

**NEW YORK MILLS CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
September 14, 2015
4:45 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The special meeting of the New York Mills City Council was called to order at 4:47 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building at 28 Centennial 84 Drive West, New York Mills, Minnesota, all members of the Council having been notified of the meeting and the business to be transacted.

Members Present Gerber, Maki, Roder, Oakland, and Hoaby

Members Absent None

Staff Present City Clerk Darla Berry, Liquor Store Manager Joan Koep

Guests Present None

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 4:47 p.m. A quorum was present.

Presentation of Resolution No. 09-14-2015 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of \$480,000 GO Improvement Bonds, Series 2015A, and related bond issuance documentation

The MRWA loan documents are in the packet. The following Resolution was presented for consideration:

**CITY OF NEW YORK MILLS,
MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-2015

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$480,000
GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2015A,
PLEDGING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AND LEVYING A TAX FOR THE PAYMENT
THEREOF**

WHEREAS, the City of New York Mills, Minnesota (the "City"), has heretofore determined and declared that it is necessary and expedient to issue \$480,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2015A (the "Bonds" or, individually, a "Bond"), pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 429 and 475, to finance the construction of various improvements in the City (the "Improvements"); and

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WHEREAS, the Improvements and all their components have been ordered prior to the date hereof, after a hearing thereon for which notice was given describing the Improvements or all their components by general nature, estimated cost, and area to be assessed; and

WHEREAS, the City has retained David Drown Associates, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as its independent financial advisor for the sale of the Bonds and was therefore authorized to sell the Bonds by private negotiation in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 2(9); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of New York Mills, Minnesota, as follows:

Acceptance of Offer. The offer of Northview Bank, in Finlayson, Minnesota (the "Purchaser"), to purchase the Bonds at the rate of interest hereinafter set forth and to pay therefor the sum of par is hereby accepted.

Bond Terms; Original Issue Date; Denominations; Maturities; Interest and Redemption. The City shall forthwith issue the Bonds, which shall be in fully registered form without interest coupons, shall be dated, mature, bear interest, be subject to redemption and be payable as provided in the form of the Bond.

Purpose. The Bonds shall provide funds to finance the Improvements. The total cost of the Improvements, which shall include all costs enumerated in Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.65, is estimated to be at least equal to the amount of the Bonds. Work on the Improvements shall proceed with due diligence to completion. The City covenants that it shall do all things and perform all acts required of it to assure that work on the Improvements proceeds with due diligence to completion and that any and all permits and studies required under law for the Improvements are obtained.

Bond Registrar. The Clerk of the City of New York Mills, Minnesota, is appointed to act as bond registrar and transfer agent with respect to the Bonds (the "Bond Registrar"), and shall do so unless and until a successor Bond Registrar is duly appointed, all pursuant to any contract the City and Bond Registrar shall execute which is consistent herewith. The Bond Registrar shall also serve as paying agent unless and until a successor paying agent is duly appointed. Principal and interest on the Bonds shall be paid to the registered holders (or record holders) of the Bonds in the manner set forth in the form of Bond.

Form of Bond. The Bond, together with the Bond Registrar's Certificate of Authentication, shall be in substantially the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MINNESOTA
OTTER TAIL COUNTY
CITY OF NEW YORK MILLS

R-1

\$480,000

GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BOND, SERIES 2015A

<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Date of Original Issue</u>
3.50%	February 1, 2036	September 22, 2015

REGISTERED OWNER: NORTHVIEW BANK, IN FINLAYSON, MINNESOTA

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

The City of New York Mills, Otter Tail County, Minnesota (the "Issuer"), certifies that it is indebted and for value received promises to pay to the registered owner specified above, or assigns duly certified on the Certificate of Registration attached to and made a part of this Bond (the "Owner"), in the manner hereinafter set forth, the \$480,000 principal amount of this Bond in the principal installments due on February 1 of the years and in the amounts, respectively, as follows, with each such principal installment bearing interest until paid at the interest rate of 3.50% per annum:

<u>Principal Installments</u> <u>Due February 1</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Principal Installments</u> <u>Due February 1</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2017		\$14,000	2027		\$25,000
2018		17,000	2028		25,000
2019		19,000	2029		26,000
2020		19,000	2030		26,000
2021		19,000	2031		27,000
2022		20,000	2032		29,000
2023		21,000	2033		30,000
2024		21,000	2034		31,000
2025		23,000	2035		32,000
2026		24,000	2036		32,000

Interest. Interest shall be payable semiannually on August 1 and February 1 of each year, commencing February 1, 2016, and shall be calculated on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve thirty day months. At the time of final payment of all principal and interest on this Bond, the Owner shall surrender this Bond to the Clerk of the City of New York Mills, Minnesota (the "Registrar").

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Redemption. This Bond is subject to redemption and prepayment at the option of the Issuer on any payment date. Prior to February 1, 2023 the Bonds may be called on any payment date with a \$200 fee plus 1% penalty. Redemption may be in whole or in part of the Bonds subject to prepayment. If redemption is in part, the principal amount to be redeemed shall be determined by the Issuer. Mailed notice of redemption shall be given to the Registrar at least thirty days prior to prepayment or redemption.

Date of Payment Not a Business Day. If the nominal date for payment of any principal of or interest on this Bond shall not be a business day of the Issuer or of the Owner, then the date for such payment shall be the next such business day and payment on such business day shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of payment.

Transfer. This Bond is transferable, as provided in the Resolution, upon the Register kept by the Registrar upon surrender of this Bond together with a written instrument of transfer duly executed by the Owner or the Owner's attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new, fully registered Bond in the same aggregate principal amount shall be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor (or the transfer shall be duly recorded on the Register and the Certificate of Registration hereof), upon the payment of charges and satisfaction of applicable conditions, if any, as therein prescribed; provided that such transfer may occur only with respect to the entire Bond and all of the remaining principal amount of the sole final maturity hereof. The Issuer may treat and consider the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute Owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of the principal of and interest on this Bond (except for the payment of interest to the Owner as of a Record Date) and for all other purposes whatsoever.

Issuance; Purpose; General Obligation. This Bond is issued as a single instrument in the total principal amount of \$480,000, pursuant to and in full conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota and pursuant to a resolution adopted by the City Council on September 14, 2015 (the "Resolution") for the purpose of providing funds to finance the construction of various improvements within the jurisdiction of the Issuer. This Bond is payable out of the General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2015A Fund of the Issuer. This Bond constitutes a general obligation of the Issuer, and to provide moneys for the prompt and full payment of its principal, premium, if any, and interest when the same become due, the full faith and credit and taxing powers of the Issuer have been and are hereby irrevocably pledged.

Authentication. This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security unless the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been executed by the Registrar.

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation. This Bond has been designated by the Issuer as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED AND RECITED that all acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota to be done, to happen and to be performed, precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond, have been done, have happened and

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have been performed, in regular and due form, time and manner as required by law; and that this Bond, together with all other debts of the Issuer outstanding on the date of original issue hereof and the date of its issuance and delivery to the original purchaser, does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation of indebtedness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of New York Mills, Otter Tail County, Minnesota, by its City Council has caused this Bond to be executed on its behalf by the facsimile or manual signatures of its Mayor and its City Clerk, the corporate seal of the City having been intentionally omitted as permitted by law.

Date of Registration: CITY OF NEW YORK MILLS,
OTTER TAIL COUNTY, MINNESOTA
September 22, 2015

BOND REGISTRAR'S
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds
described in the Resolution
mentioned within.

s/

Mayor

s/

Clerk

REGISTRABLE BY AND
PAYABLE AT:
Office of the Clerk
City of New York Mills, Minnesota

Bond Registrar

REGISTER OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS

The installment of principal amount of the attached Bond has been prepaid on the dates and in the amounts noted below:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>SIGNATURE OF OWNER</u>	<u>SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR</u>
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If a notation is made on this register, such notation has the effect stated in the attached Bond. Partial payments do not require the presentation of the attached Bond to the Registrar, and an Owner could fail to note the partial payment here.

Execution. The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the City by the manual signatures or facsimile signatures of its Mayor and Clerk, the seal having been omitted as permitted by law. In the event of disability or resignation or other absence of either such officer, the Bonds may be signed by the signature of that officer who may act on behalf of such absent or disabled officer. In case either such officer whose signature shall appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if the officer had remained in office until delivery.

Delivery; Application of Proceeds. The Bonds when so prepared and executed shall be delivered by the Clerk to the Purchaser upon receipt of the purchase price, and the Purchaser shall not be obliged to see to the proper application thereof.

Fund and Accounts. There is hereby established a special fund to be designated "General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2015A Fund" (the "Fund") to be administered and maintained by the Clerk as a bookkeeping account separate and apart from all other funds maintained in the official financial records of the City. The Fund shall be maintained in the manner herein specified until all of the Bonds and the interest thereon have been fully paid. In such records there shall be established accounts of the Fund for the purposes and in the amounts as follows:

Construction Account. To the Construction Account there shall be credited the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, less any accrued interest and less capitalized interest, plus any special assessments levied with respect to the Improvements and collected prior to completion of the Improvements and payment of the costs thereof. From the Construction Account there shall be paid all costs and expenses of making the Improvements listed in paragraph 9, including the cost of any construction contracts heretofore let and all other costs incurred and to be incurred of the kind authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.65. Moneys in the Construction Account shall be used for no other purpose except as otherwise provided by law; provided that the proceeds of the Bonds may also be used to the extent necessary to pay interest on the Bonds due prior to the anticipated date of commencement of the collection of taxes or special assessments herein levied or covenanted to be levied; and provided further that if upon completion of the Improvements there shall remain any unexpended balance in the Construction Account, the balance (other than any special assessments) shall be transferred by the City Council to the Debt Service Account or the fund of any other improvement instituted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429, and provided further that any special assessments credited to the Construction Account shall only be applied towards payment of the costs of the Improvements upon adoption of a resolution by the City Council determining that the application of the special assessments for such purpose will not cause the City to no longer be in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.61, Subdivision 1.

Debt Service Account. To the Debt Service Account there shall be credited: (1) all collections of special assessments herein covenanted to be levied with respect to the Improvements and either initially credited to the Construction Account and not already spent as permitted above and required to pay any principal and interest due on the Bonds or collected subsequent to the completion of the Improvements and payment of the costs thereof; (ii) capitalized interest in the amount of \$6,020; (iii) all collections of all taxes herein and hereafter

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levied for the payment of the Bonds and interest on the Bonds; (iv) all investment earnings on funds held in the Debt Service Account; and (v) any and all other moneys which are properly available and are appropriated by the governing body of the City to the Debt Service Account. The Debt Service Account shall be used solely to pay the principal and interest and any premiums for redemption of the Bonds and any other general obligation bonds of the City hereafter issued by the City and made payable from said account as provided by law.

No portion of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments or to replace funds which were used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments, except (1) for a reasonable temporary period until such proceeds are needed for the purpose for which the Bonds were issued and (2) in addition to the above in an amount not greater than the lesser of five percent of the proceeds of the Bonds or \$100,000. To this effect, any proceeds of the Bonds and any sums from time to time held in the Construction Account or Debt Service Account (or any other City account which will be used to pay principal or interest to become due on the bonds payable therefrom) in excess of amounts which under then applicable federal arbitrage regulations may be invested without regard to yield shall not be invested at a yield in excess of the applicable yield restrictions imposed by the arbitrage regulations on such investments after taking into account any applicable "temporary periods" or "minor portion" made available under the federal arbitrage regulations. Money in the Fund shall not be invested in obligations or deposits issued by, guaranteed by or insured by the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof if and to the extent that such investment would cause the Bonds to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

Special Assessments. It is hereby determined that no less than twenty percent of the cost to the City of each Improvement financed by the Bonds within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.58, Subdivision 1(3), shall be paid by special assessments to be levied against every assessable lot, piece and parcel of land benefited by any of the Improvements. The City hereby covenants and agrees that it will let all construction contracts not heretofore let within one year after ordering each Improvement by the Bonds unless the resolution ordering the Improvement specifies a different time limit for the letting of construction contracts. The City hereby further covenants and agrees that it will do and perform as soon as they may be done all acts and things necessary for the final and valid levy of the special assessments, and in the event that any special assessment be at any time held invalid with respect to any lot, piece or parcel of land due to any error, defect, or irregularity in any action or proceedings taken or to be taken by the City, either in the making of the special assessments or in the performance of any condition precedent thereto, the City will forthwith do all further acts and take all further proceedings as may be required by law to make the special assessments valid and binding liens upon the properties. The special assessments have heretofore been authorized. Subject to such adjustments as are required by the conditions in existence at the time the special assessments are levied, it is hereby determined that the special assessments shall be payable in equal, consecutive, annual installments, with general taxes for the years shown below and with interest on the declining balance of all special assessments at a rate of 3.5% per annum, as set forth opposite the years specified below:

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<u>Improvement Designation</u>	<u>Levy Years</u>	<u>Collection Years</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015 Street & Utility Reconstruction	2016-2035	2017-2036	See attached schedule

At the time the special assessments are in fact levied the City Council shall, based on the then current estimated collections of the special assessments, make any adjustments in any ad valorem taxes required to be levied in order to assure that the City continues to be in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.61, Subdivision 1.

Tax Levy; Coverage Test. To provide moneys for payment of interest on the Bonds, there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property in the City a direct annual ad valorem tax which shall be spread upon the tax rolls and collected with and as part of other general property taxes in the City for the years and in the amounts as follows:

<u>Year of Tax Levy</u>	<u>Year of Tax Collection</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015-2035	2016-2036	See attached schedule

The tax levies are such that if collected in full they, together with estimated collections of special assessments and other revenues, will produce at least five percent in excess of the amount needed to meet when due the principal and interest payments on the Bonds. The tax levies shall be irrevocable so long as any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, provided that the City reserves the right and power to reduce the levies in the manner and to the extent permitted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.61, Subdivision 3.

Defeasance. When all Bonds have been discharged as provided in this paragraph, all pledges, covenants and other rights granted by this resolution to the registered holders of the Bonds shall, to the extent permitted by law, cease. The City may discharge its obligations with respect to any Bonds which are due on any date by irrevocably depositing with the Bond Registrar on or before that date a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full; or if any Bond should not be paid when due, it may nevertheless be discharged by depositing with the Bond Registrar a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full with interest accrued to the date of such deposit. The City may also discharge its obligations with respect to any prepayable Bonds called for redemption on any date when they are prepayable according to their terms, by depositing with the Bond Registrar on or before that date a sum sufficient for the payment thereof in full, provided that notice of redemption thereof has been duly given. The City may also at any time discharge its obligations with respect to any Bonds, subject to the provisions of law now or hereafter authorizing and regulating such action, by depositing irrevocably in escrow, with a suitable banking institution qualified by law as an escrow agent for this purpose, cash or securities described in Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.67, Subdivision 8, bearing interest payable at such times and at such rates and maturing on such dates as shall be required, without regard to sale and/or reinvestment, to pay all amounts to become due thereon to maturity or, if notice of redemption as herein required has been duly provided for, to such earlier redemption date.

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General Obligation Pledge. For the prompt and full payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds, as the same respectively become due, the full faith, credit and taxing powers of the City shall be and are hereby irrevocably pledged. If the balance in the Debt Service Account is ever insufficient to pay all principal and interest then due on the Bonds and any other bonds payable therefrom, the deficiency shall be promptly paid out of any other funds of the City which are available for such purpose, and such other funds may be reimbursed with or without interest from the Debt Service Account when a sufficient balance is available therein.

Certificate of Registration. The Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the County Auditor of Otter Tail County, Minnesota, together with such other information as the Auditor shall require, and to obtain the County Auditor's certificate that the Bonds have been entered in the County Auditor's Bond Register and that the tax levy required by law has been made.

Records and Certificates. The officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Purchaser, and to the attorneys approving the legality of the issuance of the Bonds, certified copies of all proceedings and records of the City relating to the Bonds and to the financial condition and affairs of the City, and such other affidavits, certificates and information as are required to show the facts relating to the legality and marketability of the Bonds as the same appear from the books and records under their custody and control or as otherwise known to them, and all such certified copies, certificates and affidavits, including any heretofore furnished, shall be deemed representations of the City as to the facts recited therein.

Negative Covenant as to Use of Bond Proceeds and Project. The City hereby covenants not to use the proceeds of the Bonds or to use the Project, or to cause or permit them to be used, or to enter into any deferred payment arrangements for the cost of the Project, in such a manner as to cause the Bonds to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code.

Tax-Exempt Status of the Bonds; Rebate. The City shall comply with requirements necessary under the Code to establish and maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103 of the Code of the interest on the Bonds, including without limitation (1) requirements relating to temporary periods for investments, (2) limitations on amounts invested at a yield greater than the yield on the Bonds, and (3) the rebate of excess investment earnings to the United States, if the Bonds (together with other obligations reasonably expected to be issued and outstanding at one time in this calendar year) exceed the small-issuer exception amount of \$5,000,000. For purposes of qualifying for the exception to the federal arbitrage rebate requirements for governmental units issuing \$5,000,000 or less of bonds, the City hereby finds, determines and declares that:

the Bonds are issued by a governmental unit with general taxing powers;

no Bond is a private activity bond;

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ninety-five percent or more of the net proceeds of the Bonds are to be used for local governmental activities of the City (or of a governmental unit the jurisdiction of which is entirely within the jurisdiction of the City); and

the aggregate face amount of all tax-exempt bonds (other than private activity bonds) issued by the City (and all subordinate entities thereof, and all entities treated as one issuer with the City) during the calendar year in which the Bonds are issued and outstanding at one time is not reasonably expected to exceed \$5,000,000, all within the meaning of Section 148(f)(4)(D) of the Code.

Designation of Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. In order to qualify the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code, the City hereby makes the following factual statements and representations:

the Bonds are issued after August 7, 1986;

the Bonds are not "private activity bonds" as defined in Section 141 of the Code;

the City hereby designates the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;

the reasonably anticipated amount of tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds, treating qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as not being private activity bonds) which will be issued by the City (and all entities treated as one issuer with the City, and all subordinate entities whose obligations are treated as issued by the City) during this calendar year 2014 will not exceed \$10,000,000; and

not more than \$10,000,000 of obligations issued by the City during this calendar year 2014 have been designated for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

The City shall use its best efforts to comply with any federal procedural requirements which may apply in order to effectuate the designation made by this paragraph.

Severability. If any section, paragraph or provision of this resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

Headings. Headings in this resolution are included for convenience of reference only and are not a part hereof, and shall not limit or define the meaning of any provision hereof.

Adopted this 14th day of September, 2015, by the City Council of the City of New York Mills.

Julie L. Gerber, Mayor

Darla Berry, City Clerk

ASSESSMENTS AND TAX LEVIES

Levy Year	Collection Year	Assessment Amount	Levy Amount
2015	2016	-0-	32,540
2016	2017	3,094	32,666
2017	2018	3,094	32,736
2018	2019	3,094	32,703
2019	2020	3,094	32,669
2020	2021	3,094	32,686
2021	2022	3,094	32,701
2022	2023	3,094	32,664
2023	2024	3,094	32,728
2024	2025	3,094	32,737
2025	2026	3,094	32,745
2026	2027	3,094	32,702
2027	2028	3,094	32,708
2028	2029	3,094	32,662
2029	2030	3,094	32,667
2030	2031	3,094	32,720
2031	2032	3,094	32,719
2032	2033	3,094	32,716
2033	2034	3,094	32,712
2034	2035	3,094	32,656

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL
CITY OF NEW YORK MILLS

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of New York Mills, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the attached and foregoing extract of minutes with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of a special meeting of the City Council, duly called and held on the date therein indicated, insofar as such minutes relate

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to authorizing the issuance and awarding the sale of \$480,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2015A.

WITNESS my hand on September 14, 2015.

Clerk

A motion was made by Roder and seconded by Maki to approve Resolution No. 09-14-2015 as presented. The motion carried without a dissenting vote.

Consideration of Wireless Internet Service Proposals and Technical Support Pricing

Clerk Berry noted that at the regular meeting we had questions on the bids as submitted. First, A Better Wireless did not submit a bid on the 15Mb/15Mb package. Also, it was unclear whether it had been determined that 15Mb/15Mb would be sufficient or not. In the days following that meeting, Berry spoke with representatives of both Arvig and A Better Wireless. In addition to the wireless service, the City wants its own dedicated IP address along with a domain name so that we have the ability to have customized emails identified as unique to the City of New York Mills. Also, we wondered about having technical support from each of the bidders so they were asked to incorporate pricing information on that. The revised bids are in the packet. The basic wireless service, IP address, and customized emails are included and the pricing is very similar from both providers. However, when it comes to technical support it is very evident that the pricing and services offered by A Better Wireless are more economical and makes the most sense for the City of New York Mills.

Berry explained some ongoing problems with the customer service of Arvig pertaining to our attempts to upgrade our capacities and the equipment installation saga. While Arvig as agreed to waive some fees, they installed equipment in a way that caused the internet service at the police department to go down all weekend; they then wanted to charge us for a service call to come and investigate the problem. M. Pederson was able to resolve the issue easily once he consulted with staff at A Better Wireless. The Arvig technician failed to connect one cable to the new equipment that was installed on Friday September 11 and so this resulted in the problems at the Police Department. We should not have been told there would be a charge to get this fixed.

A motion was made by Oakland and seconded by Roder to accept the proposal from A Better Wireless. The motion carried without a dissenting vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Roder and seconded by Maki to adjourn. The motion carried without a dissenting vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Darla Berry
City Clerk