

MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

April 18, 2006 - Minutes

The Maple Lake City Council was called to order at 6:50 p.m. immediately following the Board of Review by Mayor Messina in the Council Chambers of the City of Maple Lake.

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

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Rhonda Pagel, City Engineer Jeremy Mathiasen, Deputy City Clerk Lee Ann Yager.

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/Kelly, to approve the Consent Agenda including Approval of the April 4, 2006 Minutes, Approval of Disbursement List 06-08 and #LS 04/18/06, and Letters of Credit Reductions for Heritage Development for Paumen 2nd to \$25,000, Paumen 3rd/4th Addition to \$125,000, and Taylor Commons to \$50,000.

New Business

Planning Commission

Connie Schauf – Interim Use Permit

Connie Schauf has requested an interim use permit to operate a beauty salon in her home to be built at 1070 Forest City Blvd, PID#110-053-001140. She currently operates a salon in town. She will have no employees and has her existing clientele. A motion was m/s/p, Kelly/Mooney, to approve the Interim Use Permit for Connie Schauf to operate a beauty salon in her home to be located at 1070 Forest City Boulevard as recommended by the Planning Commission with the following conditions: 1) parking to be off-street only with a maximum of 3 cars; 2) signage allowed per the zoning ordinance; 3) waste provision as outlined in recommendation form; 4) noise provision as outlined in recommendation form; 5) annual State compliance review and initial license & inspection to be copied to the city; 6) limit to 1 work station; 7) hours of operation to be 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday; 8) Interim Use Permit to terminate upon applicant's sale of or move from the property.

Cedar Bay Business Park – Revision to Final Plat

Brian Durkop has submitted revisions to the final plat of Cedar Bay Business Park. The changes were as follows: 1) ownership will change from a deeded subdivision to a condominium; 2) recording of final plat not necessary as buildings must be in place to plat a condominium; 3) rotation of fire wall to meet fire code; 4) addition of a continuous frost footing; 5) exterior siding will change from EFIS to Hardiplank; 6) shingled roof per fire code/building inspector approval; 7) change construction from post frame to traditional stick frame because of footing change. A motion was m/s/p, Northenscold/Kelly, to approve the revision to the Final Plat of Cedar Bay Business Park per recommendation of the Planning Commission, as outlined in applicant's submittal along with all of the previous approval requirements of the original Final Plat, not inconsistent here with.

Chamberland 2nd Addition – Final Plat

This addition is the location of the proposed new city hall at the corner of Birch Avenue and Division Street. The platting of the property is to combine several smaller lots into one large lot, and to define easements. No variances will be needed. A discussion was held on the development process of a property. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to approve the final plat of Chamberland's 2nd Addition as submitted, based on recommendation of the Planning Commission, and based on recommendation of Planner's memo dated 4/10/06.

Continuation of Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Section 46, Off-Street Parking.

This item was been tabled until the next meeting until Planning Commission members can do some investigating of sites, and Pagel will get minimum stall lengths from other cities. The main reason for the change is for parking in the commercial area. The combination of stall length and aisle width should be considered. Our current aisle width is on the high side, so reducing the stall length shouldn't pose a problem. Pending building projects could be reviewed again if the ordinance does change.

Speed Signs

A discussion was held regarding the posted signs versus the trailer signs. The consensus was to have a trailer to allow moving it to different parts of the city. The cost is around \$5,000. Northenscold asked if the funds could come from gambling money. Mooney will check into this.

Maple Lake Messenger – Community Guide

Vicky Grimmer from the Messenger was present to discuss the Community Guide. She stated 5,000 guides are published, 4,000 are mailed out, and 1,000 are handed out free at local businesses. This guide is published once a year. The city has a full page ad and the liquor store has a small add. The cost of the ad will be \$565.00, a 5.5% increase from last year. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to advertise in the Community Guide for a price of \$565.00.

Establishment of Land Use Study Committee for Northwest Corner of Highway 55

A discussion was held at the consultants' meeting regarding establishing a committee to determine the best use of the block located at the northwest corner of Highway 55. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, recommending that the city move forward and appoint a Land Use Study Committee for the Northwest Corner of Highway 55 with the following committee members: John Meyer, Frank Sullivan or Dean Hoglund, John Northenscold, Charlene Ribaldo, Dean Johnson, and Lee Ann Yager.

Redevelopment Grant

The agreement has not been received.

Capital Improvement Bond Referendum for the Proposed City Hall

John Northenscold reported that the Building Committee had received a new scaled-down plan for city hall, reducing the size of the building from 7,265 to 6,475 square feet per floor. The original size was 9,548 square feet per floor. The consensus of the Committee was that it would be difficult to make the building any smaller, and may mean expanding to the second floor sooner than planned. Messina expressed concerns about educating the public on the need for a new building.

Northenscold stated there is a bill in the Senate to set uniform election dates that may be retroactive to January 1, 2006. Messina questioned if we could back out of the process. Pagel stated she would find out a deadline. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to adopt **Resolution #R2006-14**, to call for a special election to be held on June 20, 2006 with the following question on the ballot: "Shall the City of Maple Lake, Minnesota be authorized to issue capital improvement bonds in an amount not to

exceed One Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,350,000) to provide funds for the construction of a new City Hall?" All present voted aye.

**Old Business/Directive
Franchises**

Nothing new to report.

Administrative Issues

Pagel stated that the County has received feedback on nuisance ordinances and will begin prosecuting violators. Currently the city uses the abatement procedure which is a lengthy procedure. The City tour is scheduled for May 16, 2006. This procedure may be used with nuisance violations following the tour. Northenscold stated that the Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution which supports and encourages the enforcement of ordinances regarding debris, outside storage and unlicensed vehicles on commercial property.

Mooney stated that the Lions will be putting a bathroom at the beach.

Open Forum

Mike O'Loughlin questioned the amount of the reduction in the cost of the proposed city hall.

Adjournment

A motion was m/s/p, Kelly/Dircks/, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Attest,

Deputy City Clerk