



MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: March 15, 2016
CONSENT
ITEM #: 9
MOTION

AGENDA ITEM: Official Newspaper Designation
SUBMITTED BY: Sarah Sonsalla, City Attorney
THROUGH: Clark Schroeder, Interim City Administrator
REVIEWED BY: Sarah Sonsalla/Clark Schroeder

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Introduction of Item.....Staff
- Report/PresentationStaff
- Questions from Council to Staff..... Mayor Facilitates
- Public Input, if Appropriate..... Mayor Facilitates
- Call for Motion..... Mayor & City Council
- Discussion Mayor & City Council
- Action on Motion Mayor Facilitates

PUBLIC POLICY STATEMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

Designate the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review as the City’s official newspaper.

BACKGROUND AND STAFF REPORT:

Minnesota Statutes require the City Council to annually designate a local newspaper as its official newspaper for the publication of ordinances and notices and other matters of importance to the City Council. The City Council had previously designated the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review as the City’s official newspaper, but had also designated the St. Paul Pioneer Press as the City’s alternate official newspaper. It has been brought to the City staff’s attention that the City can only have one official newspaper. Therefore, City staff is recommending that the City Council designate the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review as the City’s official newspaper. The City will no longer publish in the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council to adopt the attached Resolution No. 2016-17, A Resolution Designating the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review as the City’s official newspaper.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Resolution No. 2016-17

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
WASHINGTON COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-17

*A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OAKDALE-LAKE ELMO REVIEW AS THE CITY'S
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER*

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section 412.831 states that a city council shall annually at its first meeting of the year, designate a local newspaper of general circulation in the city as its official newspaper for the publication of ordinances and other matters that are required by law and deemed advisable by the council to be published;

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2016, the City Council of the City of Lake Elmo designated the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review as the City's official newspaper and also designated the St. Paul Pioneer Press as the City's alternate official newspaper; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the City's attention that the City can only have one official newspaper; and

WHEREAS, the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review is a newspaper of general circulation in the City and the City wishes to designate it as its official newspaper; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council does hereby approve the following:

1. That the City's official newspaper is the Oakdale-Lake Elmo Review.
2. That that St. Paul Pioneer Press is no longer designated as the City's alternate official newspaper.

This resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Lake Elmo on this 15th day of March, 2016.

Mike Pearson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Johnson, City Clerk