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**CITY OF GILBERT  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Bellerud called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bellerud, Councilors Garrity, Nemanick and Omersa.

Absent: Councilor Gentile

Staff Present: City Engineer Jamnick, Fire Chief Omersa, Campground Caretaker Smith, City Clerk Darrow and Confidential Secretary Devich.

Mayor Bellerud led the audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Omersa second by Garrity to approve the following addition to the agenda:

1. Approve purchase of 2011 Dodge Charger for the Police Department from Dodge of Burnsville for \$22,618.00 through the State bid process.

All Approved.

Motion by Nemanick second by Omersa to approve minutes of Regular Council Meeting of July 12, 2011. All approved.

Motion by Garrity second by Nemanick to approve minutes of Police Commission Meeting of June 14, 2011. All approved.

No public input.

Councilor Garrity questioned who's responsible for enforcing the City's codes and ordinances. City Clerk Darrow replied there are a wide range of codes and ordinances which are currently enforced by the Police Department, Administration or Boards and Commissions for determination by the City Council. Darrow noted the City is working on a comprehensive plan in which the policies will have to coincide with existing policies.

Councilor Garrity stated the Water and Light Advisory Board met and discussed current rates and future projects and will be recommending an increase for both the electrical and water rates.

Motion by Nemanick second by Garrity to authorize the City Clerk to send out notices in September that water and electrical rates will be increasing. All approved.

City Engineer Jamnick provided an update on City projects noting the new tanks will be going in at the Water Plant but there should be no disruption in service. Jamnick noted Range Landscape will need to have the beach closed for 6-8 hours to work on the erosion problem.



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Mayor Bellerud stated the City met with Fayal and a mediator at the Courthouse as directed by the Judge. The City and Fayal will meet again on sewer rates in the next 30 days.

Motion by Omersa second by Nemanick to approve payment of bills and payroll subject to audit by Mayor and Clerk (check no. 10575-10637). All approved.

Motion by Garrity second by Omersa to approve hiring of Dennis Erchul for the meter reading contractor at a rate not to exceed \$700.00 per month. The hiring will be contingent on a background check and executed contract. All approved.

City Clerk Darrow noted a fully executed contract will be brought back to the Council in August for approval.

Motion by Nemanick second by Omersa to approve the hiring of Trudy Salo for Summer Casual Laborer position for the remainder of the summer. The hiring is contingent on a background check and safety training review. All approved.

Motion by Garrity second by Omersa to approve Change Order No. 8 for the Wastewater Treatment Improvements project increasing the contract amount by \$5,495.29. All approved.

Lengthy discussion followed concerning a smoking policy at Lake Ore-Be-Gone Beach and also problems with littering, glass and alcohol on the beach. Councilor Nemanick stated he would contact Joint Recreation Director Homola to discuss the issues.

Motion by Garrity second by Omersa to table action on a Smoking Policy at Lake Ore-Be-Gone Beach. All approved.

Motion by Omersa second by Garrity to table authorizing Minnesota Power to repair the transformers and cable along Summit Street. All approved. Clerk Darrow will contact Minnesota Power regarding the cable.

Discussion followed concerning the Mesabi Elm Utilization Authority donation request. City Street Department employee Sam Lautigar explained some of the benefits of the Mesabi Elm Utilization Authority and noted the donation would be to purchase new equipment which cities rent at a reduced rate to cover a maintenance fee.

Motion by Nemanick second by Omersa to table the Mesabi Elm Utilization Authority donation request. All approved.

Motion by Garrity second by Omersa to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$28,785.00 to Mesabi Bituminous Inc. for the Lake Ore-Be-Gone Recreation



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Area Improvements project. All approved. Clerk Darrow noted the full amount of the project will be reimbursed through the IRRRB grant or Inland Mining Co.

Motion by Nemanick second by Omersa to approve a special permit for the Alibi Bar to allow outside alcohol consumption from August 19-21, 2011 contingent on Police Chief approval and the area being fenced in. All approved.

City Clerk Darrow thanked City employee Terah Rinerson for the tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant before the Council Meeting. Clerk Darrow stated the City of Gilbert was significantly impacted by cuts to LGA and noted Gilbert is expected to see a reduction in the amount of \$118,333 this year. Darrow stated the Downtown Planning Committee had a great turnout for the Development and Design Meetings at the Community Center.

Clerk Darrow reported the City received a donation of five large mounted fish from Jerry Trunzo who caught the fish in Lake Ore-Be-Gone over the past several years. The fish will be displayed at the Campground.

Motion by Nemanick second Omersa to approve purchase of 2011 Dodge Charger for the Police Department from Dodge of Burnsville for \$22,618.00 through the State bid process. All Approved.

Motion by Nemanick second by Gentile to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. All approved.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

The aforementioned is a summary of the action items from this meeting. To listen to the full transcript of this meeting, please contact City staff at 218.748.2232.