE	11/30/2011	\$547.05	Electric
Paid Chk# 005368 MN REVENUE	11/30/2011	\$704.60	State WH Tax
Paid Chk# 005369 SRWD	11/30/2011	\$2,786.42	Loan Payment
Paid Chk# 005370 T-MOBILE	11/30/2011	\$142.58	Phone Service
Paid Chk# 005371 UNION SECURITY INSURANCE C	11/30/2011	\$361.65	Insurance
Paid Chk# 005372 WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	11/30/2011	\$68.23	Services
Paid Chk# 005373 ALL FLAGS LLC	12/8/2011	\$414.70	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005374 AMERIPRIDE SERVICES	12/8/2011	\$105.30	Uniform Rental
Paid Chk# 005375 SUSAN ANDERSON	12/8/2011	\$670.47	Insurance
Paid Chk# 005376 ARENS ELECTRIC	12/8/2011	\$50.00	Repairs
Paid Chk# 005377 JUANITA ARENS	12/8/2011	\$400.00	Service
Paid Chk# 005378 ARNOLDS OF KIMBALL	12/8/2011	\$47.63	Repairs
Paid Chk# 005379 AT&T UNIVERSAL CARD	12/8/2011	\$317.29	Supplies & Service
Paid Chk# 005380 AVENET LLC	12/8/2011	\$350.00	Service
Paid Chk# 005381 BANYON DATA SYSTEMS	12/8/2011	\$780.60	Payroll Support
Paid Chk# 005382 WESTERN TREE SERVICE	12/8/2011	\$690.00	Service
Paid Chk# 005383 BCBS/RESOURCE TRAINING	12/8/2011	\$5,450.00	Insurance
Paid Chk# 005384 PEGGY BETHEL	12/8/2011	\$125.00	Service
Paid Chk# 005385 BOLTON & MENK, INC	12/8/2011	\$1,112.50	Engineering
Paid Chk# 005386 BORDER STATES	12/8/2011	\$215.46	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005387 BRUTGER AUTO	12/8/2011	\$57.00	Repairs
Paid Chk# 005388 CUF	12/8/2011	\$106.53	Insurance
Paid Chk# 005389 CITI CARDS	12/8/2011	\$1,853.94	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005390 DIVERSICOM	12/8/2011	\$2,431.38	Phone Service, Computer & repa
Paid Chk# 005391 DPC INDUSTRIES, INC.	12/8/2011	\$1,461.02	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005392 EDEN VALLEY LUMBER CO	12/8/2011	\$179.01	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005393 FARM-RITE EQUIPMENT INC	12/8/2011	\$127.02	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005394 FIRE SAFETY USA	12/8/2011	\$64.13	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005395 FRAUENSHUH & SPOONER, P.A.	12/8/2011	\$27.20	Legal
Paid Chk# 005396 GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL	12/8/2011	\$5.80	Service
Paid Chk# 005397 HEIMAN INC.	12/8/2011	\$278.25	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005398 HENRYS WATERWORKS	12/8/2011	\$60.32	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005399 KELLYS HEATING AND AC	12/8/2011	\$78.00	Repairs
Paid Chk# 005400 DOUG KLEIN	12/8/2011	\$415.00	Service - Painting Main St. Pr
Paid Chk# 005401 PETE KORMAN	12/8/2011	\$259.79	Mileage, Lodging
Paid Chk# 005402 MARC	12/8/2011	\$333.74	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005403 MIKE'S STANDARD	12/8/2011	\$1,170.87	Gas & repairs
Paid Chk# 005404 MINNESOTA COPY SYSTEMS	12/8/2011	\$66.87	Maint & Supplies
Paid Chk# 005405 MN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	12/8/2011	\$680.00	
Paid Chk# 005406 MRWA	12/8/2011	\$225.00	Dues
Paid Chk# 005407 440600 NCPERS MINNESOTA	12/8/2011	\$64.00	Insurance
Paid Chk# 005408 OFFICE DEPOT	12/8/2011	\$81.43	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005409 PAHCS	12/8/2011	\$496.56	Supplies
Paid Chk# 005410 PERA	12/8/2011	\$10.00	Late Fee, CK Delayed USPS

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Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
Paid Chk# 005411	BOB PESCHON	12/8/2011	\$200.00 Service
Paid Chk# 005412	JAMES RADEMACHER	12/8/2011	\$67.40 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005413	RAMSEY PRINTING	12/8/2011	\$277.88 HPC EV Brochures
Paid Chk# 005414	RESOURCE TRAINING & SOLUTI	12/8/2011	\$90.00 Dues
Paid Chk# 005415	RON'S SOFT WATER	12/8/2011	\$9.11 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005416	SELECT ACCOUNT	12/8/2011	\$9.15 Ins. Admin
Paid Chk# 005417	SPECIALTY TURF & AG INC.	12/8/2011	\$89.78 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005418	STRATEGIC	12/8/2011	\$66.62 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005419	TEAM LABORATORY	12/8/2011	\$1,254.71 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005420	FRANCIS THEIS	12/8/2011	\$28.00 Service
Paid Chk# 005421	THIELEN EXCAVATING	12/8/2011	\$819.00 Service & Supplies
Paid Chk# 005422	THIELEN MACHINE & WELDING,	12/8/2011	\$188.63 Supplies & Service
Paid Chk# 005423	TOM'S CARPET KINGDOM	12/8/2011	\$1,148.47 Repairs
Paid Chk# 005424	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	12/8/2011	\$134.72 Copier Lease/Maint
Paid Chk# 005425	US BANK	12/8/2011	\$30,060.17 Final Pymt 2004 Ref. Bond
Paid Chk# 005426	VALLEY DAIRY SUPPLY, INC.	12/8/2011	\$5.77 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005427	VALLEY DAZE FUND	12/8/2011	\$240.00 Adv
Paid Chk# 005428	VALLEY QUICK STOP	12/8/2011	\$744.72 Gas
Paid Chk# 005429	VALLEY VIEW ELECTRIC	12/8/2011	\$2,352.70 Repairs
Paid Chk# 005430	VERIZON	12/8/2011	\$26.02 Phone Service
Paid Chk# 005431	VMG	12/8/2011	\$111.83 Supplies
Paid Chk# 005432	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION	12/8/2011	\$860.82 2010 Certified Delinquent Bill
Paid Chk# 005433	XCEL ENERGY	12/8/2011	\$5,317.98 Electric
	<b>Total Checks</b>		<b>\$71,068.62</b>

<u>CHECK#</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>FOR:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
39656	Northdale Construction	Final Pymt	\$20429.66
39657	VOID	VOID	VOID
39658	VMG	Wellness Certs	\$ 225.00
ACH	ING	MN DCP	\$ 50.00
39659	AFSCME Local 65	Union Dues	\$ 260.98
EFT	IRS	Payroll Tax	\$ 3254.86
39660	Schwieters Chevrolet	Suburban	\$38169.50
JE	Water/Sewer	City Utilities	\$ 2151.89
39661	USPS	HCP Mailing	\$ 129.93
39662	PERA	PERA	\$ 2023.17
JE 2001-37	EV-W Treatment Plant	Nov Usage	\$ 8730.00

21429-			
21436	Payroll	Salaries	\$ 6705.54
21437-			
21443	Payroll	Salaries	\$ 6864.45
21444-			
21446	Payroll	Comp Time	\$ 3417.65

Total: \$92,412.63

**GRAND TOTAL: \$163,481.25**