

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
ST. AUGUSTA, MINNESOTA
June 7, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kroll at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Kroll; Council Members Diehl, Schulzetenberg, Reinert and Zenzen Attorney Couri; Engineer Halter; Engineer Ryan, Building Inspector Hagman; Clerk/Administrator McCabe; Fire Department Chief Tabatt, Assistant Fire Chief Orth, Lieutenant Rob Claseman, Street Department Employee Mark Kiffmeyer and Water/Sewer Operator Chad Blashack.

OTHERS PRESENT: Harold Pherigo, Julie Nistler, Jim Nistler, Tim Streit, Doug Schmitt, Brad Paul, Joe Harren, Adam Segler, Ken Schwagel, Troy Hilsgen, Terri Jochim, Roger Jochim, Keith Markwardt, David Werschay and Rick Taufen.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. McCabe stated items number 10 and 11 have been withdrawn, he included the letter in the updated packets. He also indicated that item number 12, the hearing was continued so there is no information for that item. He has replaced that item with a new number 12, an interim ordinance and resolution dealing with outdoor storage containers. Mayor Kroll stated we would move item 15 to open forum.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda items 3A – 3I, by Mr. Reinert, second by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items were approved with the consent agenda:

- City Council Minutes, May 3, 2016.
- City Council Agenda, June 7, 2016.
- Bill Payable, Receipts and Treasurer's Report dated June 7, 2016 and for Checks #18812 -18946.
- City Council Minutes, May 6, 2016.
- City Council Board of Review Meeting Minutes, May 6, 2016.
- Gambling Premise Permit, St. Augusta Relief Association at Club Almar.
- Resolution #2016-07, Appointing Election Judges
- Appoint Ron Kraemer to Planning Commission
- Appoint Colleen Lommel to Park Board

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Lt. Weiss indicated 41 contract hours were spent within the City during May and 12 citations issued. He reviewed contract and call types and answered questions from the Council.

A motion was made to approve the Sheriff's report as presented by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Tabatt indicated they were having issues with people in attendance at the ball field parking behind the fire hall. Lt. Weiss indicated they will have additional patrol and suggested we put extra signage where they shouldn't park.

Mr. McCabe stated he had two items to visit with Lt. Weiss on and indicated he would email those on June 8.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Hagman was in attendance to present the May building inspector's report. He indicated thirteen permits were issued during the month, including three single family dwellings, bringing the total new homes to 10 for the year. He reviewed valuations and answered questions from the Council.

A motion was made to approve the building inspector's report as presented by Mr. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Chief Tabatt was in attendance and presented the April 2016 run report, indicating we are up to 26 calls for the year as of the end of April. He reviewed the calls and discussed the internal training that was done.

Chief Tabatt stated the promotion committee is recommending Shawn Steinhofner be promoted from Lieutenant to Captain .

A motion was made to promote Shawn Steinhoffer from Lieutenant to Captain by Mayor Kroll, seconded by Ms. Schulzetenberg. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kroll reported on the progress of the repairs for the grass truck which started on fire when it was stuck in a field on a fire call. He stated it would be a couple more days before it is ready to be put back into service.

Lt. Claseman indicated he would like to bring a safety trailer from Conexus Energy for National Night Out. It would cost approximately \$425.

A motion was made to bring the trailer in, utilizing donation money, by Mayor Kroll seconded by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC WORKS
REPORTS:**

Mr. Blashack was in attendance and reported on the lift station pump maintenance reports. Quotes for repairs were included in the packets and Mr. Blashack suggested we only repair pump 2 at the main lift station for an amount of \$3,002.50.

A motion was made to approve the expenditure in an amount of \$4,521 by Mr. Zenzen, seconded by Ms. Schulzetenberg.

Mr. Blashack suggested he was currently working on flushing hydrants.

Mr. Kiffmeyer stated he was starting to work on mowing ditches.

OPEN FORUM:

Dave Werschay, Werschay Homes, was in attendance to discuss the galvanized roof on a shed for a home in Eagles Landing. Galvanized roofs are not allowable per our zoning ordinance. Mr. Werschay explained the process that went into building the shed and wondered why this provision was in the ordinance. He stated he looked into his options and nothing seemed feasible financially. He explained the product will dull in the future.

Mr. McCabe explained the ordinance specifically prohibits galvanized material and suggested he apply for an amendment to the zoning ordinance. There was discussion on galvalum versus galvanized and Mr. McCabe and Mr. Werschay will meet to discuss.

Keith Markwardt and Troy Hilsgen were in attendance to discuss the proposed hog farm operation just north of Kimball and south of St. Augusta. Mr. Markwardt and Mr. Hilsgen are a part of the Kimball Clean Water Group. They explained the potential hog farm can have an impact on the ground water quality in the area, specifically where we have our future city well site. They stated the hog farm permit has been withdrawn, but we potentially need to look into wellhead protection.

**PUBLIC HEARING
VACATE
237TH STREET:**

Mayor Kroll opened the public hearing at 7:50pm. Mr. McCabe reported we are here because of the condition of the road and we would like input from the community and neighborhood in specific. Neighbors stated they like the convenience of the road. Mr. Halter estimated the cost of reclaiming the road at about \$30,000. The

consensus was there is a bunch of walking and biking on the road. Consensus was to look into repairing the road.

**INTERIM ORDINANCE
#2016-02 AND RESOLUTION**

#2016-08: Mr. Couri explained we can only restrict this temporarily for up to a year. He also explained this is about the outdoor storage containers/pods, but not sheds. Ms. Schulzetenberg wants something written in for temporary usage. A question was brought up about construction trailers. Mr. Couri stated he could add something in about the temporary use. There was added discussion on using these for “tiny homes”. Mr. Couri

A motion was made to approve Resolution #2016-08, establishing the moratorium and adopting the ordinance, as amended by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Mr. Diehl. Motion carried unanimously.

MS4/STORMWATER

UTILITY DISCUSSION: April Ryan was in attendance to go over two items, stormwater utility and the MS4 permit. She started with a power point presentation on stormwater utilities. She discussed all aspects of what she was proposing in draft ordinances and policies, explaining she will utilize this information for public information meetings prior to our finalizing our ordinance. Ms. Ryan also presented a power point explaining our MS4 permit designation and required programming. She went over the 6 control measures required in the MS4 permit and program. A workshop meeting is scheduled for July 18 prior to public information going out in the summer newsletter for a public meeting to be held in August. Mr. Couri suggested we do a timeline of when things need to be finalized.

**ENGINEER’S
REPORT:**

Mr. Halter reported he received the soil boring reports and all the borings indicate the roads checked are good candidates for a reclaim and overlay. He estimates about \$330,000 for Galaxy Road and 200th Street, based on costs for the last couple of projects.

Mr. Halter was instructed to put the project out to bid and to include 237th Street.

A motion was made to advertise for bids on 200th Street, Galaxy Road and 237th Street by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Ms. Schulzetenberg. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kroll asked about the SRTS project and wondered why there was work done on the sidewalk.

**SEAL COATING
BIDS:**

Mr. McCabe presented the seal coating bids and explained the Country Square portion was left off the bids. He stated the cost after including

in those quantities and the cost of the aggregate would be \$56,391.65 which is less than we budgeted at \$60,000.

A motion was made by Ms. Schulzetenberg to approve the seal coating bid, seconded by Mr. Reinert. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL MEMBER
PURVIEW:**

Mr. Reinert wondered about annual reviews and suggested we do them again.

Mr. Diehl agreed about the workshop meeting.

Mr. Diehl wondered about insurance on the grass rig fire and was told it was turned in and an adjuster is working on the claim.

Ms. Schulzetenberg asked for additional pricing models on the stormwater utility and would like to see different pricing structure on different sized residential homes.

Ms. Schulzetenberg wondered about the junk yard on County Road 115 and Mr. Couri explained he probably is grandfathered in as he has been running that business prior to our zoning ordinance. Mr. Couri suggested we visit with the property owner and see if we can work something out.

Ms. Schulzetenberg wondered about tents at the park and was told we are no longer allowing them but a couple were reserved for weddings last year prior to our policy change.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR
REPORT:**

Mr. McCabe presented a dust control quote and said it is slightly more than in years past. He also indicated a private road has inquired about being a part of our contract and paying us directly.

A motion was made to approve the dust control quote by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McCabe wondered if we wanted to revisit the parking along 245th Street. He indicated we discussed previously but decided to wait until after the Safe Routes to School project was completed.

A motion was made to put no parking between signs along the south side of 245th Street between County Road 7 and a point somewhere east of that as determined by the Mayor by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Mr. Diehl. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McCabe wondered if we want to consider installing a street light at the driveway of the Fire Hall on 43rd Avenue. He suggested it is a safety issue and would help with utilizing the field by the ball park as overflow parking when events are scheduled at the Hidden Lake Park Shelter. Mr. Reinert suggested the park board needs to explore additional walking routes from the potential overflow parking to the Hidden Lake Park Shelter.

A motion was made to install a streetlight by Mayor Kroll, seconded by Mr. Zenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McCabe presented the state demographers population estimate and indicated he didn't believe it was worth appealing.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made to adjourn at 10:15 pm by Mr. Reinert seconded by Mr. Diehl. Meeting Adjourned.

Approved this _____ day of July, 2016.

BJ Kroll, Mayor

Attest:

William R. McCabe, Clerk/Administrator