



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 17, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm.

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

Staff Present: City Administrator: Scott Weske; Public Works Director: Marv Wurzer; Fire Chief: James Van Eyll; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LONG LAKE NEWS UPDATE

Mayor Hultmann offered the following updates:

- The Long Lake Assisted Living expansion project continues to move along, despite wet conditions.
- Mayor Hultmann thanked the individuals who worked diligently to plan SummerFest 2014, along with the many event sponsors who helped make the event happen. The event organizers may be rescheduling the fireworks display and live musical entertainment to take place on a date later in the season.

Lastly, Mayor Hultmann reminded everyone to please shop local and support local businesses as often as possible. He noted that Long Lake True Value is offering specials on garden supplies sold out of the hoop house structure.

APPROVE AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of:

- A. Approve Minutes of June 3, 2014 City Council Work Session
- B. Approve Minutes of June 3, 2014 City Council Meeting
- C. Approve Vendor Claims and Payroll
- D. Accept Proposed Contract for 2015 Assessment Services from Southwest Assessing
- E. Accept the Resignation of Firefighter Justin Mueller from the Long Lake Fire Department
- F. Accept the Resignation of Firefighter Phil Fossen from the Long Lake Fire Department
- G. Adopt Resolution No. 2014-15 Appointing Jane Davidson to the Position of Park Board Member
- H. Receive Unofficial Draft Minutes of June 10, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting

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

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

Adam Bestler, 345 Russell Lane – Mr. Bestler asked that Council and staff review the drainage plan previously approved for recent home construction taking place on Lindawood Lane, and discussed the water runoff issues he's been experiencing at his property. He noted that if drainage measures have been constructed to the plan as approved, perhaps the plan needs further revision to address the excessive runoff and standing water that is occurring.

Dan MacDonald, 335 Russell Lane – Mr. MacDonald added his concerns regarding the drainage issues resulting from recent construction on Lindawood Lane, noting that the additional impervious surfaces have completely changed the way the water flows in their neighborhood. He asked that the drainage problems be considered for corrective measures.

Jay Fogelson, 230 Upper Lea Lane – Mr. Fogelson expressed his concern about the slow-no wake zone restriction on Long Lake being enforced when the lake level is at or above 945.0 feet, discussed his understanding of the history of the lake's water level, and requested the Council consider raising the elevation for the slow-no wake restriction.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Accept Donation of CenterPoint Energy Grant for Purchase of Gas Monitor

Fire Chief Van Eyll indicated that eleven years ago, CenterPoint Energy started the Community Partnership Grant Program. This year the Long Lake Fire Department applied for \$1,500 for two new 4-gas monitors. The Department had a monitor fail towards the beginning of the year that would need to be replaced. An additional monitor would be advantageous to have in one of the Department's Command vehicles, but due to budget constraints it could not have been purchased. With the help of the grant, both units can now be purchased this year.

Doug Jepsen, technician with CenterPoint Energy, discussed the history of the Community Partnership Grant Program and presented Fire Chief Van Eyll with the grant check awarded to the Long Lake Fire Department.

Fire Chief Van Eyll responded to Council member questions regarding the gas monitors and gases the equipment detects.

A motion was made by Kaminski, seconded by Skjaret, to adopt Resolution No. 2014-14 accepting the donation of \$750.00 to the Long Lake Fire Department from CenterPoint Energy. Ayes: all.

Replacement of Hardin Park Tennis Courts and Addition of Pickleball Striping

Wurzer stated that the Hardin Park tennis courts were constructed in 1979. The courts are used by area residents, local clubs, instructors and by the Orono school system; and have received regular cleaning and an occasional surface treatment to keep them in a playable condition. After 35 years of Minnesota weather the asphalt surface of the courts has deteriorated and developed stress cracks which grow wider with each season. The courts will soon be considered a hazard to play on. Crack filling and surface treatments are no longer an effective maintenance option, and tennis court professionals are unanimous in their recommendation to replace rather than repair the courts.

The Park Board met in May and recommended that the City Council consider replacing the tennis courts at their current location. The Board also recommended replacing the asphalt area currently

used for basketball. The Board asked the Council to consider having pickleball courts added to the Hardin Park tennis court or basketball play area and to consider having pickleball courts available in other parks.

At the June 3, 2014 work session the City Council considered the Park Board recommendation and reviewed recent quotes for tennis court replacement. Staff was asked to investigate the cost of a longer warranty and striping of pickleball courts at various locations.

The apparent low bidder, Upper Midwest Athletic Construction, advised staff that no one in the industry will warranty an asphalt surface against cracking due to the extreme Minnesota weather changes. The owner did however agree to a 2 year warranty on the Color Coat System rather than the standard 1 year warranty. Again referencing Minnesota winters he advised that additional warranty costs would rival the cost of replacement.

The quote from Upper Midwest Athletic Construction of Anoka, Minnesota appears to include everything necessary to provide a high quality and complete tennis court and basketball area. References have been contacted and reports are that the company is efficient and does quality work. Staff is recommending the Long Lake City Council approve the Hardin Park Tennis Court Project, with the option of adding pickleball courts at Hardin Park, Holbrook Park and Dexter Park.

Administrator Weske noted that funding sources are available for completion of this project.

Council members discussed the pickleball court striping proposed for the tennis court and in other city parks; and possible other park and trail enhancements that could be made while "sprucing up" park facilities including installation of new water fountains, benches, or potentially adding dog watering fountains in locations.

A motion was made by Chillstrom, seconded by Kaminski, to accept the quote from Upper Midwest Athletic Construction of Anoka, Minnesota for the complete removal and replacement of the existing tennis courts and basketball area at Hardin Park and pickleball striping at Hardin Park and/or other parks, in an amount not to exceed \$74,000.00. Ayes: all.

OTHER BUSINESS

Slow-No Wake Ordinance – Council member Chillstrom indicated that the Council is well aware of lake water levels and concerns about the slow-no wake restriction set at 945.0 feet. The Council is asking people to respect the lake and the ordinance while it is in place this first year, and the Council will be reevaluating whether changes are warranted at a later date.

Wayzata Boulevard Landscaping – Mayor Hultmann asked that staff obtain estimates for mowing and pruning the landscaping installed in the berm along Wayzata Boulevard.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Kaminski, seconded by Skjaret, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: all. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Moeller
City Clerk