

**MAHTOMEDI CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2021**

Mayor Jud Marshall convened the regular City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. with Council members Richard Brainerd, Jeff Charlesworth, Jeff Ledermann, and Jane Schneeweis in attendance. City Administrator Scott Neilson, City Attorney Bridget Nason, City Engineers John Sachi and Nick Guilliams, Public Works Director Bob Goebel, Fire Chief Terry Fischer, and City Clerk Jerene Rogers were also in attendance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Council member Brainerd moved and City Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2021 JOINT CITY COUNCIL/WASHINGTON COUNTY WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES AND THE FEBRUARY 16, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

City Council member Brainerd moved and City Council member Schneeweis seconded the motion to approve the February 16, 2021 Joint City Council/Washington County Work Session meeting minutes and the February 16, 2021 City Council meeting minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Abstain: Charlesworth
Nay: None.

4. PRESENTATIONS – Carter Johnson, White Bear Press

Carter Johnson, White Bear Press thanked the Council for designating the White Bear Press as the City's official newspaper. He said they are delighted to serve the City. He said their goal is to get the paper out to anybody who would like a copy. He said there is a new rack at Roma Restaurant for residents to get a copy.

5. DISCUSSION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Scott Eggert, 121 Loretta Lane would like the citizens of Mahtomedi and the MAGI group to see more details of the CSAH 12 design.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

City Council member Brainerd moved and City Council member Schneeweis seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None

6a. APPROVAL –Resolution Approving the Acceptance of Gifts for the Fire Department.

Resolution 2021-14 a Resolution Approving the Acceptance of Gifts for the Fire Department in the amount of \$25.00 was approved.

6. CONSENT AGENDA - Continued

6b. APPROVAL – Schedule Advisory Commission Applicant Interview Work Session for March 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

A Work Session to interview Commission Applicants was scheduled for March 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

6c. APPROVAL – Access Agreement for Soil Borings at Veteran’s Memorial Park.

An agreement with Braun Intertec on behalf of the MPCA to continue an investigation of the former service station at 302 Stillwater Road was approved. Braun Intertec will be conducting soil contamination studies on the site and on the property to the west.

6d. APPROVAL – Lincolntown Area Drainage Study Proposal from WSB.

A proposal from WSB to provide the City with a drainage study for the Lincolntown Avenue area was approved. The proposal is for \$20,000 which was included in the 2021 Storm Water budget.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

8. STAFF REPORTS

8a. CONSIDER APPROVAL-Resolution Approving Municipal Support for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 12 (Wildwood Road) Improvement Project.

City Council member Ledermann stated he would like a follow-up to the workshop meeting to discuss additional specifics regarding the County improvement plan for this area. He said if the City is intending to make Old Wildwood Road the primary pedestrian access then a lot has to be done to get that accomplished.

City Council member Brainerd said there has been a lot of effort by a lot of people to get us to this point. He said Old Wildwood Road is a City concern that we need to focus on. He said signage, walkways, painting, etc. is a must for this roadway. He asked the County when we will have final plans for the CSAH 12 project to review.

Washington County Engineer Kevin Peterson said the County will be back before the Council prior to bid release. He indicated the County will work with City staff to dive into the details and hopefully have final plans by October 2021.

City Council member Brainerd moved and City Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2021-12 a Resolution Accepting Municipal Support for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 12 (Wildwood Road) Improvement Project. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None.

8. STAFF REPORTS

8b. DISCUSSION – 2021 Deer Survey.

Public Works Director Bob Goebel said 99 deer were counted during the fly over this year. He said the numbers are close to where we were three years ago. He said the greatest number of deer were in the northern area of the city. He said it was very apparent during the fly over, that people are feeding the deer. He said we need to discuss this with our code enforcement officer. He said Washington County already bans feeding deer due to Chronic Waste Disease that is spread between deer.

City Council member Ledermann said we need to start preparing now for a city-wide deer management hunt. He would like Mahtomedi to work closely with our neighbors to include them in this process. He said the simplest way to proceed with this is to use the Metro Bowhunters Association during archery season which runs September through mid-December.

8c. CONSIDER APPROVAL – Resolution of Support for Clean Cars Minnesota.

City Administrator Neilson said the Environmental Commission is recommending the City Council approve a Resolution supporting Clean Cars Minnesota. He said in 2019, Governor Walz announced that Minnesota would be joining 14 other states and the District of Columbia in adopting clean car standards which are regulations and incentives for the auto industry aimed at reducing pollution and giving customers more choices for low and zero emission vehicles.

City Council member Ledermann moved and City Council member Schneeweis seconded the motion to approved Resolution No. 2021-13 a Resolution of Support for Clean Cars Minnesota. The motion was unanimously passed by roll call vote: Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None.

8d. DISCUSSION – Bill List.

City Council member Ledermann moved and City Council member Brainerd seconded the motion to approve the bills as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None.

9. REPORT FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Public Works Director Goebel said they are busy with snow and trimming trees.

Fire Chief Fischer said they have been busy as well. They have had three house fires recently, two in Grant and one in Stillwater.

City Council member Schneeweis thanked Chief Fischer for the Fire Department Annual Report. She also welcomed Jeff Charlesworth to the Council.

10. COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

City Council member Brainerd informed the Council about a zoom session Senator Wiger is holding to discuss East Metro Transportation on March 15 at 12:30 p.m.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, Subd. 3(b) and pursuant to the attorney-client privilege, a closed door Executive Session for discussion with the attorney representing the City relating to the pending litigation matter of the City of Mahtomedi v. Lyla M. Douglas, et. al., Washington County District Court File No. 82-CV-19-5745.

City Council member Schneeweis moved and City Council member Brainerd seconded the motion to adjourn the regular City Council meeting at 8:16 p.m. and go into a Closed Session for an attorney-client privileged discussion involving the following pending litigation matter: City of Mahtomedi v Lyle M. Douglas, et al. Washington County District Court File No. 82CV-19-5745. The motion was unanimously passed by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall. Nay: None.

Mayor Marshall, City Council members Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann and Schneeweis were in attendance along with City Administrator Neilson, City Attorney Nason, and City Clerk Jerene Rogers.

Following the Closed Session, City Council member Brainerd moved and City Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to reconvene the regular meeting. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

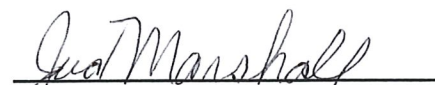
City Council member Schneeweis moved and City Council member Ledermann seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Yea: Brainerd, Charlesworth, Ledermann, Marshall, Schneeweis. Nay: None.

ATTESTED:



JERENE ROGERS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED:



JUD MARSHALL, MAYOR