

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

APPROVED

Regular Meeting
January 22, 2018
Mounds View City Hall
2401 County Road 10, Mounds View, MN 55112
6:33 P.M.

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

NOT PRESENT: Bergeron.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - A. **Monday, January 22, 2018, City Council Agenda.**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Monday, January 22, 2018, agenda as revised adding Item 9E and placing Item 8 after Approval of the Agenda.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

8. **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**
 - A. **State Representative Randy Jessup.**

State Representative Randy Jessup thanked the Council for their time. He applauded the Council for their efforts on behalf of the community. He noted the 2018 legislative session would begin on February 22nd. He discussed the Republican and Democratic split at the State. It was his hope this session would be productive and noted the 35W MNPASS project was fully funded, along with the sound walls. He anticipated this project would begin in 2019. He commented on projects he would be working on such as sex trafficking along with a continuing appropriation bill if State Government were to shut down.

Mayor Mueller thanked Representative Jessup for his presentation and asked if he would welcome Mounds View Councilmembers and residents at the Capitol. Representative Jessup stated he would graciously welcome visits to the Capitol, along with comments or questions from his constituents.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if Representative Jessup had support from other legislators in the area on his two projects. Representative Jessup commented he would begin seeking support in the coming weeks for his two initiatives.

Council Member Meehlhause requested Representative Jessup continue to support Local Government Aid (LGA).

Mayor Mueller commented further on how important LGA was to the City's budget. She questioned if the Governor and new Republican Lieutenant Governor would be able to work together. Representative Jessup stated this was his hope and noted he would be taking both at their word to work towards this. He commented on a court case that has been brought forward regarding the Lieutenant Governor's ability to serve in both the Executive and Legislative branches simultaneously.

Council Member Meehlhause reported it was his understanding an individual could not hold two elected positions at one time. Representative Jessup understood this to be the case but noted there was past precedent and reported this matter would be decided by the courts.

Mayor Mueller questioned what the President of the Senate's role was. Representative Jessup reported the President of the Senate was responsible for making sure the rules are followed in the Senate.

Mayor Mueller thanked Representative Jessup for his presentation and commended him on a recent award he received from the League of Minnesota Cities. She stated she appreciated all of his efforts on behalf of the community.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 2, 2018, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 8, Line 24 stating she sent her sympathies to the Walk Family.

MOTION/SECOND: Mueller/Meehlhause. To Approve the January 2, 2018, City Council meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

A. January 8, 2018, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 5, Line 7 changing Bob's Gun Club to Bill's Gun Club.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 6, Line 36 recommending the reference to Personnel Committee be changed to Human Resources Committee.

Council Member Hull requested a correction on Page 5, Line 19 correcting the spelling of Jeff Moritko.

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 10, Lines 25 and 26 removing the word being and replacing it with to be.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Approve the January 8, 2018, City Council meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Mueller asked to remove Items 6F and 6G.

- A. Just and Correct Claims.**
- B. Resolution 8893, Accepting Miscellaneous Cash Donations for 2017.**
- C. Set a Public hearing for Monday, February 12, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to Consider the Residential Kennel Request of Linda Brasaemle, 5127 Long Lake Road.**
- D. Resolution 8897, Setting a Public Hearing for Monday, March 12, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to Consider Establishing a Housing TIF District for MWF Properties.**
- E. Resolution 8896 Approving a Lease Extension with Creative Kids Academy Operating at the Mounds View Community Center.**
- F. ~~Set a Public Hearing for Monday, February 26, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to Consider Amending Municipal Code, Section 702.01, Subd 13(b) regarding Possession, Aiming or Discharging of Weapons.~~**
- G. ~~Resolution 8898, Approving the Purchase of Two Ford Police Intereceptor Utility Vehicles along with Additional Equipment and Setup Costs for Both Vehicles.~~**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Consent Agenda as amended removing Items 6F and 6G.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

- F. Set a Public Hearing for Monday, February 26, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to Consider Amending Municipal Code, Section 702.01, Subd 13(b) regarding Possession, Aiming or Discharging of Weapons.**

Mayor Mueller stated she pulled this item from the Consent Agenda for Council Member Bergeron. She explained Council Member Bergeron was concerned with this item being taken off the table prior to him having the opportunity to review this matter further with the City Attorney and City Administrator Zikmund. She reported Council Member Bergeron would like

have this item tabled to the next City Council meeting.

City Administrator Zikmund reported unless the Council removed this item from the table, it would remain tabled.

Council Member Gunn questioned if the entire Council would be privy to the information Council Member Bergeron has requested from the City Attorney. City Administrator Zikmund reported he had distributed the information from the City Attorney to all Council Members.

Council Member Meehlhause encouraged Council Member Bergeron to bring his future questions regarding this project to the City Administrator so they could be forwarded to the entire City Council. City Administrator Zikmund reported all of the questions raised by Council Member Bergeron were done so at the public worksession meeting.

G. Resolution 8898, Approving the Purchase of Two Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles along with Additional Equipment and Setup Costs for Both Vehicles.

Mayor Mueller requested further information on the proposed vehicle purchase. Police Chief Harder requested the Council approve the purchase of two Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles along with additional equipment and setup costs for both vehicles. He explained the City had budgeted for the purchase of two vehicles in 2018 which would assist in replacing the police vehicle that was rear-ended last month. He reviewed the expense to replace the two vehicles and noted the price came in slightly under budget.

Mayor Mueller asked if the police equipment from the vehicle that was involved in the accident could be installed in a new vehicle. Police Chief Harder stated the lights, camera and computer could be used, but noted some equipment was damaged during the accident.

MOTION/SECOND: Mueller/Gunn. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8898, Approving the Purchase of Two Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles along with Additional Equipment and Setup Costs for Both Vehicles.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

9. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing – Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 940, Amending Municipal Code, Section 910, regarding the Management of Right-of-Way within the City of Mounds View.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council adopt Ordinance 940 amending Municipal

Code, Section 910 regarding the management of right-of-way within the City. He reviewed the proposed changes and explained this amendment addressed the regulation of small cell towers.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Ordinance 940, Amending Municipal Code, Section 910, regarding the Management of Right-of-Way within the City of Mounds View.

Mayor Mueller questioned the cost that would be charged to vendors requesting small cell tower permits. Public Works Director Peterson reported staff was still considering this matter.

ROLL CALL: Gunn/Hull/Meehlhause/Mueller.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

B. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing – Resolution 8895, Regarding On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License Request for New Vision Theatres for the Property located at 2430 Mounds View Boulevard (Mounds View 15 Theater).

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council consider an on-sale intoxicating liquor license request for New Vision Theatres for the property located at 2430 Mounds View Boulevard otherwise known as Mounds View 15 Theater. He explained all necessary paperwork, fees and background checks have been completed. He noted he received one call from a concerned resident regarding this request.

Brandt Erwin, Mounds View 15 Theater representative, introduced himself to the Council and noted he was an attorney. He explained he received a typed up memo from staff regarding the call staff received from a concerned citizen. He described how the theater would be serving alcohol to ensure minors were not served and noted all employees would receive adequate training. He reported the theater would be hiring additional employees to more closely monitor the theaters.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 7:32 p.m.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:32 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8895, Regarding On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License Request for New Vision Theatres for the Property located at 2430 Mounds View Boulevard (Mounds View 15 Theater).

Council Member Meehlhause stated he understood some residents had concerns with this request, but noted this was the trend for movie theaters. He stated he wanted to see the City

being supportive of the new owners request versus having a big empty building in Mounds View. He stated he was looking forward to visiting the theater to see the renovations and modifications New Vision Theatres has made to the building.

Mayor Mueller believed the proposed request was a step in the right direction and stated she was pleased the theater would be hiring additional staff to police the theaters.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Motion carried.

C. Resolution 8899, Extending Appreciation to City of Blaine.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council adopt a Resolution extending the City's appreciation to the City of Blaine for their assistance while the Public Works Facility was being constructed. He reported Public Works Director Peterson would be inviting the Public Works staff from Blaine to a luncheon at the new facility to offer his thanks.

Public Works Director Peterson stated the staff at the Blaine Public Works Department has been very accommodating in allowing Mounds View to store some of their equipment in Blaine. He appreciated their generosity and partnership while the new Public Works Facility was being built.

Council Member Meehlhause read Resolution 8899 in full for the record.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Gunn. To Adopt Resolution 8899, Extending Appreciation to City of Blaine.

Mayor Mueller requested staff correct the word appreciation within the Resolution.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Motion carried.

D. Resolution 8900, Extending Appreciation to City of Spring Lake Park.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council adopt a Resolution extending the City's appreciation to the City of Spring Lake Park for their assistance while the Public Works Facility was being constructed. He reported Public Works Director Peterson would be inviting the Public Works staff from Spring Lake Park to a luncheon at the new facility to offer his thanks.

Public Works Director Peterson stated the staff at the Blaine Public Works Department has been very accommodating in allowing Mounds View to store some of their equipment in Spring Lake Park. He appreciated their generosity and partnership while the new Public Works Facility was being built.

Council Member Meehlhause read Resolution 8900 in full for the record.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Hull. To Adopt Resolution 8900, Extending Appreciation to City of Spring Lake Park.

Mayor Mueller thanked the cities of Blaine and Spring Lake Park for their great partnerships with the City.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

E. Resolution 8902, Appointing Chris Atkinson as Lead Worker Parks Division and Bruce Meehan as Lead Worker Streets Division.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council appoint Chris Atkinson as Lead Worker Parks Division and Bruce Meehan to the position of Lead Worker Streets Division. He indicated there was some sense of urgency to this matter which was why this item was placed on the agenda for approval. He explained that because only one person applied for each position interviews were not necessary and the Council could make a recommendation on the positions.

Public Works Director Peterson reported he met with Human Resources Technician Ewald to discuss these appointments and noted both individuals were qualified for the lead positions. He noted both candidates would be on a six-month probation period and would undergo leadership training. He explained he would like to have these lead candidates in place in order to assist with the upcoming Public Works Supervisor interviews.

Mayor Mueller asked if the City had another lead position within Public Works. Public Works Director Peterson reported the City also had a lead water person and noted this position has been in place for the past 20 years.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Mueller. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8902, Appointing Chris Atkinson as Lead Worker Parks Division and Bruce Meehan as Lead Worker Streets Division.

Mayor Mueller congratulated Chris Atkinson and Bruce Meehan on their new positions.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

10. REPORTS

A. Reports of Mayor and Council.

Council Member Gunn stated she would be attending the Anoka County Fire Protection Council meeting on Thursday, January 25th.

Council Member Gunn noted she had the opportunity to attend a meeting with a group of residents that were having problems with missing mail and other suspicious activities. She noted Officer Schultes was in attendance at this meeting to discuss a potential Neighborhood Watch group. She encouraged other residents to consider creating a Neighborhood Watch group as this was a good way to keep in touch with neighbors. Those interested in pursuing this further were encouraged to contact Officer Schultes.

Council Member Meehlhause reported the YMCA Advisory Committee met on Monday, January 22nd where the group received an update on Youth in Government. He stated six representatives from Mounds View were elected to Youth in Government positions. He discussed the program revenue received by the YMCA in 2017. He described the revenue share program in place between the City and the YMCA and noted the City would be receiving just over \$45,000. He was pleased to report that good things were happening at the Community Center.

Council Member Meehlhause stated he would be attending a Northeast Youth and Family Services meeting on Thursday, January 25th.

Council Member Meehlhause reported he would be attending League of Minnesota Training on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Council Member Meehlhause encouraged all Mounds View residents to come out to Lambert Park on Friday, January 26th at 5:30 p.m. for the Police versus Fire hockey game. He noted the event would have food, merchandise and a live auction. He explained all proceeds from the event would benefit the Mounds View Police Foundation.

Mayor Mueller reported the 2nd Annual Daddy Daughter Dance would be held on Saturday, February 24th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Mounds View Community Center.

Mayor Mueller stated she met with four youth working towards their Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge. As a result of their hard work, these individuals would be attending the February 12th City Council meeting and will be leading the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Mueller noted she would be attending the League of Minnesota Cities training on Friday and Saturday of this week as well.

Mayor Mueller stated the Five Cities Mayors meeting was canceled for Monday, February 22nd due to the road conditions. She indicated this meeting would be rescheduled.

Mayor Mueller reported the Ramsey County League of Local Government would be meeting next in February.

Mayor Mueller stated she received a letter from a student, Keaton, at the Champlin-Brooklyn Park Academy for Math and Environmental Science. She explained that this student's teacher had challenged her third-grade class to write a letter to their Mayor identifying a problem in the community, along with a solution to the problem. She stated in this letter Keaton has noted he has no parks in his neighborhood and has requested the City Council build more parks. Mayor Mueller noted she would be sending a letter in response to Keaton identifying the City's ten parks, along with the remodeling plan for City Hall Park.

Mayor Mueller commented on several articles from a recent publication from the League of Minnesota Cities. She discussed the importance of cities protecting local control and how social capital was vanishing. She encouraged Mounds View residents to get to know their neighbors.

B. Reports of Staff.

Public Works Director Peterson stated plowing would begin at 3:00 a.m. from the recent storm event. He estimated the City has received 7 to 8 inches of snow.

Mayor Mueller encouraged residents to be patient while staff works to clear the City of snow and to help their neighbors clean up after this event.

Public Works Director Peterson discussed the projects he was currently working on. He reported appliances were installed at the Public Works Facility and stated his staff was very excited to move into this new space.

Mayor Mueller questioned when an Open House would be held for the new Public Works Facility. Public Works Director Peterson anticipated this would not occur until the spring, given the amount of work that still had to be done to the buildings exterior.

Finance Director Beer reported the City was undergoing its yearly audit at this time.

City Administrator Zikmund stated Brian Beeman welcomed a son to his family. The Council sent their congratulations to Brian and his wife.

City Administrator Zikmund reviewed the February 5th worksession agenda with the Council.

C. Reports of City Attorney.

There was nothing additional to report.

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| 11. Next Council Work Session: | Monday, February 5, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. |
| Next Council Meeting: | Monday, February 12, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. |
| Council Retreat: | Monday, January 29, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. |

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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