



**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
July 7, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

**Present:** Mayor: Donny Chillstrom; Council: Kurt Kaminski, Marty Schneider, and Liz Olson

**Staff Present:** City Administrator: Scott Weske; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

**Absent:** Council: Jahn Dyvik (with prior notice)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**LONG LAKE NEWS UPDATE AND WORK SESSION REVIEW**

Mayor Chillstrom offered the following updates:

- The City of Long Lake now has a new Facebook page featuring regular updates of community highlights.
- As a reminder to everyone, please shop local as often as possible.
- A company called SourceGroup has purchased the former Lakeside Wine and Spirits building near SuperAmerica and will begin making improvements to the property in the near future.
- In a work session prior to the regular meeting, Council members interviewed candidate Lori Goodsell for a vacant position on the EDA; discussed the Wayzata Police services contract; and explored the feasibility of relocating the trail proposed as part of the CSAH 112 improvement project to the north side of the roadway alongside the lake.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- A. Approve Minutes of June 16, 2015 City Council Meeting
- B. Approve Vendor Claims and Payroll
- C. Adopt Resolution No. 2015-24 Authorizing Signatories on the City's TD Ameritrade Account
- D. Approve Master Subscriber Agreement to Minnesota Government Access (MGA) System
- E. Adopt Resolution No. 2015-25 Appointing Lori Goodsell to Serve an Unexpired Term on the Economic Development Authority

*A motion was made by Kaminski, seconded by Schneider, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: all.*

## OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

**Brad Erickson, Owner of Orono Station at 2260 W Wayzata Boulevard** – Mr. Erickson appeared to formally submit a petition to the City Council on behalf of local businesses. The petition expresses the business community's concerns regarding potential closure of Wayzata Boulevard W during future CSAH 112 project construction and asked that the City partner with the business community to represent their interests to the County. Mayor Chillstrom indicated the Council continues to work diligently to represent Long Lake in CSAH 112 project discussions. Mr. Erickson expanded on the business community's concerns and stated that two lanes of traffic must remain open at all times for the duration of the project and for the viability of the community. He also requested an economic impact study be completed.

## BUSINESS ITEMS

### **Approve Liquor Licenses for Birch's on the Lake**

City Clerk Moeller stated that Brennan Greene, in a partnership with manager Burt Joseph of the current Birch's Restaurant in Long Lake, intends to jointly open a new supper club restaurant and brewhouse to be known as Birch's on the Lake at the former Billy's Lighthouse property located at 1310 W Wayzata Boulevard. Mr. Greene submitted an application for On Sale Intoxicating and Sunday Sales Liquor Licenses in March 2015. A background investigation of Mr. Greene has been completed by the Wayzata Police Department as required by City Ordinance. The Wayzata Police Department has no objection to issuance of the licenses requested. Staff is recommending approval of the requested liquor licenses, and noted that the applicant will be applying for all required Federal and State permitting/licensing necessary for brewery operations.

Mr. Greene indicated that Birch's on the Lake is currently aiming to open for business in September. The establishment will be split into two levels – an upstairs supper club and a more casual downstairs brewery and bar level. He provided an update on the renovations currently in progress at the site.

*A motion was made by Schneider, seconded by Kaminski, to adopt Resolution No. 2015-26 approving issuance of liquor licenses for Birch's Brewhouse LLC, doing business as Birch's on the Lake, with contingencies. Ayes: all.*

### **Approve Liquor Licenses for Primo Plates and Pours, LLC**

Moeller reported that Anthony Ostlund recently signed a lease agreement for the space formerly occupied by Birch's Restaurant located at 1935 West Wayzata Boulevard and intends to open and operate a new establishment, Primo Plates and Pours. Mr. Ostlund submitted an application for On Sale Intoxicating and Sunday Sales Liquor Licenses in early June 2015. A background investigation of Mr. Ostlund has been completed by the Wayzata Police Department as required by City Ordinance. The Wayzata Police Department has no objection to issuance of the licenses requested. Staff is recommending approval of the requested liquor licenses.

Mr. Ostlund indicated that Primo Plates and Pours hopes to open for business sometime in the month of August. The "American, with an Italian nod" menu will feature small plate appetizers, salads, gourmet personal pizzas, made-from-scratch pasta dishes, high end entrees, and desserts.

*A motion was made by Kaminski, seconded by Olson, to adopt Resolution No. 2015-27 approving issuance of liquor licenses for Anthony Ostlund doing business as Primo Plates and Pours, LLC, with contingencies. Ayes: all.*

### **Review of Work Session Discuss Regarding CSAH 112 Improvement Project**

Mayor Chillstrom stated that in the work session prior to the regular meeting, the Council had a positive discussion with Hennepin County and CSAH 112 project design representatives regarding moving the trail segment on the east end of town to a position on the north side of the road alongside the lake. During Council discussion, it was noted that the County will need a decision from the Council regarding added expense for moving the trail in August.

Brad Erickson, along with other audience members, continued to express significant concern about the CSAH 112 project overall and its potential impact to the business community; and questioned the expense of additional dollars for relocating the trail.

Mayor and Council members clarified a few key points during the discussion:

- The purpose of relocating the trail to the north side of the roadway is that in addition to taking advantage of Long Lake as an amenity, it appears that the movement of the trail would allow more room for one lane of traffic on Wayzata Boulevard to remain open during project construction.
- There has been significant concern expressed that the project proposes to assess businesses for the improvements. The CSAH 112 project itself would not result in assessments to businesses; however, if the City were to complete any of its own street improvements or utility infrastructure replacements during the CSAH 112 project, properties benefiting specifically from the City project could be assessed. Again, any assessments would be specific to a City project only.
- Tonight's work session discussion was focused on the trail relocation option. There will be additional open house and other meetings held, and there are a lot of project details that are yet unknown. Council and staff recognize the emotional importance of this Hennepin County project.
- Council member Schneider and Administrator Weske will be attending a meeting with Hennepin County regarding grant opportunities and possible economic assistance that may be available to businesses.
- The Council will continue to focus their collective efforts in trying to make Hennepin County road project decisions work in the City of Long Lake's favor.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Think Before You Flush** – Mayor Chillstrom asked that residents refrain from flushing youth and adult diapers down their toilets, as they clog sewer equipment and create significant problems in the City's lift stations.

**Sign Obstruction** – Council member Kaminski noted that the 35mph speed limit sign on Wayzata Boulevard W near Martha Lane is a little obstructed by brush currently. Public Works Director Wurzer responded that it would be taken care of.

**MCWD Policy Advisory Committee** – Council member Schneider stated that the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) had a policy advisory committee that Council members are welcome to attend. Part of the committee's role is to review proposed projects and monitor existing projects, such as the recent sewer treatment pond rehabilitation project the MCWD completed in

part. Council member Schneider sought and received the Council's support for his regular attendance at the committee's meetings.

**City Events** – Council member Schneider noted that the recent edition of 'The Pioneer' newspaper featured the City Wide Garage Sales event on their front page, and recognized City Clerk Moeller for her involvement in continuing the event. Also, he reported that lakeshore owners had unofficially held a fun "boat parade" out on the lake during July 4 festivities. Council members hoped to see the boat parade continue in future years.

**Goose Control** – Mayor Chillstrom stated that the goose population has been very active in Nelson Lakeside Park this year, and asked whether any solutions might be implemented yet this season. Wurzer indicated that the Migrate product tried previously was largely ineffective. He spoke with Tom O'Keefe at the MnDNR regarding goose management. The City has not contracted for goose control and removal since 2009, and although it is too late to schedule it for this year, goose control and removal could be budgeted for next year's summer season. Mayor Chillstrom encouraged exploring other goose control measures for this year if possible.

**Pioneer Newspaper Changes** – Mayor Chillstrom commended the new editors and staff at 'The Pioneer' newspaper for recent changes they've made, and noted he has seen a big improvement in Long Lake news coverage of late.

**Trash Dive** – Council members and staff discussed pursuing the "trash dive" for cleanup in Long Lake to take place before the end of summer.

**Beach Update** – Moeller reported that recent Hennepin County water testing results of the Nelson Lakeside Park swim beach area did return one high result; however, the average of all three samples taken continued to be well below EPA acceptable bacteria guidelines, and the beach will remain open at this time.

#### **ADJOURN**

*Hearing no objection, Mayor Chillstrom adjourned the meeting by general consent at 7:37 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Moeller  
City Clerk