

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, November 16, 2010

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT: Bob Craggs, Richard Glasgow, Peg Larsen, Bob Livingston, Brian Zeller
STAFF PRESENT: Jim Gilles, Tom Niedzwiecki, Amy Schmidt, Chris Wallberg
OTHERS PRESENT: Mitchell Elmer, Debi Erickson

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mayor Zeller at 7:00 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE** was said.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA** – (See also Agenda Item 8a below)

Glasgow requested Consent Agenda Item C pulled. Craggs requested Consent Agenda Item G pulled. **M/S/P (Craggs/Larsen) to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, D, E, F, and H. Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Motion passed.**

A. Minutes of the October 19, 2010 Regular City Council meeting

B. Treasurer's Report

D. Confirm that the December City Council meeting is changed from the regular third Tuesday to be held

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

E. Contract with SafeAssure for mandatory Staff safety training in the amount of \$1,350

F. Washington County Agreement for Subsurface Sewage Treatment System Inspection Services

H. Resolution to continue participation in the County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Consent Agenda Item C. Glasgow asked that they have more time to review the Bills to be Approved since just recently received. (See Agenda Item 8a)

Consent Agenda Item G. Craggs noted Beach Grant Contract worked on by Staff; facilitated by WMO; asked about survey stakes at beach. **M/S/P (Craggs/Livingston) to approve Consent Agenda Item**

G. Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Motion passed.

G. Beach Grant Contract

4. **LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Angie Hansen, Deputy Sheriff, reported many car versus deer; for the month of October, there were 103 incident reports, with 8 citations issued.

5. **PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL** - none

8. **ORDINANCE DEDICATING A PORTION OF 5TH STREET SOUTH TO BE RENAMED DEDICATION TO DAVE ERICKSON DRIVE**

Zeller reported on the Resolution regarding honorary street name designation for a portion of 5th Street South recommended by Washington County and the City Attorney. **M/S/P (Larsen/Zeller) to adopt Resolution 2010-27, a Resolution that 5th Street South in the City of Lakeland will also carry the honorary designation of Dave Erickson Drive and have in place auxiliary signs to indicate such honorary designation, all the while continuing to preserve the official name and street signs for 5th Street South. By roll call, Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Resolution 2010-27 adopted.** Debi Erickson was present and thanked the CC for this designation.

8. **CITY STAFF REPORTS**

Attorney

Noted this will be her last meeting, as she has a new position working for the City of Bloomington Attorney's Office; Nick Vivian will be replacing her and she will update on Personnel Committee issues.

City Clerk

City Council meeting for December rescheduled for the 2nd Tuesday, December 14, 2010; the Christmas/Holiday Party will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. and regular meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. to include Truth in Taxation as Public Hearing no longer required.

Engineer – no report

Public Works

Referred to memo of November 12, 2010 on Well One Repair; pump, column, and shafting inspected on November 8 and roughly 75% of column and shafting has pitting on both the inside and outside; savings of \$4,407.04 using 8" thick wall column instead of 10". **M/S/P (Larsen/Livingston) to approve repair costs for Well One Repair at a cost not to exceed \$35,000. Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Motion passed.**

Notified the CC that in 2012/2013 two sirens in the City need to be changed from FCC wide band to narrow band; County going for funding.

Treasurer

Continues to estimate breakeven; labor in Crocker Park improvement questioned charged to General Fund; 94.5 hours credited to Special Parks Fund (\$2,990) for November financials; grant opportunity with 100% match for playground equipment and "Bikes Belong" grant referred to; next meeting asked if they should prepare resolution for water rate increase effective with the January billing; \$.02/1,000 gal.; original plan was one time step up in 2011 in user/monthly fee; general operations built in \$.02 increase annually; last increase in 2008. Livingston confused; if we can possibly avoid it, he is not in favor of any rate increase. Zeller asked they prepare resolution for the December meeting, but would like to know increase to average bill, look at what that does for the Water Department, with additional supporting material. Niedzwiecki noted this could be deferred another year and will prepare information for the next meeting (Gilles will be absent).

8a. CONSENT AGENDA (refer to Agenda Item 3 above)

Agenda Item C. **M/S/P (Glasgow/Larsen) to approve Consent Agenda Item C. Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Motion passed.**

C. Bills to be Approved

9. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT/Craggs

Follow-up to discussion on cost at Crocker Park; completed items include new swings, rubber mats, etc.; looks great; work consistent with what they have been discussing; mentioned some other grant opportunities for other equipment. Zeller reminded that liaison would be needed for Parks Commission with Craggs' departure.

10. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT/Glasgow

Wanted to insure the December Party communicated as 'Christmas' party.

11. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT/Larsen – no additional report

12. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT/Livingston

Personnel Committee has had three formal meetings; pleased to report as of yesterday they completed that process; have very rough draft of what appears to be an up-to-date fully functional plan; goal to get formatting done in next couple of weeks and discuss in December; new personnel handbook would take effect in January/February; size double what old one was by 80%; will get draft circulated, sent to the Attorney's office and League of Minnesota Cities for review.

13. MAYOR'S REPORT

- CSAH 18 Landscaping meeting cancelled; need to reschedule landscaping issue and follow up on other items; potentially important budget item next year.
- Gateway Corridor continues to meet; set up two sub committees so many meetings scheduled.
- No MSCWMO this month - will meet next month
- There will be two vacancies for Planning Commission, one with Kevin Witt's departure, and one when Joe Paiement joins CC; consensus was made to have five member group and looking for recommendations seeking diversity.
- Campaigned at some residences and found people wanted to chat; wanted to remind residents that everyone is welcome to meetings; need for information to get out and suggested dividing the CC into groups to meet residents in various parts of the City; push to communicate electronically – and get the web site up and better (future planning).

14. ADJOURN – M/S/P (Glasgow/Larsen) to adjourn meeting at 7:40 p.m. Craggs, Glasgow, Larsen, Livingston, and Zeller voted aye. Meeting adjourned

Brian Zeller, Mayor

Kate Piscitello, Recording Secretary