

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019 COLD SPRING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Heinen at 6:30 p.m. The following City Council members were found to be present: Mayor Dave Heinen, and Council Members Jayme Knapp, Shannon Miller, Doug Schmitz and Gary Theisen. Others present: Brigid Murphy, Jon Stueve, Jason Blum, Karl Schmidt, Grant Schwieters, Bob Schwieters, Tom Junnila and Angie Mueller.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE MAY 28, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – May 14, 2019

B. Approval of a Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for the Cold Spring Fire & Rescue Relief Assn. for the Firefest Event – July 27, 2019 at the Cold Spring Brewing Company Distribution Center

C. Approval of an Alcohol License for Assumption Home Harvest Moon Event – October 4, 2019 at the St. Boniface Parish Center

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY MILLER, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST FOR 5TH AVENUE NORTH

Karl Schmidt, from Cold Spring Brewing Company explained that the Brewery would be getting two new tanks that are 52 feet in height and that cranes would need to be set up in order to get the tanks off the truck and positioned on the ground. He requested that 5th Avenue be closed so they could have enough room to move the tanks and equipment.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE A ROAD CLOSURE OF 5TH AVENUE NORTH FROM 2ND STREET NORTH TO 4TH STREET NORTH ON MAY 30, 2019 AND JUNE 12, 2019 FROM 9 A.M. TO 2 P.M. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING ON A UTILITY EASEMENT VACATION REQUEST FOR JJR HOLDINGS, LLC – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14

Mayor Heinen opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m. Tom Junnila from the Junnila Company spoke on behalf of Grant and Bob Schwieters. He explained that there is a utility easement that the Schwieters Chevrolet dealership building was constructed over. He stated that they were not aware of the utility easement being there until now. Murphy explained that when the property was annexed into the City it should have been identified, but it was apparently missed. Mayor Heinen called three times for testimony, after hearing none he closed the hearing at 6:35 p.m.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14, A RESOLUTION VACATING A UTILITY EASEMENT AS REQUESTED BY JJR HOLDINGS, LLC. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE FROM THE PARKING LOT SETBACK FOR JJR HOLDINGS, LLC – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15

It was explained that Schwieters' are requesting a variance from the 20-foot setback for the inventory parking lot they are planning to construct on the recently annexed Bauer parcel. The required setback for a commercial property abutting a residential district is 20 feet for parking areas. Murphy explained that the Bauer property abutting the Schwieters property has a severe slope to it so it would be unlikely that a house would be built into the slope and therefore the actual distance from the parking area to a residential structure would be substantial.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY MILLER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15, A VARIANCE FROM SECTION 11, SUBDIVISION 4, PART 5 (B) TO ALLOW FOR THE PARKING/PAVING OF THE INVENTORY DISPLAY AREA TO BE SET FIVE FEET FROM THE PROPERTY LINE ADJACENT TO A FUTURE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

FINAL APPROVAL JJR HOLDINGS PLAT – JJR HOLDINGS, LLC

The JRR Holdings Plat consists of one lot and one block. The plat combines the three lots that JJR Holdings owns and incorporates the parcel that was annexed, and they are purchasing from Bauer. MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT OF JJR HOLDINGS PLAT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

A. Temporary No Parking Zone on 5th Avenue North – May 31st

Stueve stated the Cold Spring Brewing Company had requested temporary no parking on 5th Avenue North on May 31st. Murphy added that they will be bringing new equipment in that day by long trucks and would like to have extra room to maneuver in that area.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE A TEMPORARY NO PARKING ZONE ON 5TH AVENUE NORTH ON MAY 31, 2019. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

B. Update on Engineering Related Items

Stueve reported that the new pump for Well #7 will be installed this week and that the Pilot Study continues to move forward.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

A. Mock Crash Demonstration Event

Chief Blum stated the Mock Crash Demonstration will be on June 13, 2019 in the north parking lot by Cold Spring Elementary.

B. Bike Rodeo Rescheduling Update

Chief Blum stated that a combined Bike Rodeo will be held in Richmond at Centennial Park prior to the Music in the Park event.

C. Ordinance Compliance

Chief Blum reminded the public that nuisance violation inspections are being done and that yards should be kept clean.

D. K9 Unit Deployment Report

Chief Blum stated Sgt. Spoden and K9 Cash assisted in apprehending a suspect that was wanted in connection with an attempted homicide in Chisago County. He stated the suspect gave up peacefully when they saw the K9 team approaching.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Liability Insurance Coverage Waiver

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE MAINTAINING THE LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE AT THE STATUTORY TORT LIABILITY COVERAGE LIMIT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

B. Alexander Park Splash Pad Groundbreaking

Murphy explained that the River Park Community Foundation would be hosting a ground-breaking ceremony for the Splash Pad on June 12th at 5:30 pm.

LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION WAS MADE BY KNAPP, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$58,918.60 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$1,077.98 PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

CLOSED MEETING

At 6:49 p.m. Mayor Heinen announced that the Council would be going into a closed session pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 13D.05 Subdivision 3(a) to conduct a performance review of the City Administrator.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Heinen announced that the Council meeting would be re-opened to the regular meeting at approximately 8:27 p.m. Mayor Heinen stated that the City Administrator received a satisfactory evaluation.

ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO ADJOURN AT 8:28 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

Dave Heinen, Mayor

Brigid Murphy, City Administrator