

COUNCIL MEETING: July 5, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Adm/Clk/Trs Brenda Fisk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Lundberg, LMCC; Jessica Green, Northland Securities; Hayden Cordell (8645 Wildwood Ave.)

ADOPT MINUTES:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Brooks to adopt the 06/21/2023 council meeting minutes. Aye 3/0 Ebert abstained Anderson not present for the motion.

LAKE MINNETONKA COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION – JIM LUNDBERG

• **LMCC Member City Survey**

Jim Lundberg highlighted the services LMCC provides to the area and reported the LMCC budget shortfall projected due to “cord cutting” – less Mediacom subscribers for cable television. LMCC has distributed a survey to member cities listing the options for addressing the shortfall. Cities are asked to rank their choices:

Option A – long term – transition to a dual funding model with mix of Mediacom and City Funding

Option B – Continue LMCC – short term – Use/sell LMCC assets to fund LMCC in the short term.

Assets include the land and building located in Spring Park.

Option C – Dissolve LMCC – December 2024 – distribute assets

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Brooks for the council to report to the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission that our survey results were B, A, C. All aye 5/0

2023 STREET & UTILITY PROJECT FUNDING:

Jessica Green from Northland Securities was present to request council approval of the Engagement letter followed by reviewal of a bond schedule proceeds totaling \$4,070,000 payment thru collected by assessments and tax levies through 2038 with an interest rate of 3.5%

Motion made by Smestad and seconded by Brooks to approve the engagement of Northland Securities as the underwriter for the street projects 2023. All aye 5/0

Project includes \$1million in water, sewer, storm sewer R/M. Payments can be transferred from the water and sewer funds annually to cover bond expenses.

Green added to the discussion the recent request to add ballfield lights to the bond due to a potential lease being 7.49%. The approximate expense of \$270,000 minus contributions can be added to the bond under a tax abatement process including a public hearing. Tax levy can be reduced by including language in tax levy resolution if additional contributions are received in future years. The council was in general agreement with adding the lights to the bond.

Consultant will return upon bond preparation. The council did not discuss reducing the bond amount by using a portion of water and sewer fund reserves.

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/COMMISSION MINUTES:

POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT JUNE 2023: FYI

MELCHERT HUBERT SJODIN LEGAL SERVICES BUDGET YEAR 2024: FYI

Firm was unable to give a 2024 budget hourly fee due to Jacob Saufley leaving the firm. Consensus to have staff look for other civil attorney firms.

MISSILE PARK BASEBALL FIELD COMMITTEE JUNE 21 MEETING MINUTES: FYI

DNR FY24 OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION DENIAL: FYI
Other grant updates included Twin players donation of \$8,000. Council to discuss possible uses at the workshop.

Smestad brought up concern about fence at Boniface field. Hayden Cordell offered his services to trim the arborvitae trees that are over the fence and the council agreed. Staff directed to ask about repairing of the fence for Boniface field with possibility of using any fence leftover from Missile Park project.

Hennepin County Youth Sports equipment grant approved \$10,000 for the scoreboard.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDING GRANT APPLICATION:

The grant provides up to \$75,000 per City to choose one of three options as follows:

1. To be performed by an Engineer.
2. Records review for inventory development
3. Visual inspection for inventory development

Development of a Lead Service Line (LSL) replacement plan or assistance with drinking water revolving fund LSL replacement funding application. The application as prepared by Fisk included current engineers Bolton and Menk to conduct the visual inspection for inventory development.

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Mayor Taylor for approval of the application for the lead service line inventory technical assistance public water system. Aye 4 Nay 1 Smestad

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST TANIA DUKE COMPLETION OF PROBATION PERIOD:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Brooks to approve Secretary/Receptionist Tania Duke completion of probation period. All aye 5/0

SAFE BASEMENTS PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING EXTERIOR DAMP PROOFING/DRAIN TILE UPDATE:

Safe Basements left the site earlier due to wet soil and minimum space to work between the buildings safely. They confirmed the damp proofing on east side of building was done in 2014 upon building construction and there is drain tile, both in good condition as inspected upon excavation earlier this year. Safe Basements will be meeting with Tony Ebert, Public Works building neighbor, to discuss the land reparation. The council considered the project to be complete and Safe Basements will not be conducting the exterior damp proofing as quoted as approved.

PROPOSED THURSDAY 07/13/2023 COUNCIL/CONSULTANT/STAFF QUARTERLY WORKSHOP AGENDA:

Add DNR well static reporting to agenda.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS:

MISSILE PARK

Need update as to backfill completion near first base by Henning.

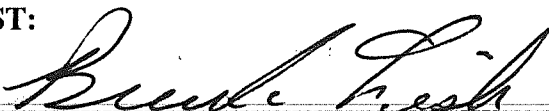
WATER TREATMENT PLANT:

Public Works reported that filter media should be replaced in 2028 with an estimated expense of \$100,000.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Brooks to adjourn the meeting. All aye 5/0
8:40 pm

ATTEST:



Brenda Fisk, Adm/Clerk/Treasurer