

**Lake City Common Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2015 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers**

Members Present: Mayor Joel Beckman, Andru Peters, Mary Lou Waltman, Russell Boe, Randy Klipfel, Greg Schreck, Mark Spence

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Alan Lanning, City Attorney, City Clerk Kari Schreck, City Attorney Scott Riggs

Mayor Beckman called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the Council chambers of city hall with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Beckman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions

Introductions were made.

Review & adopt or amend the agenda as presented

Councilmember Waltman pulled consent agenda item 6 j submit to Chief Judge of the District Court name of certain individuals that the City Council is recommending to be reappointed to the Charter Commission for discussion.

Motion Peters second Waltman to amend the agenda. All ayes 7-0-0.

Recognition of out-going Board and Commission members- proclamation read aloud by the Mayor.

Public Forum

Bruce Carlson, Tom Rasmussen, Kathy Jo Rodester, Tom Dwelle, Tom Lundahl, Chris Gastner and John Hutchinson spoke in support of developing plans for optimal use of the city's waterfront areas and economic health of the downtown area of Lake City.

Conduct the public hearing on Charter Amendment Ordinance No. 546 and Ordinance No. 547, Introduce Ordinance Nos. 546 and 547 and conduct the first reading of both ordinances

The Charter Commission and the City Council have been working together on various amendments to the City Charter over the past year. Charter Amendment Ordinance No. 546 includes all of the amendments that the Charter Commission and the City Council have previously discussed with the exception of changing any provisions in the Charter that would relate to the Library Board or other boards and commissions. The Charter Commission is also proposing Charter Amendment Ordinance No. 547 that amends the Charter to add specific language concerning the powers and duties of the Library Board.

The Council is required by statute to hold a public hearing on the ordinances. Notices of the public hearing of both ordinances were published in the newspaper.

Motion Waltman, second Klipfel to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 546 and Ordinance No. 547. All ayes 7-0-0.

Conduct public hearing and take public comment.

Paul Myers stated that the Charter Commission has been working on the Ordinances for some time and he was there to hear any public comment.

No one else spoke at the public hearing.

Motion Waltman, second Klipfel to close the public hearing. All ayes 7-0-0.

Motion Peters, second Schreck to introduce Ordinance No. 546 and Ordinance No. 547 and to conduct the first reading of Ordinance No. 546 in summary form and Ordinance No. 547 in its entirety and to adopt Resolution No. 15-032 authorizing publication of Ordinance No. 546 by title and summary. All ayes 7-0-0.

The second reading and passage of the Ordinances will occur at a later meeting of the Council. The Ordinances will be enacted only if they each receive an affirmative vote of all members of the City Council. The Ordinances will also be published in accordance with the Charter's usual publication requirements (once after the first reading and again after the second reading).

If enacted, the Charter Amendment Ordinances will not become effective until 90 days after passage and publication.

The Mayor noted that the council waived the first reading.

Conduct a public hearing and adopt Resolution 15-026 authorizing the release certain easements on the Oak Street Senior Housing plat

The City received a request from Wildamere Capital Management formally requesting the City of Lake City to process the release of the Easements as part of Documents 279344, and the drainage and utility easement dedicated on the plat of Oak Street Senior Housing, on file and of record in the Goodhue County Recorder's office.

One easement from documents #279344 was part of the previous Frojd's Replat and is no longer needed by the City, since the recent re-platting of the property the City has retain any permanent utility easement applicable to this property.

The 10 by 30 foot section of easement shown along the northwesterly property line on Lot 1, Block 1, Oak Street Senior Housing plat, is where the proposed building connection goes through the recently dedicated drainage and utility easement.

Motion Waltman, second Peters to open the public hearing for the release certain easements on the Oak Street Senior Housing plat. All ayes 7-0-0.

Conduct public hearing and take public comment.

No one spoke at the public hearing

Motion Peters, second Spence to close the public hearing. All ayes 7-0-0.

Motion Klipfel, second Waltman to adopt Resolution 15-026 authorizing the release certain easements on the Oak Street Senior Housing plat. All ayes 7-0-0.

Conduct a public hearing and second reading of Ordinance 545, to vacate that part of Oak and Fourth Street (from the original plat of Central Point dated 1855) adjoining Lots 5 and 10 in Block 22, and that part of the alley separating and adjoining Lots 5 and 10 in Block 22

Adoption of this ordinance will vacate a portion of Fourth Street and Oak Street, and a portion of an alley in Block 22 that were part of a plat from 1855 (Central Point Map). This area was later re-platted as part of the Auditor's Subdivision of Central Point without vacating the rights-of-way from the original plat. The vacation will affect only property which is part of the petition to vacate.

Motion Peters , second Klipfel to open the public hearing on a petition vacating that part of Oak and Fourth Street (from the original plat of Central Point dated 1855) adjoining Lots 5 and 10 in Block 22, and that part of the alley separating and adjoining Lots 5 and 10 in Block 22.

Conduct public hearing and take public comment.

No one spoke at the public hearing

Motion Peters , second Waltman to close the public hearing. All ayes 7-0-0.

Motion Waltman, second Peters to waive the second reading and adopt ordinance No. 545 vacating a portion of former Oak Street and Fourth Street rights of way and a portion of ally right of way in Block 22 as platted on the Central Point Plat of 1855. All ayes 7-0-0.

Approve City of Lake City to enter into an agreement with Wabasha County to use CodeRED

In 2013, Wabasha County began using the CodeRED system as a High Speed Notification system for Public Safety purposes. Neighboring counties of Goodhue and Winona use the same system. Lake City Emergency Management, along with the Lake City Police Department and Public Works, use the system for alerting the public when necessary of emergency situations that have arisen. Public Works uses the text and email portion for public notification of snow removals, planned power outages and disruption of other public utilities.

Police Department uses for public safety announcements and crime alerts etc.

In 2014 Lake City signed a 1 year agreement and at that time asked for a 3 year agreement. The agreement at this time would be for 3 years being billed yearly starting 1-1-2015 and continue until 1-1-2018. \$1,000 yearly fee to be split between Public Works, Police and Emergency Management Budget's.

Motion Spence, second Waltman to approve City of Lake City to enter into an agreement with Wabasha County to use CodeRED for day to day operations as needed for a period of 3 years. All ayes 7-0-0.

Approve Marina Board proposal for new bathhouse

Adam Schimbeno, Vice Chair of the Marina board and Marina Administrator, Mark Lutjen addressed the council with the beach improvement project for the bath house which was a Capital item in the 2015 budget. Marina Board approved this on January 6, 2015.

The Marina Board has worked on a capital plan to improve the bathing beach on the northwest shore of the Marina Point. The old bathhouse built in 1966 was vacant for many years and is in extremely poor condition. The 1966 design was a poor design from the beginning and has always been high maintenance. The new bathhouse will be a simple and efficient building that will be easy to clean and maintain. The new structure would be 1 to 2 feet above the current grade to assist with the occurrences of high water. We are estimating this project at \$125,000.00 or less. Peters requested consideration of the building being heated and open year round.

Schreck stated concerns regarding the construction of this structure as there are several members of the public who would like to see something more of a building encouraging tourism rather than only a public restroom facility.

Motion Waltman, second Boe to request a proposal from Trimension Design to design and prepare specs for a bathhouse with and without heat for the Lake City Marina Beach. Roll call vote: Beckman aye, Schreck nay, Boe aye, Peters aye, Spence aye, Waltman aye, Klipfel aye. Motion carried 6-1-0.

Approve Marina Board proposal for replacing the beach seawall

The seawall at the bathing beach is nearing 100 years old. Over the years much patch work has been done to keep it functional. The time has come to replace the wall rather than continue to add more mortar to a crumbling structure. The Board is also proposing to add two feet to the height of the wall to eliminate erosion problems during high water events. Demolition and building a new 200 foot wall may have a cost of \$150,000.00. This beach improvement project was a Capital item in the 2015 budget. Marina Board approved this on January 6, 2015.

Motion Waltman, second Klipfel to request a proposal from a structural engineer to prepare specs to replace the length of seawall at the bathing beach area and Ouhta Park. Roll call vote: Beckman aye, Schreck nay, Boe aye, Peters aye, Spence aye, Waltman aye, Klipfel aye. Motion carried 6-1-0.

Establish the 2016 budget directives

The budget process starts with approving the 2016 budget calendar. The 2016 budget calendar was approved at the February 9, 2015 Council meeting. The next step is for the members of the Council to establish the expectations for the revenues and expenditures for the 2016 calendar year by which the department heads can prepare recommended budgets for 2016 for their areas of responsibility. The Council establishing the 2016 budget directives is crucial to the budget process because it provides department heads with the framework to prepare budgets that are in line with the stated expectations.

Waltman stepped out.

Motion Schreck, second Boe to establish the 2016 budget directives. All ayes 6-0-0.

6. Consent agenda

- a. City Council workshop meeting minutes February 9, 2015
- b. City Council - regular meeting minutes February 9, 2015
- c. City Council retreat workshop meeting minutes February 11, 2015
- d. City Council meeting minutes January 12, 2015- amended
- e. Approve expense claims 2.5.15-3.4.15
- f. Set public hearing date to authorize the release of a drainage easement between lots 27 and 28, Block 1 in Champion Circle
- g. Approve Memorandum of Agreement with IUOE Local 49 applying approved changes per Springsted employee classification and compensation study
- h. Approve a rate of pay of \$15.00 per hour with a two hour minimum for the audio visual technician beginning April 1, 2015.
- i. Approve administrative increase in garbage contract fee for 1) Tipping fee increase and 2) CPI-U for 2014
- j. ~~Submit to the Chief Judge of the District Court the names of certain individuals that the City Council is recommending to be reappointed to the Charter Commission.~~
- k. Approve hiring Jeffery Groess as full time paramedic
- l. Approve hiring Timothy Babb as volunteer EMT
- m. Approve Lake City Fire Department Officers for 2015
- n. Adopt Resolution 15-028 supporting dedicated state funding for city streets
- o. Adopt Resolution 15-029 confirming new board and commission appointments

- p. Adopt Resolution 15-030 accepting donations totaling \$2,780.00 for the renovation/addition of the Lake City Public Library.
- q. Adopt Resolution 15-031 stating that the City of Lake City has no interest in Outlot F of Eaglewood Estates 1st Addition
- r. Adopt Resolution 15-033 accepting donation of \$571.39 to purchase 1.5 inch nozzle

Motion Peters, second Waltman to adopt the consent agenda as amended. All ayes 7-0-0.

Communication Updates:

Library fundraising summary total pledges to date \$219,078.00 total receipts to date \$30383.00
The Library received a matching grant from the Bremer Foundation for the month of March.

Miscellaneous Discussion

Lake City becoming a Port Authority- advantages and disadvantages

Schreck and Peters requested a discussion on this to direct staff to look into and present back findings in approximately 2 months. By consensus council directs City Administrator to have information for the May council meeting.

Destination Lake City waterfront discussion

Schreck and Waltman requested a discussion on this item. Mayor Beckman suggests that the design proposal the City Administrator received be provided to the Marina and Planning Commission and EDA boards for review and comment prior to any action taken by the council. By consensus the council directs that the City Administrator decimate the proposal to boards and commissions as discussed.

Follow up discussion on the February 9th presentation on the Mayo Board of Trustees recent decision regarding the provision of services a MCHS- Lake City.

Boe and Peters requested a discussion on this item. Waltman and Schreck stated they have concerns as well. Council member Boe stated that he will request this be a discussion item in April as questions continue to linger. Mayo affiliation agreement will be given to all council members.

Informational reports:

As presented.

6 j. Submit to the Chief Judge of the District Court the names of certain individuals that the City Council is recommending to be reappointed to the Charter Commission.

This item was pulled by Mayor Beckman in order to add the name of Daniel Trost. His application was received on Friday after the packets had been delivered.

Motion Schreck, second Peters to submit to the District Court the names of John Albright (F3), Paul Myers (F2) and Daniel Trost (F1) as the names of individuals that the City Council is recommending to be re-appointed to the Charter Commission for the term April 1, 2015 – April 1, 2019. All ayes 7-0-0.

Future Meeting dates:

As presented.

Motion Waltman second Klipfel to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. All ayes 7-0-0.

Joel T. Beckman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kari Schreck, City Clerk