

City of Madison Lake
City Council Minutes
Monday, April 15, 2013

Call to Order

Mayor Reichel called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor Ken Reichel, Chuck Ries, Kent Hoehn, John Howard and Carolyn Hiniker

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Kelly Steele, Deputy Clerk AmberRose Brudelic, and City Engineer Chris Larson.

Others Present: Daryle and Matt Pomranke of 3121 River Meadows Drive, Mankato.

Consent Agenda

3A) Approval of Agenda

A motion by Ries, seconded by Howard, to approve the agenda with the addition of 9D) Cherry Avenue.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, Howard, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Motion carried.

3B) Accepting of Minutes from Regular Meeting of April 1, 2013

A motion by Ries, seconded by Hiniker, to accept the minutes from the April 1, 2013 regular meeting changing the roll call of item 6A) to read "Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker and Hoehn".

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Abstained: Howard

Motion carried.

3C) Approval of Vendor Claims Totaling \$49,785.59.

- Council discussed the Abdo, Eick & Meyers invoice.

A motion by Howard, seconded by Hiniker, to approve vendor claims in the amount of \$49,785.59.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, Howard, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Open Public Comments

4) Matt Pomranke for 508 5th Street, Madison Lake

- Matt Pomranke asked Council to reduce his sewer bill as there was a frozen pipe that leaked water into his basement. The basement has dirt floor so the water did not go down a drain.
- Ms. Brudelic stated that in the past we have adjusted the sewer portion of the bills to 110% of the average usage for similar situations.

- The adjustment to Mr. Pomranke's account would be approximately \$558.00 which would leave a balance due of approximately \$859.62.

A motion by Ries, seconded by Hiniker, to abate \$558.00 from Mr. Pomranke's bill providing the balance is paid in two equal payments with the second payment being made before the end of May.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, Howard, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Appearances and Presentations

Ordinances and Resolutions

6A) Resolution #2013-576 Decertifying TIF District No. 2-8

- Ms. Steele stated that this TIF District is for the bait shop and there has been no activity in the district.
- Ed Tschida and Adbo, Eick & Meyers stated that the district should be decertified since there have been no improvements made.
- Council discussed the history of the TIF District.

A motion by Ries, seconded by Hoehn to approve Resolution #2013-576 Decertifying TIF District No. 2-8.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, Howard, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Reports of Staff, Officers, Boards, and Committees

Unfinished Business

8A) Annexation

- Ms. Steele stated that the orderly annexation agreement needs to be approved.
- Brad Potter made the changes that were discussed at the last Council meeting.

A motion by Ries, seconded by Howard, to approve the orderly annexation agreement.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, Howard, and Hoehn

Nays: None

Motion carried.

New Business

9A) Washington Township Fire Contract

- Council discussed the history of the township fire contracts.
- Mr. Ries stated that Washington Township is going to revisit the contract at their next meeting in May.
- The Washington Township is now at 11% instead of 13% of the market value.
- Due to the change in the percentages there will be \$2,400.00 per year that the City will need to absorb as the other contracts have already been signed.
- The City budgeted for 39% of the Fire Department's budget for this year.
- Council is okay with the present contract adjusted for the correct percentages and the City absorbing the \$2,400.00 annually.
- Council directed Ms. Steele to contact Washington Township to discuss the fire contract change.

9B) First Quarter 2013 Budget Review

- The Consultant line item in the Council budget was discussed.
- Council discussed the annexation bills that will be incurred in the future.
- Employee overtime was discussed.

9C) Main Street Financing

- Ms. Steele stated that Shannon Sweeney prepared a preliminary bond schedule for Council to look at.
- Mr. Larson stated that property acquisition along Cherry Avenue is delaying the project.
- Ms. Steele stated that if the Council chooses option B for the assessments, our levy will need to be increased by approximately five percent to cover the City's portion of the Main Street project.
- Council discussed using reserve funds for a portion of the City's cost.
- Council discussed the Fourth Street and Fifth Street project.
- Splitting the cost of the equally between assessments, levy, and reserve funds was discussed.
- Council directed Ms. Steele to talk to Shannon Sweeney about different funding scenarios.
- Council directed Mr. Larson to provide Ms. Steele an estimate for the Fourth and Fifth Street project.

9D) Cherry Avenue

- Ms. Steele stated that Corey Domas contacted her regarding paving Cherry Avenue.
- Council discussed who the property owners along Cherry Avenue are.
- Ms. Steele stated that she mailed the reconstruction petition to Mr. Domas.
- Council discussed the assessment policy.
- Mr. Larson stated that we may be able to get a better price on this project if it is attached to the Main Street project.

Adjournment

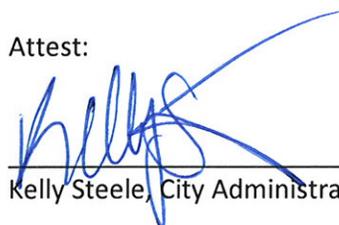
A motion by Ries, seconded by Howard, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes: Reichel, Ries, Hiniker, and Hoehn
Nays: None
Motion carried.



Ken Reichel, Mayor

Attest:



Kelly Steele, City Administrator-Clerk