



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
November 9, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The work session meeting was called to order by Mayor Gilbert at 5:31 pm.

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

Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post, Public Works Director: Marv Wurzer

APPROVE AGENDA

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

BUSINESS ITEMS

Park Facility Use Agreements / Direction Discussion

Post commented that this discussion item related to a recent request by the Orono Baseball Association (OBA) to make improvements to the Holbrook Park ball field to make it more suitable for baseball instead of just for softball. Wurzer expressed concern about allowing improvements to proceed without a plan and review of such plan by the City. Council indicated that they would only support the extension of the ag-lime infield to 60 feet at this time without a more thorough plan review and use expectations discussion. Post commented that City staff had heard nothing thus far from the Orono Youth Hockey Association concerning any proposed 2010-2011 use of the Holbrook Park outdoor hockey rink.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Henderson described a situation concerning the end of the Wolf Pointe Trail roadway that becomes an unpaved city utility easement access and the class 5 erosion issues that occur. Council supported improving this easement segment area through the use of a pervious GeoBlock application and plan this for a 2011 erosion improvement to be funded by the SWM Fund in addition to exploring other materials (smaller granite chips) for other easement erosion slope areas.

Council also briefly discussed 2011 committee/ board openings including two on the Planning Commission (Hultmann and Skjaret) and Park Board (Chillstrom, Borgert, and possibly Dougherty through resignation).

ADJOURN

Hearing no objection, Mayor Gilbert adjourned the work session meeting by general consent at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrance Post
City Administrator