

month. Once cell #2 is done, we will look at cell #1 and cell #4 and do them at the same time to speed up the process. At this time, council approved pay request #3

Council also added payment application #2 in the amount of \$7,980.00. Council discussed payment application #1 in a previous council meeting but never continued with the motion. Council will now make a motion for payment application #3 and payment application #1. There will be one check made out in the amount of \$25,447.17 and \$7,980.00.

Councilor Towle motioned Gripne seconded to approve pay request #3 in the amount of \$25,447.17. Roll call: Yes; Towle, Rowan, Gripne, Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Councilor Gripne motioned Towle seconded to approve pay request #1 in the amount of \$7,980.00. Motion carried.

Council discussed the renewal for a 2016 currency exchange license for Martin Montanez dba Novedades Bronco.

Councilor Rowan motioned Gripne seconded to approve the renewal license for 2016 for Martin Montanez. Motion carried.

Council discussed the backwash at the water treatment plant. Police Chief Kevin Langer stated that he received a call regarding kids at the backwash drinking the water. Langer is asking the council how we would fix that situation.

Administrator Thomes will bring this up to Public Works Director Dan Spieker. Police Chief Langer stated we will discuss this a little bit more.

Fire Chief Jim Kreemer stated, at the fire meeting on Wednesday, they were working on the bids for the hose. Kreemer noted minimal damage to a vehicle at Todd 27. Kreemer was helping the ambulance back up and he accidentally hit a car. Administrator Thomes is working with Centra Care on getting the issue resolved.

Police Chief Kevin Langer stated they had 321 incidents including a stabbing in Long Prairie. They also had 5 mental health issues for the month and had to transport one of them to Hennepin County.

Councilor Towle stated the liquor store is getting ready for their staff meeting on Sunday. Pam is working on getting in the new card readers. Towle stated the library is looking for a specific place to park. On the south side of the building, they were having some issues of parking because of the DMV being there on Fridays. The city will work with the library on getting specific parking for that area possibly designating 3 parking spots. The library has requested to have 3 cleaning days per week.

City Administrator Thomes received a letter from Walt Lackmann. As of the end of October, they will be resigning as cleaners at the library/old city hall effective October 31, 2015. Administrator Thomes is checking around for new people to clean over there.

EDA is working on the comp plan. There will be a meeting next Wednesday and all residents are invited to come and help discuss the new comp plan. There will be a Manufacturers' Breakfast next Tuesday, October 13, 2015.

Mayor Rasmussen stated Tourism for next year. They are talking about music in the park and getting those plans underway. Rasmussen stated Aviation Across America requested a proclamation. Mayor Rasmussen declared that general aviation is a vital strategic resource to the City of Long Prairie and declares October 25, 2015, to be general Aviation Appreciation Month. They are still working on the 500 foot extension at the airport.

Councilor Rowan motioned Gripne seconded to approve the Proclamation Alliance for Aviation Across America. Motion Carried.

Administrator Thomes briefly talked about the email from Loren Fellbaum regarding the bridge closure at T. H. 71. This is for a project in 2020 and the traffic will be rerouted to County Road 56 Riverside Drive. Police Chief Kevin Langer felt at this time that this was a viable solution. Traffic may be a little more congested in that area but that is probably the best result for that detour. Administrator Thomes will send an email back to Loren Fellbaum stating yes, this looks like the correct action for that project rerouting the road that way.

At 7:50 there was a request to go into closed session for a brief discussion about union negotiations.

Councilor Gripne motioned Rowan seconded to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Brenda Thomes
City Administrator/Clerk

Don Rasmussen
Mayor