

MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

January 17, 2006 - Minutes

The Maple Lake City Council was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Messina in the Council Chambers of the City of Maple Lake.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dircks, Messina, Mooney, and Northenscold.

ABSENT: Kelly.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Rhonda Pagel, City Engineer Jeremy Mathiasen, Economic Developer John Meyer and City Clerk/Treasurer Linda Hruby.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made/seconded/passed, (m/s/p), Dircks/Mooney, to approve the agenda with the following additions to New Business: f. Bobick TIF Assistance and g. Keith Jerpseth – Irish Stadium.

Consent Agenda

A motion was m/s/p, Northenscold/Dircks, to approve the Consent Agenda including Approval of the January 3, 2006 Minutes; Approval of Disbursement List #06-02 and #LS01-17-06; Approval of Application for Exempt Permit – Gambling Premises for the Church of St. Timothy on April 8, 2006 at the Maple Lake VFW Post 7664; Approval for City Council to Attend Leadership Conference for Experienced Officials on February 17-18 in Bloomington; Approval to set Board of Review on April 18, 2006 at 6:30 p.m., with Council Meeting to follow; Approval of Well No. 4 Pumping Facility – Contractor’s Request for Payment No. 3, per Engineer’s Recommendation; Approval of Geneva Road Project – Contractor’s Request for Payment No. 4, per Engineer’s Recommendation; Approval for Happy Knoll Estates 2nd Addition’s Request for Letter of Credit Reduction; and Receipt of Water Tower Inspection Report.

New Business

Annandale Heartland Express Donation Request

Messina reported that the City received the annual donation request from Annandale Heartland Express for \$2,500. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Mooney, authorizing the donation of \$2,500 to Annandale Heartland Express.

Cokato Transportation – Drug and Alcohol Testing Agreement

Hruby reported that the City received a new Drug and Alcohol Testing Agreement from Cokato Transportation. The city has had an agreement with Cokato Transportation since 1996. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Northenscold, to approve the Cokato Transportation – Drug and Alcohol Testing Agreement and to authorize the City Clerk to sign said agreement.

Grading Certificate - Landscape/Driveway Deposit Policy

Pagel reported the grading certificate - landscape/driveway deposit policy was discussed at the consultant’s meeting. It was the consensus of the consultants that the deposit be collected when a building permit is issued instead of before issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy. This request was made by various builders. The deposit would be returned when all work has been completed. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, to adopt **Resolution #R2006-02**, revising the policy

requiring the grading certificate deposit be collected at the time of the issuance of a building permit instead of the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy. All present voted aye. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Mooney, to adopt **Resolution #R2006-03**, revising the policy requiring the landscape/driveway deposit be collected at the time of the issuance of a building permit instead of the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy. All present voted aye

Development Policy

Pagel reported this issue was discussed at the consultant's meeting. This issue was tabled until the next meeting.

Sewer Testing Reimbursement Policy

Pagel reported the sewer testing reimbursement policy was discussed at the consultant's meeting. It was the consensus of the consultants that any user who fails the test should be responsible for paying for the testing. The Council had a lengthy discussion as follows: City pay for first test; user pay for first test, if test fails; user paying for subsequent tests after failure; number of subsequent tests required (2-5 based on level of violation); and applying fines or penalties for non-compliance to city ordinance. Mathiasen stated that the test the City already conducted was more expensive because testing was conducted for a week, however subsequent tests may be for shorter periods. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Mooney, to adopt **Resolution #R2006-04**, testing specific users at the discretion of the City; the City will pay for the first test if the user passes the test; any failed test will be paid for by the user and the user would be required to pay for an additional 2-5 passing tests, based on the level on non-compliance. All present voted aye.

Trail Extension – School to City Beach

Meyer reported that the trail extension application from the school to the city beach ranked #1.

Bobick TIF Assistance

Meyer stated that Bobick Properties, LLC (Northstar Granite) requested TIF assistance. Meyer reported that the City has a developers agreement and based upon calculations of plans, the total market value is \$711,000. A motion was m/s/p, Northenscold/Dircks, to offer Bobick Properties, LLC TIF assistance with a project budget of \$54,000, with \$42,000 going to Bobick Properties, LLC.

Keith Jerpseth – Irish Stadium

Jerpseth, representing the Maple Lake Lakers, was present with estimated costs for improvements at Irish Stadium as follows: Replacement of 4-6 light bulbs - \$1,875; Clean/maintenance lights – unable to obtain accurate estimate at this time; Replace signs - \$6,255; Increased security – \$1,080; and Replace batting cage net - \$1,000. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding prioritizing of improvements, maintenance costs, generating revenue through sign advertising at the park, and forming a committee to assess park on an annual basis. Jerpseth stated that replacement of the light bulbs is the first priority. Messina stated that the above improvements would need to be a two-year project. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Mooney, authorizing the replacement of the light bulbs, ascertaining the cost involved, and then proceeding with the next priority, based on expended costs.

Old Business/Directive Franchises

Nothing new to report.

City Hall

The next Building Committee meeting will be held on January 19, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at city hall.

A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Mooney, authorizing John Meyer to prepare a Capital Improvement Plan as it relates to financing for the new city hall and for staff to schedule a public hearing on February 7, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall.

A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, authorizing Lightowler, Johnson Associates to prepare final plans and specifications for the new city hall.

Meeting for Beach

Mooney reported that a meeting for the beach has been scheduled for January 25, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at city hall.

Administrative Issues

Hruby reported that the Personnel Committee will meet on February 3, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at city hall to review maintenance worker applications and any other personnel issues.

Adjournment

A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Mooney, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Attest,

City Clerk/Treasurer