

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOUNDS VIEW CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MOUNDS VIEW
RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

APPROVED

Regular Meeting

May 29, 2018

Mounds View City Hall

2401 County Road 10, Mounds View, MN 55112

6:31 P.M.

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1. **MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER**
 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 3. **ROLL CALL:** Bergeron, Gunn, Hull, Meehlhause, Mueller

NOT PRESENT: None.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - A. **Monday, May 29, 2018, City Council Agenda.**

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Bergeron. To Approve the Monday, May 29, 2018, agenda as presented.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. **Approval of Minutes: May 14, 2018**
 - B. **Just and Correct Claims.**
 - C. **Resolution 8970, Repeal Resolution 5555.**
 - D. **Resolution 8973, Approving the Ramsey County VCET (Violent Crimes Enforcement Team) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA).**
 - E. **Resolution 8974, Approving the Ramsey County Sheriff's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team Joint Powers Agreement (JPA).**
 - F. **Resolution 8972, Approving the Revised Receptionist Job Description.**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Police Department 1st Quarter 2018 Report/2017 Annual Report.

Police Chief Harder reviewed the Police Department's 1st Quarter Report and 2017 Annual Report with the Council. He described how the Police Department was working to expand on the successful programs that were in place and noted the 2nd Annual Father Daughter Ball was a huge success. He commented that Coffee with a Cop and Bowling with a Cop have also been successful events in the community. He reported he was proud of the department's traffic stops and the fact that it now had a second K-9.

Council Member Gunn requested Police Chief Harder review the training the Mounds View Police Officers have attended in 2018. Police Chief Harder reviewed the long list of training events his officers have attended this year.

Mayor Mueller asked if the Police Department had enough Shield 616 equipment for the entire department. Police Chief Harder reported at this time all officers are outfitted with Shield 616 active shooter response equipment.

Mayor Mueller thanked Police Chief Harder for his thorough report and for his great work on behalf of the community.

8. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing: Resolution 8950, Temporary Liquor License for Festival in the Park to allow Ole Piper Inn to Sell and Distribute On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor at the Mounds View Festival in the Park on Friday, August 17 and Saturday, August 18, 2018.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council approve a temporary liquor license for Festival in the Park to allow Ole Piper Inn to Sell and Distribute On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor at the Mounds View Festival in the Park on Friday, August 17 and Saturday, August 18, 2018. He noted this request has been made in years past the only difference was that the request was being made for two days instead of just one.

Council Member Gunn questioned if alcohol would have to remain within the fenced in area at the street dance. Theresa Cermak, Festival in the Park Committee President, explained this would be the case. She asked if the Council would allow for the sale of a variety of beer versus just 3.2% malt liquor.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if this would impact the liquor license request. City Attorney Anderson reported an On-Sale Liquor License was being requested and noted a strong beer and wine license could be issued by the City Council.

Mayor Mueller supported the request from the Festival in the Park Committee to sell a variety of beer at the event.

Council Member Gunn agreed.

Council Member Bergeron asked if spirits would be sold at the event. Ms. Cermak commented only beer would be sold at the street dance and Festival. She reported soda would also be sold at the events.

Mayor Mueller asked what the hours of operation would be for the beer garden and asked how people would be carded before service. _____, Ole Piper Inn, explained people would be carded at the gate and would be given a wrist band if over the age of 21. She noted two people would be serving. She indicated the beer garden would be open on August 17th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and on August 18th from 12:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Mayor Mueller questioned if families could be in the beer garden. Ms. _____ commented families with children would be allowed in the beer garden.

Ms. Cermak discussed the location of the beer garden and noted the street dance would be moved into the Community Center if there was inclement weather. She noted Jonah and the Whales would be playing at the street dance.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Gunn. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8950, Temporary Liquor License for Festival in the Park to allow Ole Piper Inn to Sell and Distribute On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor at the Mounds View Festival in the Park on Friday, August 17 and Saturday, August 18, 2018.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

B. Second Reading and Summary Publication of Ordinance 945, Amending Chapter 600 of the Municipal Code, Section 605.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council adopt Ordinance 945 amending Chapter 600 of the municipal code which addresses shade trees and pest control. He reported once this item was approved by the City Council it would be published on June 1st.

Mayor Mueller asked if a Public Hearing was required for this Ordinance. City Administrator Zikmund reported a Public Hearing was not required for this type of City Code amendment.

Mayor Mueller requested further information on how the City would remove a tree on private property. Public Works Director Peterson discussed the process that would be followed by the City. He explained elm could be removed immediately, but noted oak and ash were removed after the first hard frost and the expense was assessed to the property owner. It was noted the tree removal included the expense for stump grinding.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Gunn. To Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance 945, Amending Chapter 600 of the Municipal Code, Section 605 approving the Summary Publication.

Council Member Bergeron thanked Public Works Director Peterson and the Parks and Forestry Commission for their efforts on this Ordinance amendment.

ROLL CALL: Bergeron/Gunn/Hull/Meehlhause/Mueller.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

C. Resolution 8966, Approving Installation Costs for the Splash Pad at City Hall Park.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council approve the installation costs for the splash pad at City Hall Park. He noted this included both electrical work and the plumbing of water and sanitary sewer lines to the splash pad. He discussed the proposed expense for the concrete, plumbing, electrical and installation work with the Council and recommended approval. It was noted the Public Works Department would be assisting with the installation of the water and sewer lines.

Mayor Mueller commented this project came in \$70,000 less than the Council had budgeted. Public Works Director Peterson reported this was the case.

Mayor Mueller questioned if the splash pad would be recycling and cleaning the water it uses or if it would be using fresh water. Public Works Director Peterson reported this would be a recirculating water system. He provided further comment on the potential of renting out cabanas or covered structures adjacent to the splash pad for birthday parties or other family events.

Mayor Mueller asked if the ballfield would be impacted by the splash pad. Public Works Director Peterson explained the ballfield would have to be flipped in order to make room for the splash pad. He noted this work would be completed by Public Works staff.

Mayor Mueller inquired when the splash pad would be installed. Public Works Director Peterson indicated once approved staff would contact all of the contractors and would be holding a preconstruction meeting. He stated it was the City's intention to have this project completed by August.

Mayor Mueller indicated she would love to see this project completed in time for Festival in the Park. Public Works Director Peterson stated this was staff's goal.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8966, Approving Installation Costs for the Splash Pad at City Hall Park.

Council Member Gunn thanked Public Works Director Peterson for all of his efforts on receiving the lowest bids possible for this project.

Council Member Meehlhause echoed these sentiments.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

D. Second Reading and Summary Publication of Ordinance 943, Amending/Updating Chapter 100 of the Municipal Code, Sections 101, 103, 104, 105, 106 and 107.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council approve an Ordinance amending Chapter 100 of the Municipal Code Sections 101, 104, 105 and 107. He reviewed the proposed changes with the Council in further detail and recommended approval.

Mayor Mueller asked if the summary publication would be printed in the local newspaper. City Attorney Anderson reported this was the case.

Mayor Mueller discussed the use of the words “may” and “shall” throughout City Code. She noted most of the changes proposed throughout the Ordinance were housekeeping in nature.

MOTION/SECOND: Mueller/Bergeron. To Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance 943, Amending/Updating Chapter 100 of the Municipal Code, Sections 101, 103, 104, 105, 106 and 107 approving the Summary Publication.

ROLL CALL: Bergeron/Gunn/Hull/Meehlhause/Mueller.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

E. First Reading of Ordinance 944, Amending/Updating Chapter 200 of the Municipal Code, Sections 202 and 203.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council introduce an Ordinance that would amend Sections 202 and 203 within Chapter 200 of the municipal code. He reviewed the proposed technical changes with the Council in further detail and recommended introduction of the Ordinance.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Waive the First Reading and Introduce Ordinance 944, Amending/Updating Chapter 200 of the Municipal Code, Sections 202 and 203.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

F. First Reading of Ordinance 946, Amending the Mounds View City Code, Chapter 1012 related to Rental Dwelling Licenses.

City Planner/Supervisor Sevald requested the Council introduce an Ordinance that would amend Chapter 1012 of the municipal code related to rental dwelling licenses. He reviewed the proposed changes with the Council and recommended introduction of the Ordinance.

Mayor Mueller indicated the City assesses approximately \$60,000 each year onto property taxes from delinquent utility bills. She noted that over half of these properties were rental. For this reason, she supported Item 4 remaining within the Ordinance amendment.

Council Member Gunn agreed.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if delinquent utilities were due upon the sale of a home. City Attorney Anderson reported this was the case.

Council Member Bergeron questioned if the City received copies of the inspections being completed on group homes by Ramsey County. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald stated the City does not normally receive this information. He noted the City does receive a notice of an application for all group homes and foster homes.

Mayor Mueller requested staff investigate if Ramsey County completes their inspections on an annual basis and if this was being done if the City could get a copy of these inspections. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald stated he would request this information. City Attorney Anderson commented there was no harm in asking the County for this information.

Mayor Mueller asked if the City would be liable for an event that could occur at a group home within Mounds View. City Attorney Anderson reported the City would not be liable for an event that could occur at a group home as these homes were regulated by the County and were outside the authority of the City.

Council Member Bergeron indicated he was still concerned about the City receiving bad press and the shadow that would be cast if an event were to occur at a group home within the community.

Mayor Mueller questioned how the City would address a code enforcement issue at a group home. City Attorney Anderson explained the City would need to address the property owner in the same manner it would any other code enforcement issue in order to have the long grass, noise concern or other issue corrected.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Bergeron. To Waive the First Reading and Introduce Ordinance 946, Amending the Mounds View City Code, Chapter 1012 related to Rental Dwelling Licenses requiring utility bills to be current.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

G. Resolution 8969, Approving the Hire of Peter Szurek to the Position of Public Works Superintendent.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council approve the hire of Peter Szurek to the position of Public Works Superintendent. He noted the City had seven applicants for this position and three of the strongest candidates were interviewed. He reported staff was recommending the hire of Peter Szurek noting he had previously worked for the City of Mounds View.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if vacation time was restored to returning employees. City Administrator Zikmund reported the City's human resources policy was not clear.

Mayor Mueller recommended the City's Human Resources Committee investigate this further.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8969, Approving the Hire of Peter Szurek to the Position of Public Works Superintendent.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Motion carried.

H. Resolution 8971, Final Adoption of 2018 Council Priorities.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council adopt the final 2018 Council priorities. He noted the Council has been working on these priorities since last November. He shared the priorities with the public and recommended approval.

Mayor Mueller questioned if the 5G wireless network would be impacting the City of Mounds View. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald commented the City has been contacted regarding this new network and staff was aware of the changes coming.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Gunn. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8971, Final Adoption of 2018 Council Priorities.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Motion carried.

I. Resolution 8975, Approving Future Maintenance of New Trail on Long Lake Road in Coordination of Road Improvements by Ramsey County.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council approve future maintenance for the new trail on Long Lake Road in coordination with road improvements being completed by Ramsey County. He explained the County would be completing the trail but would like the City to accept the future maintenance of the trail. He provided further comment on the bike routes that were within the City of Mounds View noting this trail segment would provide a valuable connection within the City.

Council Member Bergeron asked who would be responsible for replacing the trail in 20 or 30 years. Public Works Director Peterson explained this would be the City's responsibility within the maintenance agreement.

Council Member Gunn stated this was the way the City has completed many of its sidewalk and trail segments along County Roads. She indicated this has saved the City a great deal of money noting the County has paid for the initial installation of these trail segments.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8975, Approving Future Maintenance of New Trail on Long Lake Road in Coordination of Road Improvements by Ramsey County.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Abstain – 1 (Bergeron) Motion carried.

Mayor Mueller requested the Police Department have increased police patrols along the detour routes.

9. REPORTS

A. Reports of Mayor and Council.

Council Member Gunn reported she attended the graduation ceremony for Police Officer Schultes and K-9 Grizz. She thanked the Mounds View Police Foundation for assisting the City with the funding of this new K-9 officer.

Council Member Gunn noted she would not be able to attend the Monday, July 2nd worksession meeting.

B. Reports of Staff.

City Administrator Zikmund noted he met with the watershed district for an hour and a half today. He explained the information gathered at this meeting would be forwarded to the Council in an upcoming report.

City Administrator Zikmund indicated he received a complaint from a resident regarding the speed of traffic along Spring Lake Road and H2. He explained this resident has requested stop signs and noted this item would be addressed by the Council at a future worksession meeting.

Mayor Mueller asked if the portable speed bumps were an option to assist with reducing speed in the area. City Administrator Zikmund commented the City received a great deal of complaints regarding the portable speed bumps due to the noise they generate.

Mayor Mueller suggested the City consider placing a flashing sign along this roadway. City Administrator Zikmund discussed the expense for this type of sign but noted a grant may be available to assist the City. Police Chief Harder reported the Police Department has had a radar trailer along this roadway and noted it has not assisted in reducing the speed of traffic and commented it was difficult to find a proper location for the trailer. He noted he has spoken to the owner of Cummins Corporation stating this assisted in reducing speed for a short time.

City Administrator Zikmund asked if the Council would be able to attend the SBM Fire Board meeting on Tuesday, June 12th. Mayor Mueller, Council Member Gunn, Council Member Bergeron, and Council Member Meehlhause noted they would be in attendance.

City Administrator Zikmund reviewed the items the Council would be addressing at their June 4th worksession meeting.

City Administrator Zikmund commented he would be on vacation Wednesday, May 30th through Wednesday, June 6th.

Public Works Director Peterson reported the Public Works Department Open House would be held on Wednesday, June 6th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Theresa Cermak, Festival in the Park Committee President, provided the Council with an update on Festival in the Park. She encouraged the public to attend the street dance being planned for Friday, August 17th.

C. Reports of City Attorney.

City Attorney Anderson had nothing additional to report.

- 10. Next Council Work Session: Monday, June 4, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.
Next Council Meeting: Monday, June 11, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.**

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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