



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 16, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

Present: Mayor: Tim Hultmann; Council: Tom Skjaret, Donny Chillstrom, and Liz Olson

Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post; City Engineer: Jason Wedel; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

Absent: Council: Brian Carpenter (with prior notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY OF LONG LAKE UPDATE

Mayor Hultmann offered the following updates:

- Xcel Energy crews are out with shovels and power drills evaluating all power poles City wide to determine which poles are in need of repair or replacement.
- Hydrant flushing is taking place this week, and residents are encouraged to run faucets for water to clear prior to any washing activities.
- The Long Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and participating businesses are hosting their Safe Trick or Treating event on Saturday, October 27 from 11:00 to 1:00 pm, beginning at the Long Lake Fire Station.
- Residents are encouraged to vote in the upcoming November 6 State General Election.

Lastly, he reminded the viewing audience to continue to shop local.

APPROVE AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- A. Approve Minutes of October 2, 2012 City Council Work Session
- B. Approve Minutes of October 2, 2012 City Council Meeting
- C. Receive Unofficial Draft Minutes of October 9, 2012 Planning Commission Meeting
- D. Approve Vendor Claims and Payroll
- E. Reschedule November 6 City Council Meeting to Alternate Date of November 7; Schedule Meeting of Long Lake Canvassing Board for Tuesday, November 13 at 6:15 pm

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

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

No one appeared to address the City Council during Open Correspondence.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Planning Case #2012-06: Request for Amendment to CUP to Allow Additional Exterior Recreational Uses; Request for CUP for an Outdoor Fence (Netting) / Donny Mark, The 10Dome, 2465 W Wayzata Boulevard

Post advised that although the Planning Commission had unanimously recommended approval of this application, in reading Planning Consultant Perry's report there were items to be addressed prior to the Council meeting that have not yet been resolved. Due to a schedule conflict, Planning Consultant Perry was unable to be present at the Council meeting. Additionally, Post noted the applicant was not in attendance. Post recommended the Council consider tabling this agenda item for discussion at a future meeting to allow for the applicant to be present for the review of this planning case.

A motion was made by Chillstrom, seconded by Skjaret, to table this agenda item to a future meeting in order for the applicant to be in attendance. Ayes: all.

Planning Case #2012-07: Request for Sign Variance / Bryan Keeler, Lakeside Wine & Spirits, 1916 W Wayzata Boulevard

Post reported that Lakeside Wine & Spirits is seeking a Sign Variance from 45 square feet to 50.4 square feet in order to allow their business to utilize an existing sign cabinet from their previous location at their new site in a different zoning district. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the variance for this particular sign, noting that re-use of the sign cabinet is responsible from a sustainability perspective.

Council member Skjaret pointed out that the Commission had discussed the feasibility of modifying the size of the existing sign cabinet, but doing so would require rewiring and further expense to modify the framing. Ultimately the variance request is for a sign only five square feet larger than the maximum allowed, and the Commission agreed that refacing the existing sign cabinet would be a good reuse of the sign.

Council members were in favor of the variance request from a sustainability aspect, and also discussed the property's future use of the monument sign base at the site with the applicant.

A motion was made by Skjaret, seconded by Olson, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-32 approving a variance for sign area from 45 sq. ft. to 50.4 sq. ft. to place an existing sign on a building located at 1916 W. Wayzata Boulevard, Long Lake for Lakeside Wine & Spirits as requested by Bryan Keeler with the findings of fact and conditions noted in the resolution. Ayes: all.

Authorization for Application to the Metropolitan Council for Infrastructure Inflow / Infiltration Grant Program

Post referred to City Engineer Wedel to provide the background on this item.

City Engineer Wedel indicated that previously the Council authorized the preparation of a feasibility study for the reconstruction of Brimhall Avenue and Tamarack Avenue. Part of that street reconstruction project will be the replacement of existing sanitary sewer which is currently not functioning properly, allowing a significant amount of ground water to enter the pipes. The Metropolitan Council provides matching grants to replace sanitary sewer with these types of issues for cities that are included on their list of contributors of excessive inflow and infiltration and the City of Long Lake is on that list. Wedel is hoping the City will initially receive a grant approval for \$50,000, but will submit an application in the amount of \$250,000 in the event it is determined the project would be eligible for full funding. Authorization in the form of a

Resolution by the Council is needed to apply, committing that the City will have the matching funds available should a grant award be approved.

A motion was made by Chillstrom, seconded by Skjaret, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-30 authorizing the application for Metropolitan Council Municipal Infiltration/Inflow Grant. Ayes: all.

OTHER BUSINESS

Impact of CSAH 112 Turnback – Council member Olson had recently attended a Chamber of Commerce luncheon, which inspired her to begin thinking about the dilemmas Long Lake businesses may face during the future CSAH 112 Turnback Project. She encouraged the City to take a more proactive approach in working with the business community to be better prepared for future project impacts and dissemination of project information.

Cleanup Day at Union Cemetery – Council member Chillstrom indicated that the Orono Lions Club is looking for volunteers to assist in a cleanup day at Union Cemetery on Saturday, October 20 beginning at 9:00 am. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Feasibility Study Update – Council member Skjaret questioned the status of the Brimhall and Tamarack Avenues Street Reconstruction Project feasibility study. City Engineer Wedel responded that private utility information has been ordered, topographic information is in place, and an open house has been scheduled with property owners for the following week to receive input on the proposed project. Feedback received will be incorporated in the feasibility study report.

Employee Anniversary – Post congratulated City Clerk Moeller on completion of her ninth year of employment with the City.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Chillstrom, seconded by Skjaret, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: all. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Moeller
City Clerk