

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 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 Doug Schmitz and Gary Theisen. Absent: Shannon Miller and Jayme Knapp. Others present: Brigid Murphy, Jon Stueve, Brian Lintgen, Jason Blum, Rita Hennen, Tammy Paczkowski, Dan Weber, Rich Schreiner and Angie Mueller.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Rita Hennen stated that the Cold Spring Area Historical Society would be hosting a fundraiser on Friday, June 21st at the Third Street Brewhouse Tap Room Takeover.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE JUNE 11, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – May 28, 2019

B. Approval of Form LG240B Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo for the Cold Spring Area Historical Society on Saturday, July 27, 2019 at the 200 Block of Main Street During Hometown Pride Days.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN LAND AND THE IMMEDIATE ANNEXATION OF ENTIRE DESIGNATED AREA

Murphy explained that the land being annexed is the Arnold Schmitt property that the City will be purchasing for the Water Treatment Plant. She stated it is located to the east of the North Pointe development and north of the water tower. She stated that the closing for the sale of the property is scheduled for the end of June for tax purposes in 2020.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE THE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN LAND AND THE IMMEDIATE ANNEXATION OF THE ENTIRE DESIGNATED AREA. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO GRANT THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR THE AUTHORITY TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO CLOSE ON THE PURCHASE OF THE DESIGNATED AREA FROM ARNOLD SCHMITT. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

A. Seal Coating

Stueve stated that he contacted the contractor who did the seal coating project last year. He stated that the lack of oil used resulted in a poor-quality project. He stated the contractor will be coming back to get things straighten out on the project.

B. Thank You to Businesses

Stueve thanked the local business River Power and Equipment for the use of their trailer and Powerhouse for the use of a lawn mower during the last few weeks.

C. Pilot Study

Stueve stated that they are still seeing positive results from the pilot study and that staff from the Minnesota Department of Health will be coming for a tour of the study.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

A. County Road 158/1st Street South

Lintgen stated that work is continuing for the Feasibility Report and that quotes were obtained for soil borings.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT TESTING TECHNOLOGIES QUOTE OF \$2,945.00 FOR SOIL BORING TESTING FOR 1ST STREET SOUTH. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

B. Alexander Park Update

Lintgen stated that a formal review of the plans for the park was completed and given back to the River Park Community Foundation. He stated that they will be breaking ground soon.

C. River Links Fourth Addition Update

Lintgen stated that pipe work has been completed and that road work will be next.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

A. Monthly Call Updates

Chief Blum gave a report on the calls for service for the month of May.

B. Request to Appoint Dean Baumgarten as the School Resource Officer

Chief Blum stated that Officer Zayas has completed eight years as the Rocori School Resource Officer (SRO) and will now be returning to regular patrol duties. He stated that the open SRO position had been posted to all current department employees, since the 2019 budget includes an additional full-time officer position to start in September. He stated that he consulted with Rocori staff and is recommending Officer Dean Baumgarten for the SRO position starting September 1st, 2019.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF DEAN BAUMGARTEN AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER; FURTHERMORE, TO APPROVE THE PAY RATE OF \$26.22 DURING HIS SIX-MONTH PROBATIONARY PERIOD, AND THEN A STEP INCREASE ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, CONTINGENT ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAM AND BACKGROUND CHECK. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

C. Mock Crash Demonstration

Chief Blum announced that the Mock Crash would be on June 13th and that there would be a free meal served before the demonstration.

D. Highway 23 U-Turn Notice

Chief Blum stated that a no u-turn sign has been posted on Highway 23 for westbound traffic near Dairy Queen. He stated that officers have been and will continue to write citations for an illegal u-turn at this location.

E. Ordinance Update

Chief Blum stated that notices of violations of the nuisance ordinance have gone out and officers will be continuing ordinance enforcement.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. St. Boniface Parade Float Discussion

Murphy stated that a registration form was received for the St. Boniface Parade and asked Council members to check their calendars and let her know if they would like to participate in the parade.

B. Fox 9 Town Ball Tour Feature

Murphy explained that Fox 9 news will be in Cold Spring on Wednesday, June 12th doing a live broadcast from 5-7 p.m. for their Town Ball Tour feature.

LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$116,012.53 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$20,106.04 PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

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 Fire Chief.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Heinen announced that the meeting would be re-opened at approximately 7:15 p.m. Mayor Heinen stated that the performance review results were that the Fire Chief was meeting expectations now that the specific requirements have been conveyed.

ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO ADJOURN AT 7:16 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 3-0.

Dave Heinen, Mayor

Brigid Murphy, City Administrator