

## **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2014 COLD SPRING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mayor Doug Schmitz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following members were found to be present: Mayor Doug Schmitz and Council Members Fran Ramler and Dave Stadther. Absent: Jan Dingmann and Bob Thelen. Others present: Paul Hetland, Heidi Stalboerger, Brian Lintgen, Kevin Janssen, Randy Ficker, Lesley Hentges, Joe Velazquez, Carrie Raber, Aaron Meyer, Kevin Dickhaus, Linda Blum, Bonnie Juergens, John Knaus, Donna Knaus, Greg Tacheny, Tom Kiess, N.A. Kiess, Paul Hoeschen and Angie Mueller.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

MOTION WAS MADE BY STADTHER, SECONDED BY RAMLER, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE NOVEMBER 24, 2014 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes – November 10, 2014

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2014 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

B. Approvals for St. Boniface for 2015

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2014-21, A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVALS FOR ST. BONIFACE PARISH FOR THEIR WINTER FESTIVAL, BONI BALL, CASH RAFFLE AND PARISH FESTIVAL FOR 2015. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

### **POSTPONED ASSESSMENT HEARING – CSAH 50 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Mayor Schmitz resumed the assessment hearing at 6:31 p.m. Lintgen provided information on the reconstruction of the water, sanitary sewer, streets, sidewalks, curb and gutter, and stormwater, which cost \$1,175,048.14. Hetland provided information about the assessments which will be for a ten year term at an interest rate of 4.75%. The following audience members commented at the public hearing.

1. Joe Velazquez – 515 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Joe inquired how the interest rate was determined. Council members stated that the City has to bond to pay for the project and that the rate is determined by what interest rate the City has to pay for the bond payments.

2. N.A. Kiess – 416 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Notkar inquired about his assessment because he does not have a driveway that was replaced in the project, yet his share of the assessment is similar in cost to other neighbors that did have a driveway that was replaced. He thought he should receive a reduction in his assessment amount since he did not have driveway replaced. Lintgen explained that the driveways and aprons are lumped into the streets costs and all the street costs for the project are pooled together and then divided equally by the number of properties according to the assessment policy. The Council agreed that the assessment policy is fair and that an exception would not be made to allow an assessment reduction.

Mayor Schmitz then called three times for further comment, hearing and seeing none the hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2014-20, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE “CSAH 50 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT”. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

### **PUBLIC HEARING –GNP COMPANY ANNEXATION**

Mayor Schmitz opened the public hearing at 7:06 pm. Hetland explained that Wakefield Township has been supportive of this annexation and that their building inspector has been working with the City’s inspector on the new construction happening on the property. Greg Tacheny from GNP Company stated that they are undergoing an expansion at the plant and that a truck shop is being constructed on this parcel and that annexation was necessary in order to implement city services at the property. The hearing was closed at 7:09 pm after hearing and seeing no public comments.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 333 IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF INTENT FOR THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN LAND TO THE CITY OF COLD SPRING PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES §414.0333, SUBD. 2. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

### **PUBLIC HEARING – WELLHEAD PROTECTION PLAN PART 2**

Mayor Schmitz opened the public hearing at 7:10 pm. Aaron Meyer from Rural Water Association presented information to the Council on the amended plan and explained how the plan specifies how the City proposes to protect the drinking water supply. He went on to explain that the plan includes the inventory that was taken of potential contaminate sources and how the drinking water supply is highly vulnerable to what happens at the land surface. He stated that the plan contains management strategies to continue efforts to keep the nitrate levels down and emergency preparedness strategies. The public hearing was closed at 7:26 pm after seeing and hearing no public comments.

MOTION WAS MADE BY STADTHER, SECONDED BY RAMLER, TO APPROVE THE WELLHEAD PROTECTION PLAN PART 2 AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT**

A. Approve Lawnmower Purchase

Hoeschen explained that the current mower with attachments is six years old but still has trade in value. He stated that they want to trade it in so they don't have to spend money to repair the mower in the future and the purchase is budgeted for 2015.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW LAWNMOWER FOR A TOTAL COST, AFTER TRADE-IN, OF \$17,400, FURTHERMORE, TO BE PAID FOR OUT OF THE 2015 PARKS BUDGET, LINE ITEM 11-65-66-6413. MOTION PASSED 2-0. RAMLER ABSTAINED.

**SELF REPORTING OF BOND DOCUMENT ISSUES TO THE S.E.C.**

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY RAMLER, TO SELF-REPORT ISSUES RELATED TO ANNUAL DISCLOSURE REPORTING FOR THREE BONDS TO THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, AND TO AUTHORIZE NORTHLAND SECURITIES TO COMPLETE THE NECESSARY REPORTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

**CITY ENGINEER REPORT**

A. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Crossing

Lintgen explained that the purchase agreement with BNSF has been signed and is being sent to them. He stated that once the signs are delivered for the trail crossing that the temporary road will be opened.

**LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS**

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY STADTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$217,846.97 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$21,226.21 PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

**ADJOURN**

MOTION WAS MADE BY STADTHER, SECONDED BY RAMLER, TO ADJOURN AT 7:44 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

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Doug Schmitz, Mayor

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Paul Hetland, City Administrator