

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 19, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Pearson and Councilmembers Justin Bloyer, Dale Dorschner, Lisa McGinn and Christine Nelson

Staff present: Administrator Handt, City Attorney Sonsalla, City Engineer Griffin, Planning Director Roberts, City Planner Prchal, Finance Director Iverson and City Clerk Johnson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item 14, “Approve Temporary Driveway Access – 9350 31st Street N” was moved to the Regular Agenda and Item 19, “Approve SCBA Purchase for the Fire Department” was tabled.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ACCEPT MINUTES

Minutes of the November 5, 2019 Regular Meeting were accepted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/INQUIRIES

Susan Dunn, 11018 Upper 33rd Street North, commended the group of students that presented their park research project at the parks commission meeting, asked Councilmembers to speak louder into the microphones during the meeting and responded to comments made during the October 15, 2019 City Council Meeting regarding Sunfish Lake Park.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approve Payment of Disbursements
3. Accept 3rd Quarter Financial Statements
4. Accept October 2019 Fire Department Report
5. Accept October 2019 Building Department Report
6. Accept October 2019 Public Works Department Report
7. Approve Request for Pre Development Finance Fund Grant Request – *Resolution 2019-086*
8. Approve Pay Request No. 8 for the Old Village Ph4 Street & Utility Improvements

9. Approve Pay Request No. 5 for the CSAH19-Hudson Boulevard Intersection Improvements
10. Approve Security Reduction for Wildflower 3rd Addition
11. Approve Massage Therapy License Renewal for Body & Soul/Roxanne Fogard
12. Approve Liquor License Renewals
13. Approve Contract for Municipal Code Recodification

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 - 0.

ITEM 14: Approve Temporary Driveway Access – 9530 31st Street N.

City Planner Prechal presented the property owner's request for a temporary driveway access as an alternative to his current driveway that is almost unpassable due to high water.

Byron Marquez, Farms of Lake Elmo HOA President, asked the Council to postpone the decision so the HOA members have an opportunity to give input and consult with an attorney.

Dean Dodson, 2915 Jonquil, stated agreement with Mr. Marquez.

Dan Ellinbecker, 9530 31st Street North, stated that he has been working with the HOA and stressed that time is of the essence as he may not be able to use his driveway at all in the coming days or weeks due to high water and he is currently unable to get heating oil delivered.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, moved TO APPROVE DRIVEWAY ACCESS ONTO JONQUIL AVENUE FOR THE PROPERTY ADDRESSED AS 9530 31ST STREET NORTH. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 15: Savona Neighborhood Park Name

City Planner Prechal reviewed park names suggested via a poll on the City's website.

Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO NAME THE SAVONA NEIGHBORHOOD PARK HAMMES PARK. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 16: Accept Feasibility Report and Call for Hearing for the Stonegate Street and Utility Improvements

City Engineer Griffin presented the proposed street and utility improvement project for a portion of the Stonegate neighborhood and reviewed assessable properties, abandonment of private wells and proposed project schedule.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-087, RECEIVING THE FEASIBILITY REPORT AND CALLING

A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE STONEGATE ADDITION STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 17: Authorize Feasibility Report for the 31st Street/Stillwater Blvd. Watermain Extension

City Engineer Griffin presented the proposed street and utility improvement project for six homes located just east of 31st Street North and south of Stillwater Boulevard, reviewed assessable properties, and proposed project schedule

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-088, ORDERING PREPARATION OF A FEASIBILITY REPORT FOR THE 31ST STREET AND STILLWATER BLVD WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO BE COMPLETED BY FOCUS ENGINEERING, INC. IN THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$4,800. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 18: Subdivision Ordinance Update

Planning Director Roberts reviewed proposed changes to the Subdivision Ordinance update the review process for new development applications.

Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, moved TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 08-230 APPROVING THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO AMEND THE PRIMARY MOTION BY REQUIRING A SKETCH PLAN TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY WITH THE PRELIMINARY PLAT. Motion passed 4 – 1. (Bloyer - nay)

Primary motion passed 5 – 0 as amended.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2019-089 AUTHORIZING SUMMARY PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE 08-230. Motion passed 5 – 0.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Bloyer, moved TO DIRECT STAFF TO BRING A MOTION TO AMEND THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT. Motion passed 5 – 0.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Bloyer: Attended Valley Branch Watershed District Meeting and encouraged residents to call their County Commissioners to weigh in on the watershed district budget.

Councilmember McGinn: Commended staff on work on 3M water issues.

STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Handt: Announced programs available to residents through a water efficiency grant and reported on upcoming 3M work group meetings.

City Attorney Sonsalla: Working on Springs Apartments Development Agreement and issues with Four Corners.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

LAKE ELMO CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Mike Pearson, Mayor

Julie Johnson, City Clerk