

## **TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015 COLD SPRING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mayor Robert R. Thelen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following members were found to be present: Mayor Robert R. Thelen and Council Members Fran Ramler, Jan Dingmann, Dave Heinen and Jayme Knapp. Others present: Kris Dockendorf, Frank Rajkowski, Heidi Stalboerger, Chris Boucher, JoAnn Thelen, Dan Steil, Tanya Schmidt, Shawn Garding, Pete Weber, Brian Lintgen, Curt Sauer, Brad Matuska and Angie Mueller.

### **OPEN PUBLIC FORUM**

Chief of Police Chris Boucher invited residents to the National Night Out neighborhood block parties being hosted in North Pointe Park and Pioneer Park on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

MOTION WAS MADE BY KNAPP, SECONDED BY HEINEN, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE JULY 28, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes – July 14, 2015 and July 23, 2015

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEINEN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND THE JULY 23, 2015 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

B. One-Day Gambling License, Nicholas P. Koenig HERO Foundation

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEINEN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE FORM LG220 APPLICATION FOR EXEMPT PERMIT TO CONDUCT ONE-DAY GAMBLING FOR NICHOLAS P. KOENIG HERO FOUNDATION FOR A RAFFLE TO BE HELD OCTOBER 16, 2015 AT THE GREAT BLUE HERON; FURTHERMORE, TO WAIVE THE 30 DAY WAITING PERIOD FOR SAID PERMIT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

C. 2016 Budget Calendar

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEINEN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO APPROVE THE 2016 BUDGET CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE THE SEPT. 11, 2015 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

### **FIELD OF DREAMS UPDATE- BRAD MATUSKA COLD SPRING AREA YOUTH BASEBALL**

Brad Matuska from the Cold Spring Area Youth Baseball organization explained that there is a groundbreaking ceremony planned for the following day to begin the improvements at Field C. He thanked the Council for their support of the project and invited everyone to attend the celebration.

### **WATER/WASTEWATER SUPERVISOR REPORT**

A. Report on New Well

Tanya Schmidt reported that the results of the test pump that occurred over a three day period showed the iron manganese levels to be okay, but the nitrates were a 5.6 level on the last day which is somewhat concerning. She stated she would be meeting with the Department of Health and Department of Natural Resources to discuss the results and determine the next steps.

B. Hiring of Water/Wastewater Operator

Schmidt reported that the hiring committee had met and is recommending Shawn Garding for the Water/Wastewater Operator position.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KNAPP, SECONDED BY DINGMANN, TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HIRING COMMITTEE TO HIRE SHAWN GARDING FOR THE POSITION OF WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2015. FURTHERMORE, TO START HIM AT STEP 2 OF GROUP 8 OF THE PAY SCHEDULE, THAT HE ADVANCE TO STEP 3 OF GROUP 8 ONLY AFTER OBTAINING BOTH HIS MINNESOTA WATER AND WASTEWATER LICENSES, AND THEN MOVE TO STEP 4 OF GROUP 8 ON AUGUST 1, 2016 AND ADVANCE TO THE NEXT STEP EACH YEAR THEREAFTER ON AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

**CITY ENGINEER REPORT****A. Presentation of the Feasibility Report for CSAH 2 Reconstruction Project**

Brian Lintgen presented the Feasibility Report for the CSAH 2 Reconstruction Project. Lintgen explained the scope of the project and the estimated costs including a list of the proposed assessments. He informed the Council that elements of the streetscaping portion of the project could certainly change as the project goes into the design stages.

Dockendorf presented information to the Council on the bonding for the project, which specifies that 20% of the cost of the improvements to the City must be assessed against the benefitting property owners. The Council agreed that they should move forward with holding an improvement hearing to get official feedback from the residents and business owners on the project.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY HEINEN, TO APPROVE THE FEASIBILITY REPORT AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.**

As a point of clarification it was noted that the Council's intention was to approve Resolution 2015-11, prepared by City staff, in which the Council would accept the Feasibility Report and call for a public hearing.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY DINGMANN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO CALL FOR AN IMPROVEMENT HEARING FOR THE "CSAH 2 RECONSTRUCTION" PROJECT. MOTION PASSED 5-0.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF ASSOCIATION REQUEST TO INCREASE RETIREMENT**

Jon Douvier was present on behalf of the Fire Department Relief Association and presented the request to increase the pension benefit. He stated that after receiving calculations from KDV, which is the association's auditors, the association voted to increase the yearly contribution. He stated that there will still be a 13% surplus in their fund after approving the change.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY HEINEN, SECONDED BY DINGMANN, TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF ASSOCIATION AND INCREASE THE RETIREMENT BENEFIT FROM \$2,000 PER YEAR OF SERVICE, TO \$2,050 PER YEAR OF SERVICE. MOTION PASSED 5-0.**

**CITY ENGINEER REPORT, CONTINUED****B. 2015 Cold Spring Capital Improvements**

Lintgen stated that 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue connection is still closed until the trail signs are installed. He stated that soon the wear course will be applied to the surface. He stated that on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue the water and sewer work is completed and they will begin to construct the road soon.

**C. Stormwater Grant Update**

Lintgen reported that the survey work is completed and the design work will begin soon.

**LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY DINGMANN, SECONDED BY HEINEN, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$137,142.69 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$4,518.66 PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 5-0.**

**GENERAL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Councilor Ramler inquired about a noise complaint that was brought to his attention concerning the lawn mowers operating before 7:00 a.m. at River Oaks Golf Course. Mayor Thelen stated that he talked to the Golf Course owner and he requested to leave things alone at this point. Chief Boucher stated he would recommend that the Council make an amendment to the City Code. The Council agreed that there should be an open discussion on the matter and directed staff that the item be put on the next agenda.

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY HEINEN, SECONDED BY KNAPP, TO ADJOURN AT 8:16 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 5-0.**

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Robert R. Thelen, Mayor

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Kris Dockendorf, Acting City Administrator