

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 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, Brian Lintgen, Jon Stueve, Jason Blum, Connie Rausch, Jim Rausch, Doug Backes and Angie Mueller.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY MILLER, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE JULY 23, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – July 9, 2019

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

ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH FRANK AND ELAINE LINDELL, TRUSTEES OF THE FRANK LINDELL TRUST

Murphy explained that the Frank Lindell Trust is working with the Sauk River Watershed District to install an outlet culvert to redirect water on their property along Greystone Road. Murphy stated that the culvert outlet is planned to be placed on Lindell's property, but within an easement that the City has on the property. She stated that the issue has been discussed with the City Attorney who gave their approval for the encroachment agreement.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH FRANK AND ELAINE LINDELL, TRUSTEES OF THE FRANK LINDELL TRUST. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

A. Ground Storage Tank Property Sprinkler System

Stueve stated that last year a retaining wall had been installed at the Ground Storage tank property and this year a sprinkler system was budgeted to be completed.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE EASY GREEN INSTALLING THE SPRINKLER SYSTEM AT THE GROUND STORAGE WATER TANK SITE AT A COST OF \$3,995.00 AND FURTHERMORE, TO BE PAID FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE LINE ITEM #6411. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

B. Approve the Trade-In for the Zero Turn Lawn Mower

Stueve stated that OSHA and the League of Minnesota Cities Workers Compensation have given permission to trade-in the lawn mower which was being operated when the accident involving Dave Rausch occurred. Stueve stated that Powerhouse has been providing the City with a free rental of a mower since the accident to keep the department going.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED KNAPP, TO APPROVE THE TRADE-IN OF THE KUBOTA ZERO TURN MOWER AND PURCHASE OF AN X-MARK ZERO TURN E-SERIES MOWER FOR A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$3,399.00 FROM POWERHOUSE OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT AND FURTHERMORE TO PAY FOR IT OUT OF THE PARKS CAPITAL BUDGET LINE ITEM #6413. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

C. Recap of Water Treatment Pilot Tour

Stueve stated that the tour went very well and everyone is excited about the project.

D. Main Street and Red River Tree Issue

Stueve stated that the trees planted in Alexander Park will be impacted by the proposed granite wall. He stated that the trees will be removed and replanted in the downtown area to replace the dead or missing trees in the boulevard.

E. Monthly Safety Meetings

Stueve stated that public works staff attends monthly safety meetings put on through the League of Minnesota Cities and the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

A. County Road 158/1st Street South Update

Lintgen reported that they are still working on the Feasibility Report. He stated it will be presented to the Council in August.

B. River Links Fourth Addition

Lintgen reported that road building activities are still occurring.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

A. Accept Gift of \$100 from an Anonymous Donor – Resolution No. 2019-18

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-18, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A CASH DONATION TO THE COLD SPRING POLICE DEPARTMENT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

B. Request for Traffic Control at 2nd Avenue North Intersections

Chief Blum stated that it was brought to his attention that there are no traffic control signs at the intersection of 2nd Avenue North and 1st Street North. He stated that an accident occurred at this location and with Granite Landing Apartments now open there will be more traffic in this area. He also recommended a stop sign be added at 2nd Avenue North and 2nd Street North, near the Creekview area since there will be additional homes in that area too.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KNAPP, SECONDED BY THEISEN, TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS ON THE EAST/WEST INTERSECTION OF 1ST STREET NORTH AND 2ND AVENUE NORTH AND A STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF 2ND AVENUE NORTH AND 2ND STREET NORTH. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

Doug Backes inquired about adding a stop sign on their private road, Creekview Drive. He was given an estimate for the cost of the sign, to which he stated he would need to check with their association before making any financial decisions.

C. Sealed Bids for 1999 Ford Truck

Chief Blum stated that bids are still being accepted for the sale of a 1999 Ford Truck.

D. National Night Out

Chief Blum stated that block parties are planned for August 6th in both Cold Spring and Richmond.

E. Hometown Pride Update

Chief Blum stated that officers will be in the Event Tent on Friday at noon and encouraged the use of the shuttles for the Firefest Event.

F. Farmer's Market Appreciation

Chief Blum stated that the Farmer's Market hosted a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day and that officers were there to visit with the market attendees.

G. Fraud Talks Availability

Chief Blum stated that Investigator Revermann has a fraud presentation that he is willing to give to groups and that if anyone is interested in it they should contact the office.

H. Highway 23 Signal Timing

Chief Blum stated that MnDOT will be contacted to discuss the timing of the traffic control signal at Highway 23 and Main St, to see if it can be modified to accommodate shift change at Pilgrims to prevent traffic from getting backed up.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Alexander Park

Murphy provided the Council with the photometric design that had been completed for Alexander Park. She stated that the spec lights will be similar in design to those on the promenade. She added that a compromise has been reached on the flashing vs. sealant issue for the support columns.

B. Rocori Trail Board Funding Request Update

Murphy stated that the Rocori Trail made the funding list from the State Legislative Commission for \$1.2 million and the funds would be awarded in May of 2020.

C. Highway 23 and Interstate 94 Interchange Update

Murphy stated that she was provided with the design drawing for the configuration of the Highway 23/I-94 Interchange. She stated that construction is supposed to start in August and will be completed in July of 2020.

LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$1,040,972.51 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$104,731.90 PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

BOARD AND COMMISSIONS UPDATES

A. Planning Commission

Mayor Heinen and Councilor Miller stated that they discussed a plat being planned by Derek Mueller for seven patio homes which will be presented to the Council in August. They stated that a local resident, Bruce Hall initiated volunteering to have an engineer, free of cost, look at taking out the dam on Brewery Creek.

B. Heritage Preservation Commission

Murphy stated that they are continuing to catalog the listing of properties and are still in need of some photos.

C. Park Board

Schmitz stated that they have not met but will be meeting in August.

D. EDA

Councilor Knapp stated that they discussed the Revolving Loan for Tyler Schramel and are continuing committee work with the Chamber of Commerce.

E. Rocori Trail Construction Board

Murphy stated that they paid invoices and discussed the funding request.

ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY THEISEN, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO ADJOURN AT 6:50 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

Dave Heinen, Mayor

Brigid Murphy, City Administrator