

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, April 11, 2011
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Doak called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jim Doak; Council Members, Michael Jilek, Sliv Carlson, Chris Rich and John Massie.

Absent: None

Guests: Tom Newberry

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of the Council Meeting, March 14, 2011.

Council Member Carlson moved and Council Member Jilek seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Hydrant Flushing

Council reviewed the quote from Infratech for hydrant flushing and exercise of the gate valves. Council agreed, given the age of the system, it would be prudent to exercise the gate valves again this year and then every-other-year thereafter.

Council Member Jilek moved to approve the quote from Infratech to flush all hydrants and exercise gate valves in May. Council Member Massie seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Carlson requested that Infratech provide a summary enumerating the gate valves and fire hydrants, denoting any issues that are found.

B) Cornerstone Inc., Street Patching

Council reviewed a quote from Cornerstone, Inc. for the 2011 road repairs. Council Member Rich reported that the quote included pothole repairs with the option of granite chips over the pothole patch. Council Member Rich stated that the City Engineer recommended that the granite chips placed over pothole patches extends the life of the patch. Cornerstone's quote also included a quote for \$6,000 to seal cracks and repair heaves. Council Member Rich recommended Council pass on the crack sealing in 2011 to offset the snowplow budget overruns. The patching would be completed in April, weather permitting. Pothole repair along Stone Arch Road would be finished following the completion of the construction project. Mayor Doak reported that Breezy Point Road will not be seal coated in 2011 because Centerpoint Energy will be replacing a gas line along the roadway which will include excavations and multiple boring holes.

Council Member Rich moved to approve the quote from Cornerstone, Inc. for pothole repairs with granite chips applied to the top of the patch, and not to include the proposed crack filling. Council Member Jilek seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Ordinance No. 04-14; Amending section 415 of the City Code

Council continued discussion regarding amending the nuisance ordinance to prohibit the depositing of snow and ice on City streets and rights-of-way.

Mayor Doak suggested the Council consider a more comprehensive ordinance to address City roads and rights-of-ways that includes snow removal by homeowners and city plows and also address obstructions in the right-of-way, rather than amending the nuisance ordinance.

Council agreed to table the discussion and draft a comprehensive ordinance regarding all street issues.

B. Resolution No. 06-2011; Expressing the Recommendation to Consider Separate Future Enterprise Funds in the Future

Council reviewed Resolution No. 06-2011; stating that it is the recommendation of the present Council that separate enterprise funds be created for future water or sewer improvements.

Council Member Rich moved and Council Member Carlson seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 06-2011. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Storm Water Management Rule Revision.

Council received a copy of the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District's final rule revision. There were no comments.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Doak reported that the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District will continue to improve communications with cities and will be meeting with the municipal liaisons on upcoming issues.

Mayor Doak reported that he attended a number of meetings regarding aquatic invasive species. The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District is encouraging the DNR to put a state wide control program in place.

Centerpoint Energy will be replacing a steel gas line along the north side of Breezy Point Road and Maplewood Road in the coming months.

Mayor Doak distributed a Consumer Guide report comparing internet, phone and TV providers. Mediacom measured poorly against its competitors in all service areas. Mayor Doak stated that the LMCC Fiber to the Home appears to be a valid option.

Council Member Jilek reported that he will be working with the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission committee to review the franchise agreement with Mediacom. The franchise agreement has a 15 year term.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Public Safety

No report.

Roads, Signs and Trees

Council Member Rich reported that he, along with the City Engineer Dave Martini and Tim Lovett of Cornerstone, reviewed the road conditions to determine the extent of the improvements needed.

City Engineer Dave Martini will obtain quotes to repaint the centerlines along Breezy Point Road and Maplewood Road. Council Member Rich also reported that the City will be seeking quotes for tree contractor service.

Mayor Doak noted that, the City will not usually make repairs to residential lawns that get scraped by the plow or sprinkler heads in the right-of-way that get broken.

Damage to other property and mailboxes from the plows will be considered on a case by case basis.

Finance, Enterprise Funds, Intergovernmental & MCWD

Council Member Carlson reported that the State Legislature is scheduled to adopt the final language regarding variances that would restore the City's authority to grant variances with conditions.

Council Member Carlson reported that according to the 2010 census, Woodland's population is less than 500 residents.

The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District has grants available for homeowners to make improvements to their property that include rain gardens.

Ordinance, LMCD and Website

Council Member Jilek reported that he spoke with Woodland's LMCD liaison Herb Suerth and he desires to continue to serve as Woodland's liaison to the LMCD. Council Member Jilek reported that he would provide LMCD updates to the Council.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Council Member Jilek moved approval of the Accounts Payable as submitted. Council Member Massie seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Council Member Carlson moved approval of the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Council Member Rich seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned by consent at 8:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

Shelley J. Souers, City Clerk

James S. Doak, Mayor