

September 21, 2011

The governing body met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., September 21, 2011 in the councilroom. Mayor Joe Mitchell and councilmembers Bruce Hermes, Steve Bennett, Jim Mitchell, Bob Claas and Galen Niehues were present. Councilmember Ray Shinn was absent. Also present were City Administrator Tami Haverkamp, Bill and Darlene Kuhlman and reporters Heidi Wolfgang and Jim Copeland.

Bob Claas moved and Steve Bennett seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2011 council meeting. Four voted aye, while Galen Niehues abstained as he was not present at that meeting.

Galen Niehues moved and Bruce Hermes seconded a motion to approve the grants approved by the Travel & Tourism Committee. They were: Seneca Car Show - \$750.00; Seneca Downtown Impact for the Labor Day 5K Run/Walk - \$1300.00; and SKIP (Special Kids – Informed Parents) for a Children’s Resource Fair - \$1000.00. All five voted aye.

Bob Claas moved and Galen Niehues seconded a motion to update the bylaws and set up procedures and follow-ups for Travel and Tourism Grants. All five voted aye.

Jim Mitchell moved and Bruce Hermes seconded a motion to allow Tami Haverkamp work with EMG about other available options for the City’s electric contract. All five voted aye.

Bob Claas moved and Jim Mitchell seconded a motion to table opting out of our KPP Contract until a later time. All five voted aye.

Jim Mitchell moved and Steve Bennett seconded a motion to approve a Water Rate Agreement with Rural Water District No. 2. All five voted aye.

Bob Claas moved and Jim Mitchell seconded a motion to set up an electric committee meeting with a representative from Seneca Downtown Impact and a representative from Chamber of Commerce to discuss Christmas light decorations for the holiday season. All five voted aye.

At 8:20 p.m., Galen Niehues moved and Jim Mitchell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. All five voted aye.

Jane F. Strathman
City Clerk