



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 21, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

Present: Mayor: Randy Gilbert; Council: Sam Rettinger, Sharon Henderson, and Liz Olson

Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post; City Engineer: Toby Muse, SEH; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

Absent: Council: Brian Carpenter (with prior notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gilbert invited Hennepin County Commissioner Jan Callison to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Henderson, seconded by Rettinger, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: all.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- A. Approve Minutes of September 7, 2010 City Council Work Session
- B. Approve Minutes of September 7, 2010 City Council Meeting
- C. Approve Vendor Claims and Payroll
- D. Accept the Use of a 1994 Honda Civic for Live Extrication Training

A motion was made by Henderson, seconded by Olson, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: all.

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

No one was in attendance to address the City Council during Open Correspondence.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Update From Hennepin County 6th District Commissioner Jan Callison

Jan Callison, Hennepin County 6th District Commissioner, reviewed the structure of Hennepin County's three budgets; updated the Council on the County's proposed preliminary operating budget levy including a 0.7% increase; and discussed how the proposed levy would impact County programs and services. She highlighted a new medicine collection event the County would be hosting in St Louis Park from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on the following Saturday. Commissioner Callison ended her presentation by encouraging the Council to continue to think long term as they think about their work and the community, and welcomed Council member questions or concerns.

Mayor Gilbert commented that the turnback of Highway 12 will continue to be an issue on the minds of Long Lake and communication must be maintained to assure residents can both get and give information as the project moves forward. He further stated he was happy to see that the County

budget was close to a zero increase and realizes the County will need to make cuts, and stated he would be interested to see whether the County had any programs available to encourage collaboration or money saving opportunities.

Commissioner Callison spoke to the idea of collaboration and noted the County is looking at County area cities to see where opportunities for collaboration do and could exist.

Remarks From Wayzata Mayor Ken Willcox

Ken Willcox, Mayor of the City of Wayzata, appeared to introduce himself and to tell the Long Lake Council that he is delighted Long Lake selected Wayzata to be its Police services provider moving forward. He expressed his pride in their Police Department, discussed efforts the Department is undertaking to assure the transition to Wayzata's Police service is as smooth as possible, and highlighted some of the community outreach services Wayzata Police provides.

Council and staff discussed desired communication efforts towards informing Long Lake residents of the City's Police service change, and the status of the draft contract formalizing the agreement between the two cities.

Mayor Gilbert suggested having a future work session between the Wayzata and Long Lake City Councils in January to create an opportunity for the Councils to become better acquainted.

Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Affordable and Lifestyle Housing Goals for 2011-2020

Post stated that the City previously elected to voluntarily participate in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act Housing Incentives Account for the period from 1996 to 2010. Housing goals were negotiated with the Metropolitan Council and resulted in the following goals: new affordable ownership units 70; new affordable rental units 23; and new rental units 47. The City's housing stock total declined during this period because of the TH 12 bypass construction project, yet the goals were never reduced. Participation in this program has allowed the City to compete for grants and loans to support activities that help the City meet its affordable and life style housing goals, clean up polluted sites, and support demonstration grants linking jobs, housing, and transit. The City has received LCA grants totaling \$645,000 during the 1996 to 2009 time period.

The City's 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update as approved by the Metropolitan Council included a policy statement that the City acknowledged its fair share of the region's affordable housing need. The fair share number determined by the Metropolitan Council for the next decade is 40 units. The Council realizes the situation of limited funding in this economic environment, and has thereby reduced the affordable housing goal as a range of between 23 to 40 units. The Council has also established a life-cycle housing goal range to diversify the type and density of housing of 40 to 100 housing units. If the City wishes to voluntarily participate, there is an additional requirement to develop a Housing Action Plan before December 1, 2010.

Council and staff discussed the housing goals proposed. Council members agreed that it would be great to have a sector representative from the Metropolitan Council come to a meeting for the Council to ask further questions regarding how the housing goals are established, and what types of Metropolitan Council Livable Communities loan programs might be available to Long Lake in the future, prior to the Council formalizing a decision on whether the City will continue to voluntarily participate in the MLCA HIA program.

2009 TH 12 Watermain Repair Project Final Payment

Post indicated that staff received Application for Payment No. 3 from G.L. Contracting Inc. for the 2009 TH 12 Watermain Repair Project. The application is the final for this project and is in the

amount of \$928.75. City Engineer Toby Muse reviewed the application and found it to be in order. Application for Payment No. 3 reflects total contract earnings through May 24, 2010 of \$121,437.30 without any remaining retainage. The delay from the May 24 contract earnings date and the Pay Application date of September 9, 2010 relates to a \$1,500.00 liquidated damages deduction from available retainage for street restoration work in the Wolf Pointe Woods neighborhood. Staff recommends approval of the payment request in the amount of \$928.75.

Council member Henderson confirmed that the restoration had taken place on Wolf Pointe Trail and the contractor would be coming back to complete a final street sweeping to pick up excess material the following week.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Rettinger, to approve Application for Payment No. 3 (Final) from G.L. Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$928.75 for the 2009 TH 12 Watermain Repair Project. Ayes: all.

Application for Payment No. 1 for the 2010 Willow Drive Watermain Replacement Project

Post reported that of the total contract earned amount of \$173,357.41 for the project, the application for the Council's consideration at this time is for \$164,689.53 by virtue of the 5% or \$8,667.87 retainage being withheld. Staff estimates that the degree of job completion as of the September 10, 2010 Pay Application No. 1 date is approximately 65%.

Staff recommends approval of both Change Order No. 1 and Pay Application No. 1. Post noted that this project is being funded from TIF District 2 Fund No. 382 and not through the water utility.

City Engineer Muse reviewed how the project had progressed to date and discussed punch list and remaining project items yet to be addressed.

Mayor Gilbert recalled he had heard the dump truck drivers had not been advised of where they were hauling material out to at the project start and questioned whether there had been a lack of communication by the contractor.

City Engineer Muse responded that it was good to be advised the material hauling issue had occurred; however, when working with contractors that type of issue was not unusual.

Council requested that affected project area business owners be notified prior to the final wear course being completed.

A motion was made by Henderson, seconded by Olson, to approve Change Order No. 1 and Application for Payment No. 1 from GMH Asphalt Corporation in the amount of \$164,689.53 for the 2010 Willow Drive Water Main Replacement Project. Ayes: all.

OTHER BUSINESS

Northwest League of Municipalities Meeting – Council member Henderson reminded Council members that they are invited to the October Northwest League of Municipalities meeting.

Wayzata Merger Rumor – Council member Olson and Mayor Gilbert clarified for the viewing audience that there is no truth to any rumor that Long Lake is interested in merging with the City of Wayzata. The Council is looking for ways to save Long Lake money through reducing the cost of Police and consultant services.

Long Lake Golf Dome – Post stated that a pending sale of the Long Lake Golf Dome property for re-use as an indoor soccer facility is in the works and is excited as there is a demand for indoor soccer space in this area. The use is compliant with current zoning for the property.

Wayzata Police Information – City Clerk Moeller indicated she would be working with the Wayzata Police Department in the future to develop a one-page sheet for Long Lake resident reference containing contact and other pertinent information. She will also be taking advantage of the email crime alert network mentioned by Mayor Wilcox to forward crime alerts to the City's Listserv subscribers.

Wayzata Council Meeting – Mayor Gilbert said that he would be attending Wayzata's City Council meeting later in the week.

ADJOURN

Hearing no objection, Mayor Gilbert adjourned the meeting by general consent at 7:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Moeller
City Clerk