

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 18, 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, Finance Director Iverson, Public Works Director Powers and City Clerk Johnson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

“City Sponsorship of 4th of July Parade” added as item 13 on the Regular agenda.

Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, moved TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ACCEPT MINUTES

Minutes of the June 4, 2019 Regular Meeting were accepted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/INQUIRIES

Susan Dunn, 11018 Upper 33rd St. N., suggested additions to the City’s newsletter recognizing the contributions of Bernie Wilke and David Steel to the city, and expressed opposition to proposed mountain biking trails in Sunfish Lake Park.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approve Payment of Disbursements
3. Accept May 2019 Fire Department Report
4. Accept May 2019 Building Department Report
5. Accept May 2019 Public Works Department Report
6. Approve 2019 Staff Wage Adjustments
7. Approve Summer Newsletter
8. Approve Old Village Phase 4 - Pay Request No. 6
9. Approve Mowing Contract
10. Approve Sale of Excess and Retired Equipment
11. Approve Development Security Reduction

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

ITEM 12: Springs of Lake Elmo – Preliminary Plat and PUD, Zoning Map Amendment

Planning Director Roberts presented the preliminary plat for the Springs of Lake Elmo multifamily housing proposal, noting plans for trails, access points and building layouts. Gwen Wheeler, Continental Properties, spoke on behalf of the applicant, providing an overview of the site plan, market demand, exterior elevations, site amenities and density.

Discussion was held concerning density, pedestrian improvements and amenity points.

Susan Dunn, expressed concerns with the proposal, including density and aesthetics.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2019 - 043 APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY PLAT AND PRELIMINARY PUD PLANS AS REQUESTED BY CONTINENTAL 483 FUND LLC FOR PID# 34.029.21.43.0003 FOR THE PROJECT TO BE KNOWN AS THE SPRINGS APARTMENTS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF HUDSON BOULEVARD, SUBJECT TO RECOMMENDED FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AS LISTED IN THE STAFF REPORT AND PROVIDE 17 AMENITY POINTS.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO AMEND THE PRIMARY MOTION TO REPLACE THE PEDESTRIAN AMENITY POINTS WITH TWO STORY BUILDING AND SEPARATE ENTRANCE AMENITY POINTS AT THE SAME LEVEL. Motion failed 1 – 4. (Pearson, Bloyer, McGinn, Nelson – nay)

Primary motion passed 5 – 0.

Councilmember Nelson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 08- 223 APPROVING THE ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (REZONING) OF SITE OF THE SPRINGS APARTMENTS ON HUDSON BOULEVARD FROM RT (RURAL DEVELOPMENT TRANSITIONAL) TO HDR (URBAN HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) AFTER FINAL APPROVAL OF THE 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BASED ON THE FINDINGS LISTED IN THE STAFF REPORT. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 13: City Sponsorship of 4th of July Parade

City Administrator Handt explained that the City sponsorship of the 4th of July Parade allows the event to be covered by the City's insurance.

Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO USE THE CITY'S INSURANCE FOR THE 4TH OF JULY PARADE. Motion passed 5 – 0.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Pearson: Commented on the recent passing of former Parks Commissioner David Steele.

Councilmember Nelson: Thanked volunteers for the successful Nature Day event at Sunfish Lake Park.

STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Handt: New Deputy Clerk starting next week; LMC conference in Duluth next week.

City Attorney Sonsalla: Attending the LMC Conference next week.

City Engineer Griffin: Announced Keats Avenue closing next week for storm sewer work.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION PURUSANT TO MN STAT, SECTION 13D.05, SUBD 3(B) TO DISCUSS MATTERS PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVIEGE PERTAINING TO POTENTIAL LITIGATION AGAINST HAMLET ON SUNFISH LAKE HOA. Motion passed 5 – 0.

Closed session held.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. Motion passed 5 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 pm.

LAKE ELMO CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Mike Pearson, Mayor

Julie Johnson, City Clerk