

COUNCIL MEETING: April 5, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: 7:12 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kerry Taylor, Council Robert Smestad Jr., Carolyn Brooks, Terrill Anderson, Randy Ebert

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Clerk Kristine DeBoer, Sgt. Pat Cummings

OTHERS PRESENT: Jared Klahsen

ADOPT MINUTES:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Brooks to adopt the 03/15/2023 Council meeting minutes. All Aye 5/0

MINNETRISTA PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Sgt. Cummings was present and stated that Public Safety is still short-staffed. They were able to rehire Josh Brown, who had previously worked for Public Safety. They are still in the process of looking to hire one more person.

The department has been trained in using a non-lethal pepper ball launcher. It looks like a paintball gun (yellow), so does not look like a rifle. They can use this from a distance, unlike a taser. Hoping to never have to use it, but in some situations, it may be helpful without resorting to lethal weapons.

- **POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT MARCH 2023: FYI**

MISSILE PARK LIGHT POLES – JARED KLAHSEN

Jared Klahsen submitted a letter regarding the \$25,000 purchase of the used light poles. To summarize, the installation of the used poles was misquoted. The installation of the used poles is much more expensive because they do not fit the precast concrete bases which were included in the quote for new equipment, instead they will have to pour concrete for each pole. So, the cost of the old poles and the higher installation fee is essentially the same as if all new equipment were purchased. Starry Electric is willing to refund the full \$25,000 but Musco has given an updated bid of \$254,000 (which is a \$32,600 discount). The \$25,000 would go towards the project and the City, Saints and Crown would still have to raise \$229,900. Klahsen believes that with lights, the park would be able to generate more revenue by renting the field out to other teams and the cost of lights would be recouped in less than 3 years.

Anderson questioned the need for a transformer and Klahsen assured the council that a transformer is not necessary.

Anderson stated that Crown College should be approached and discuss what kind of commitment they are willing to make over a 3-year period. Jared agreed to contact Brooks (Crown Coach) to start the conversation to meet with him the Finance Director and the Athletic Director early next week.

The council directed staff to research the terms of loans for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/COMMISSION MINUTES:

MET COUNCIL ONGOING INFLOW/INFILTRATION (I&I) PROGRAM PEAK HOURLY DISCHARGES GOAL: FYI

MET COUNCIL SURVEY OF SEWER DATA FOR 2022: FYI

Brooks asked for confirmation that St. Boni does not have any septic tanks in the city so that part of the survey did not apply.

ST. BONI LIONS CLUB \$5,000 DONATION FOR MISSILE PARK RENOVATIONS: FYI

The Lions request that they will receive proper signage acknowledging donations. Anderson stated that signage is being discussed, but any signs for the next couple of years may be temporary until permanent signage is chosen.

MOHAWK JAYCEES LAWFUL GAMBLING PROCEEDS OF \$8,000 DONATION FOR THE MISSILE PARK IMPROVEMENTS - LIGHTING: FYI

MISSILE PARK BASEBALL FIELD COMMITTEE MARCH 15 MEETING MINUTES: FYI

'THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION' FLYER: FYI

PLANNING COMMISSION 03-28-2023 DRAFT MINUTES:

○ **SITE PLAN REVIEW 8800 HIGHWAY 7, OWNER KWIK TRIP IN B-2 HIGHWAY/COMMERCIAL BUSINESS DISTRICT:**

- **APPLICATION DATED 3/14/2023 – INSTALL COOLER/FREEZER ADDITION, REMOVE COOLER AND REMODEL KITCHEN**
- **SITE PLAN DATED 3/16/2023**
- **3/28/2023 CITY PLANNER REPORT**
- **3/21/2023 CITY ENGINEER REPORT**

The council reviewed the above-listed documents and discussed the planner and engineer suggestions regarding the platting of the site.

Motion made by Smestad and seconded by Brooks to approve the Kwik Trip building addition site plan with the notes of the engineer and city planner and the stipulation they will be required to provide a plat. All aye 5/0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

MISSILE PARK SCOREBOARD DRAFT PLEDGE AGREEMENT WITH GROVE BANK OFFERING ADDITIONAL ADVERTISEMENT OF PANELS IF A 10-YEAR AGREEMENT IS ACCEPTED \$60,000:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Ebert to approve the draft pledge agreement with Grove Bank. All aye 5/0

Smestad also suggested approaching Republic Sanitation regarding the scoreboard. Mayor Taylor stated that we can ask.

MISSILE PARK BALLFIELD FENCE RELOCATION QUOTE:

A quote from Midwest Fence was received to relocate the fence for \$9,779. The quote indicates that all new posts will be used, but Ebert stated that they should be using the unbent old posts; would like to see the cost of posts listed. The council would like to see an itemized line-item quote.

The council requests more clarity on the quote and to receive at least one more quote from another company.

TWINS FIELDS FOR KIDS MATCHING GRANT \$7,000 AWARD FOR THE MISSILE PARK FIELD BACKSTOP PROJECT ESTIMATED AT 60,000. ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT:

Grant was received for \$7,000 and the city must match \$7,000. The backstop was applied for in the grant and the total project was estimated at \$60,000, so the city would have to provide an estimated \$53,000 to complete the backstop project. The council agreed that the backstop could not be completed within the next year. Any changes made to the project work approved for the grant would have to be approved by the grant board.

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Anderson to accept the Twins Field for Kids matching grant for \$7,000 for the Missile Park field with the change to use for reconstruction of the fencing and sod. All aye 5/0

SEASONAL EMPLOYEES – ADM/CLK/TRS MEMO:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Brooks to hire Jason Menzel as the seasonal Public Works employee at \$18.00 per hour working 24 hours per week effective May 1st through September 1st of 2023. All aye 5/0

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Anderson to hire Phil Kranz as the seasonal Parks employee at \$18.00 per hour on an as needed basis at the Missile Park effective April 6th through November 1st, 2023. All aye 5/0

R&G VISIONS COMPUTER QUOTE \$7,489.89:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Smestad to approve the R&G Visions computer quote for \$7,489.89. All aye 5/0

PROPOSED THURSDAY 04/13/2023 COUNCIL/CONSULTANT/STAFF QUARTERLY WORKSHOP AGENDA:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Mayor Taylor to adjourn the meeting. All aye 5/0
8:28 pm

ATTEST:

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Assistant Clerk, Kristine DeBoer