

**MAHTOMEDI CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
MAY 21, 2019**

Mayor Jud Marshall convened the regular City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. with Council members Jeff Ledermann, and Steve Wolgamot in attendance. Council member Richard Brainerd and Tim Deans were absent with prior notice. City Attorney Jay Karlovich, City Engineer John Sachi, Public Works Director Bob Goebel, Fire Chief Terry Fischer, and City Clerk Jerene Rogers were also in attendance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council member Wolgamot moved, and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MAY 7, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council member Wolgamot moved, and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve the May 7, 2019 City Council meeting minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. PRESENTATIONS - None

5. DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Joe Robideaux, 159 Iris Street, addressed the Council regarding the water issue at his property. He said the way his driveway was built creates runoff that floods his neighbor's properties. He asked if the City could help him with a solution to this problem.

Steve Tviet, 167 Street, said the flooding of his property increased when the neighbor's driveway was built.

City Engineer John Sachi said the City has already fixed the street in front of this home. He would suggest a bituminous curb on the east side of the driveway. He feels this may help the issue, but it probably will not solve the problem.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Wolgamot moved and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

6a. APPROVAL- Hiring of Seasonal Employees.

Public Works recommended and received approval for the hiring of four seasonal public works employees subject to successful completion of driver's license check, drug test, criminal background check, and physical exam.

6. CONSENT AGENDA-Continued

- 6b. APPROVAL- State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and City of Mahtomedi Flashing Beacon System Maintenance Agreement and Limited Use Permit.

The maintenance agreement and limited use permit between the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and the City of Mahtomedi for the flashing beacon system for the Neptune Street crossing was approved.

- 6c. APPROVAL – Limited Use Permit with State of Minnesota for Flashing Beacon at Neptune Street and Trunk Highway 244.

The Limited Use Permit with the State of Minnesota for a Flashing Beacon at Neptune Street and Highway 244 was approved.

- 6d. APPROVAL- 2019 Recycling Grant Agreement with Washington County.

The 2019 Recycling Grant Agreement with Washington County was approved.

- 6e. APPROVAL- Resolution Adopting Special Assessment for 250 Old Wildwood Road Lateral Sanitary Sewer Line and Lateral Water Line Local Improvement Project Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 429.021.

A Resolution Adopting Special Assessment for 250 Old Wildwood Road Lateral Sanitary Sewer Line and Lateral Water Line Local Improvement Project was approved.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None Scheduled

8. STAFF REPORTS

- 8a. CONSIDER APPROVAL – Request from Paul DeWitt, on behalf of Joy and Jennifer Cedarleaf, for a rezoning from A-Agriculture to R1-B Low Density Residential and a minor subdivision in order to develop the property located at 843 and 909 Arcwood Road into three single-family lots.

City Planner Erin Perdu reviewed the applicant's request. She said the applicant is proposing to split the existing .09-acre property at 909 Arcwood Road into two single-family lots. In addition to the split, some land will be added to the property at 843 Arcwood Road. The added land will make this property a more regular shaped parcel. The applicant is also requesting a rezoning from A-Agriculture to R1-B low density residential. The existing home at 909 Arcwood Road will be removed. She said each lot will meet the required dimensions for the R1-B zoning district and the Shoreland Overlay District. She explained the applicant will be required to pay \$3,000 for the parkland dedication fee as only one lot is being created.

8. STAFF REPORTS – Continued.

City Engineer Sachi said the applicant and his engineering firm has been made aware of the minor issues that will be addressed at the time the building permits are reviewed.

Council member Wolgamot asked if the engineer is okay with the square footage required for the easements.

City Engineer Sachi said yes they are fine with this amount of easement. He said a pool or deck will not be allowed.

Council member Wolgamot moved and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve a Resolution Approving a Request for a Rezoning from A-Agriculture to R1-B Single-Family Residential and a Minor Subdivision to create three single-family lots from the existing two lots at the properties located at 843 and 909 Arcwood Road. PIDS: 31.030.21.13.0038 and 31.030.21.13.0004. The motion was unanimously approved.

8b. CONSIDER APPROVAL – Request for Jon and Harry Melander for a minor subdivision in order to develop the property described as PID 20.030.21.24.0073 (located on the southwest corner of Neptune street and TH 244) into two single-family lots.

City Planner Perdu reviewed the applicant's request. She said the applicant is requesting a minor subdivision of a 1.04-acre property located on Neptune Street. She said both parcel's front Mahtomedi Avenue and each lot would be developed for single-family homes. She said Parcel C would be accessed from Neptune Street and Parcel D would be accessed from Maple Street. She explained both lots will meet the requirements of the R1-E Historic Mahtomedi zoning District.

Engineer Sachi said the grading plans for each lot will be reviewed as each house plan is submitted. He said the City has required that a drainage and utility easement be dedicated over the ponding area. He said the wetland has been delineated and the easement boundary has been set at 10 feet beyond the delineation boundary. He noted this wetland is a Manage 4 type wetland, which requires a 20-foot minimum building setback and a 35-foot average building setback. He said this has been met and is indicated on the drawings. He also said the water service line for Parcel C should be connected to the water line in Neptune Street. He said if the sewer line for Parcel C is to be connected to the sewer line which is in the shoulder of TH 244 the contractor will be required to get a MNDOT permit for the work. In addition, this work will need to be completed before the City building this segment of the Lake Links Trail. The service line then must be connected to the sewer line in Neptune Street. He said the driveways will be off Neptune and Maple Streets, no accesses will be allowed out to TH 244.

Council member Wolgamot asked if the easement for the wetland in the southeast corner will be okay in the future.

8. STAFF REPORTS – Continued.

Engineer Sachi stated the 10-foot easement is beyond the perimeter area.

Council member Wolgamot moved and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve a Resolution Approving a Minor Subdivision for the vacant property bounded by Mahtomedi Avenue, Neptune Street and Maple Street. PID: 20.030.21.24.0073. The motion was unanimously approved.

8c. CONSIDER APPROVAL-Request from Libby Montreuil, on behalf of Tim and Rita Eklund, for a variance to the wetland buffer requirement in order to construct a fire pit at 161 Wildwood Court.

City Planner Perdu reviewed the applicant's request. She said the applicant is requesting a variance from the required wetland buffer in order to construct a fire pit on the property. She said a very large portion of this property is wetlands, which significantly limits the usable space of the rear yard. The rear yard also slopes to form a drainage swale, which further limits the options for placement of a fire pit. In addition, per State Fire Code, the fire pit has to be at least 25 feet from all buildings. She said the Planning Commission recommended approval 4-1 of this request. They did however add additional conditions to the approval.

City Engineer Sachi said if this request is approved a sediment and erosion control plan must be submitted and approved by the Engineer prior to the placement of landscaping and a retaining wall.

Mayor Marshall asked how big the fire pit would be.

Rita Eklund, applicant, said the fire pit will be 3 feet, but the diameter will be 16 feet to include a seating area.

Mayor Marshall said he is concerned with the size of this request.

Council member Ledermann said there is a tremendous amount of waterfowl in that pond and he is not comfortable approving this request.

Council member Ledermann moved and Mayor Marshall seconded the motion to approve a Resolution Denying a Variance to Allow for an Encroachment into the Required Wetland Buffer at the property located at 161 Wildwood Court. PID: 29.030.21.12.0096. Mayor Marshall asked for a roll call vote: Ledermann yes, Wolgamot yes, Marshall yes. The motion passed unanimously.

8. STAFF REPORTS – Continued.

8d. CONSIDER APPROVAL-Request from Washington County for Site Plan Approval for the reconstruction of the library facility located at 763 Stillwater Road.

City Planner Perdu reviewed the request from the applicant. She said the applicant is requesting a site plan approval for the demolition and reconstruction of the Wildwood Library. The new library would be 11,600 square feet, with a 1,000 square foot mezzanine level. She said Washington County held three community engagement meetings for the public to provide input on the upgraded space. She said the proposal meets all the requirements of the P-Park Lands/Public zoning district. She said the plan shows four light poles in the parking lot and the lighting plan will be evaluated at the time of building permit. The existing monument sign will be reinstalled upon completion and there are five other signs that are proposed that are allowed without a permit.

Engineer Sachi stated they have reviewed the application and offered comments to Washington County that must be addressed in a revised site plan to his satisfaction.

City Council member Ledermann asked what the requirement for lighting is.

Planner Perdu stated the source of lights are required to be hooded or controlled in some manner so as not to light adjacent property.

Council member Ledermann suggested they look at the same lighting that will be installed as part of the County Road 12 project. He asked if the building could be moved further to the north on the property.

Mandy Leonard, Washington County said the current parking lot has many slopes and that creates ADA issues. They are planning to lower the elevation to correct these issues. She also said there will be a turn-around for emergency vehicles and one parking spot for a drive-up book drop.

Council member Ledermann encouraged them to look at solar energy.

Mandy Leonard, Washington County said the building is being designed for solar. She said this building will have a reduction in energy usage of 68%.

Council member Wolgamot moved and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve a Resolution Approving a Site Plan for the Reconstruction of the Wildwood Library at the property located at 763 Stillwater Road. The motion was unanimously approved.

8. STAFF REPORTS – Continued.

8e. CONSIDER APPROVAL-Bill List.

Council member Wolgamot moved and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve the bill list as presented. The motion was unanimously passed.

9. REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR - None

10. COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Council member Wolgamot would like to see a 3-way stop sign at Warner Avenue South and 72nd Street, with a crosswalk to the south of 72nd Street. He would also like to pursue a pedestrian trail along the City line on Paddington Road and to get permission from private property owners to allow crossings to Warner. He understands we will have to receive permission from Willernie.

Engineer Sachi said the City could look at a flashing light at that intersection during school hours.

Council member Wolgamot asked Engineer Sachi to look into the cost of a flashing light.

Fire Chief Terry Fischer reminded the City Council that the pancake breakfast will be held on Memorial Day after the parade. They will begin serving pancakes at 9:00 a.m.

11. CLOSED SESSION-None

12. ADJOURNMENT


Council member Wolgamot moved, and Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:



JERENE ROGERS, CITY CLERK



JUD MARSHALL, MAYOR