

MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

June 22 2006 - Minutes

The Maple Lake City Council was called to order at 7:01 p.m. 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 and City Clerk/Treasurer Linda Hruby.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made/seconded/passed, (m/s/p), Kelly/Dircks, to approve the agenda with the following addition under New Business: d. Security Estimates – Irish Stadium.

Consent Agenda

A motion was m/s/p, Mooney/Northenscold, to approve the Consent Agenda including Approval of the June 6, 2006 Minutes, Approval of Disbursement List #06-12 and #LS06/22/06, Approval to Grant Application for Exempt Permit – Gambling Premises for the Church of St. Timothy on September 24, 2006; Approval of Well No. 4 - Contractor's Request for Payment #4, per Engineer's Recommendation; and Approval of February and March Financial Reports.

New Business

Planning Commission Report

Northenscold reported that the June 14 Planning Commission meeting had two agenda items, which were tabled until the July 12 meeting: Angelus Village Final Plat per request by applicant, and Daycare in I-1, Light Industry District to have staff acquire physical requirements mandated by the State on daycare requirements.

Angelus Village – Public Hearing for Re-Zoning Property at 7:00 p.m.

Pagel reported since Angelus Village tabled the Final Plat at the Planning Commission held on June 14, 2006, this Public Hearing should be referred to the Planning Commission and held on July 12, 2006.

Resolution – Canvass Special City Hall Election Results

A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Kelly, to adopt **Resolution #R2006-26**, declaring the results of the Special City Hall Election as follows: Yes-90, No-229, Blank-2, for a total vote of 321. All present voted aye.

Northenscold stated that he was disappointed with voter turnout, with only 1/3 of the registered voters voting to control (pass or defeat) something like this. Dircks reported people told her they didn't care which way it went, so they didn't vote. Messina stated that a lot of time and effort went into this project, stating that rumors and incorrect information and misinformed people had an adverse affect on the outcome. Messina stated we should use this as a learning tool to do a better job of communicating.

Security Estimates – Irish Stadium

Hruby reported that Sawatzke received a security estimate from Wright Hennepin of \$855 for 1 year monitoring of Irish Stadium. After the first year the cost would be \$19.95 a month and could be disconnected during the winter months, with a re-hookup charge of \$65.00. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Kelly, approving the security system from Wright Hennepin at a cost of \$855 for the first year, with a \$19.95 monthly charge thereafter and a re-hookup fee of \$65.00.

Old Business/Directive

Franchises

Pagel reported that she met with Lakedale Telephone today and requested a public hearing be held on July 18, 2006. A motion was m/s/p, Messina/Dircks, to hold a public hearing for the Lakedale Telephone Franchise on July 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

City Hall

A Building Committee meeting will be held on June 27, 2006, at 4:15 p.m. to review the city's options.

Hruby requested Council approval to purchase 3-5 file cabinets and authorization to move the server to the storage room/kitchen. A motion was m/s/p, Mooney/Kelly, approving the purchase of 3-5 file cabinets and moving the server to the storage room/kitchen. Hruby also stated that staff will re-arrange the layout of the main office due to the relocation of the server, which may involve some costs.

Administrative Issues

All City staff met with an insurance agent this week to obtain information regarding voluntary benefits, such as disability, cancer, accident, and critical illness insurance. These voluntary benefits would be at no cost to the city. Flexible spending accounts were also discussed. There is an enrollment fee and administration fee for this service, but the cost of those fees could possibly be offset because of the pretax basis thereby reducing the City's payroll costs. Messina stated that the insurance company is Colonial Insurance, which he is affiliated with, but a different agent is handling the insurance. Hruby requested Council approval to allow individual staff members to meet with the insurance agent to obtain additional information. A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, granting approval for staff to meet with the agent and obtain additional information. Messina abstained.

Hruby also stated that several members of the staff have deductions taken from their paychecks for dental insurance and is seeking Council approval retroactive to March for this deduction to be taken. A motion was m/s/p, Kelly/Dircks, approving payroll deductions for dental insurance, retroactive to March.

Adjournment

A motion was m/s/p, Dircks/Kelly, to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Attest,

City Clerk/Treasurer