

MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

March 6, 2007 – Minutes

The Maple Lake City Council was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Messina in the Council Chambers of the City of Maple Lake.

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

ABSENT: Geyen.

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

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made/seconded/passed, (m/s/p), Kelly/Dircks, to approve the agenda.

Consent Agenda

A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Northenscold, to approve the Consent Agenda including Approval of the February 20, 2007 Minutes and Approval of Disbursement List #07-05 and #LS03-06-07.

New Business

2007 Maple Lake Trail Improvement Project – Approve Plans and Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids

The Council received the Plans and Specifications for the 2007 Maple Lake Trail Improvement Project in their packet. A motion was m/s/p, Northenscold/Dircks, to adopt **Resolution #R2007-10**, approving the Plans and Specifications and authorizing the advertisement for bids for the 2007 Maple Lake Trail Improvement Project. All present voted aye.

Library Grant

Meyer reported that he has prepared an application for a Library Grant for the USDA in the amount of \$950,000. This is a community facilities program grant and \$850,000 will be used for construction and \$100,000 for equipment. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to adopt **Resolution #R2007-11**, authorizing Meyer to submit an application for a Library Grant to the USDA in the amount of \$950,000. All present voted aye.

Old Business/Directive

Franchises

Nothing new.

Recycling Day Issues

The Council reviewed amounts charged by neighboring communities and staff's recommendations. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Kelly, to approve the Recycling Day charges. A copy of these charges will be sent in the next bill to all residents and an ad will be placed on the government channel.

Trains – Quiet Zone

This issue was tabled until the next meeting when the city engineer will be present to address any concerns the Council may have.

Administrative Issues

The City received a memo from T Mobile yesterday regarding the re-negotiation of our lease. T

Mobile has requested that the City consider a new monthly rent of \$1,150.00, with an escalation frequency of 10% per term for 6 terms, 5 years each, with a rent guarantee period of 96 months and a new termination notice of 30 days. A lengthy discussion was held regarding this issue. The terms of the memo will expire at the close of 10 business days. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, directing staff to request an extension of time from T Mobile until the next Council meeting, giving staff time to research this issue. If an extension is not granted, a special Council meeting will be held prior to March 15, 2007.

Dircks complimented the Maintenance Department on the excellent job they did in regards to the recent snow storms.

Dircks also reported that Chamber of Commerce meeting is tomorrow at Madigan's at noon.

Please note the next Council meeting begins at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Attest,

City Clerk/Treasurer