

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

September 15, 2014

Present: Joanne Johnson
Dustin Goutermont
Carlene Perfetto

David Gustafson – excused

Lana Fralich, City Administrator
Pete Morris, City Attorney
Bill Mittlefeldt, Greenstep Cities
Ken Vogel, Lake County News Chronicle
Kitty Mayo, North Shore Journal
Dave Johnson, Jack Swanson

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda – Billboard Lease was removed from new business. Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda – Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2014 budget workshop and regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Petitions, Requests and Communications

Letter from James Blomberg – The Council reviewed a letter from Blomberg proposing a change to City Code Chapter 6, Animals, and a proposed response letter. There was discussion about the project to revise the City Code and this proposal would be reviewed at that time. Motion by Perfetto, second Goutermont to approve a letter to be sent to James Blomberg, in response to his letter. MOTION CARRIED.

Lake County Helispot – The Council reviewed a letter from County Emergency Management requesting approval to land a medical helicopter at the business park, when needed. It was noted that the Public Works Dept. would need to keep an area plowed of snow. There was discussion about the site, insurance issues, snowplowing issues, and also using the airport for medical helicopters. This issue was tabled.

Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee – There was discussion about this project, the steering committee, the need for representation from City residents on the committee and the make-up of the committee including the participation of the Council. It was noted that the Mayor will represent the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Public Presentation, Greenstep Cities – Mittlefeldt reviewed Greenstep Cities and the recent award the City was presented. There was further discussion on the innovation leadership of the City and how it has impacted neighboring communities and other communities statewide.

City Administrator

Resolution 2014-29 – There was discussion about the budget workshops, projects and purchases proposed for 2015 which included moving forward with a fifth officer within the police department, and the total expenditure budget of \$7,947,295. Motion by Perfetto, second by Goutermont to adopt Resolution 2014-29, Proposed Fiscal Year 2015 Budget.

Member Perfetto – aye
Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
Member Gustafson – absent

RESOLUTION 2014-29 WAS ADOPTED. 3 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

The Council thanked the Administrator and Department Heads for their work on the budget.

Resolution 2014-30 – The Council reviewed the proposed levy, which totals \$1,176,680 and is a 2% increased over the previous year. Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to adopt Resolution 2014-30, the Proposed 2014 collectible 2015 Tax Levy.

Member Perfetto – aye
Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
Member Gustafson – absent

RESOLUTION 2014-30 WAS ADOPTED. 3 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Marina Rates – The Council reviewed the 2015 Marina Slip rates that are recommended by the Parks and Recreation Board. It was noted that these include a monthly boat on trailer storage, an empty trailer storage fee and a \$25 application processing fee which was formerly a waiting list fee, and that the DNR has reviewed these fees. Motion by Perfetto, second Goutermont to approve the 2015 Marina fee schedule.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mike Guzzo Recognition – The Council reviewed an award given to Guzzo from the Minnesota Ice Arena Managers Association for 30 years as arena manager, and the Council thanked Guzzo for his many years of service to the City.

Resolution 2014-31, Grant Submission, Lloyd K Johnson Foundation – The EDA recommends submission of this \$20,000 grant for the comprehensive planning project. Motion by Perfetto, second Goutermont to adopt Resolution 2014-31, authorizing to make application to and accept funds from the Lloyd K. Johnson Foundation for the Citywide Comprehensive and Capital Planning Project.

Member Perfetto – aye
Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
Member Gustafson – absent

RESOLUTION 2014-31 WAS ADOPTED. 3 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

City Attorney

Resolution 2014-32, City Code Amendment, Parking – The Council reviewed City Code Chapter 10, and a memo from the attorney regarding amending Code 1000.05 as it pertains to off-street parking, oversized vehicle parking, and recreational vehicles and

trailer parking. It was noted that the Safety Committee and Public Works Commission recommended these amendments. The Council reviewed the discussion from the June 16 meeting. There was discussion about boulevard parking, placing personal property on the boulevard, and it was noted that the Code allows for temporary placement of garbage and recycling receptacles on the boulevard. Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to amend the amendment to Code 1000.05, Subd. 3 to make reference to the Code provision to allow for temporary placement of garbage and recycling receptacles on the boulevard. MOTION CARRIED. There was further discussion about vehicles and personal property on boulevards, safety concerns regarding oversized and recreational vehicles and trailers. There was also discussion about enforcement issues, and whether or not the Code needs to be amended. Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to adopt Resolution 2014-32, approving an amendment to City Code Chapter 10, Traffic and Vehicles, Section 1000.05, Parking, by amending Subd. 3 Off-Street, by amending Subd. 10, Oversized Vehicles, and by adding Subd. 11, Recreational Vehicles and Trailer Parking

Member Perfetto – nay
Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
Member Gustafson – absent

RESOLUTION 2014-32 WAS ADOPTED. 2 aye, 1 nay, 1 absent

OLD BUSINESS – No old business was presented.

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Claims – Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to approve payment of \$32,660.70 paid claims and \$41,352.62 in unpaid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lance K Beachem

Joanne Johnson, Mayor

Lana Fralich, City Administrator