

City of North Saint Paul
July 5, 2022
Approved Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Furlong called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Thorsen
Council Member Petersen
Council Member Cole
Council Member Wong
Mayor Furlong

Staff: Interim City Manager Brian Frandle, Deputy Clerk Jennie Kloos

IV. ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Council Member Wong, seconded by Council Member Thorsen, with all present voting aye (5-0), motion carried to approve the agenda as submitted.

V. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Cole, with all present voting aye (5-0), motion carried to approve the consent agenda, Resolution No. 2022-066 consisting of:

- A. June 21, 2022 workshop minutes
- B. June 21, 2022 regular meeting minutes
- C. General Claims \$1,022,374.89
- D. HRA Claims \$757.89
- E. EDA Claims \$131,194.00
- F. Approve Tobacco License Application for Holiday Station #441 – 2255 S. Avenue E. for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
- G. Approve Hydro Klean Sewer Cleaning & Televiser not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$121,467.00

VII. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC

John Schmahl expressed his concern over the fireworks noise and the postal stamp cost increase.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

IX. CITY BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS & RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no action items or recommendations.

X. REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENTS

Interim City Manager Frandle reported the City can now host all public meetings online through a variety of online resources to provide transparency and suggested meetings take place in rooms that have easy audio and visual technology.

Mr. Frandle noted National Night Out is August 2nd and will include a variety of things to do and see. He also encouraged registering online for block parties on the City website.

Mr. Frandle provided department updates and mentioned the MMPA annual meeting is Tuesday, July 26th at Greenhaven Golf Course.

XI. REPORTS OF COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

Council Member Cole reported Parks and Recreation will meet July 27, Concerts in the Park is scheduled for July 21 at 7:00 p.m., EDA meets Tuesday, July 12, and the Joint EDA and Planning Commission meeting is July 21, 2022.

Council Member Wong stated Arts and Culture Commission will meet tomorrow. Planning Commission held a special meeting to discuss the Eldridge property and will meet again this Thursday for its regular scheduled meeting.

Council Member Petersen stated landscaping is scheduled for this Thursday at the student-built house.

Council Member Thorsen reported the Redevelopment Master Plan Commission met on Monday, June 27 to wrap things up. That Plan will be reviewed by the Planning Commission on July 7 where the public hearing will take place and it is scheduled to be reviewed by EDA on July 12. It will then be discussed by City Council for final approval.

Council Member Thorsen requested advice from City Attorney Mattick regarding how to absolve a committee. Mayor Furlong added he will check with Mr. Mattick on the specifications regarding this committee.

Mayor Furlong stated the Wreaths Across America event had lots of attendees and was a great event.

XII. GENERAL BUSINESS

Council Member Cole mentioned possible future updates on Police and Fire Departments.

Council Member Wong had nothing to report.

Council Member Petersen stated the annual conference went well and she is going on a ride-along with the Police Department tonight.

Council Member Thorsen had nothing to report.

Mayor Furlong thanked Council Member Cole for attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for M/I Homes. Mayor Furlong attended the Tartan High School groundbreaking ceremony and on July 14, the firefighters are having their annual picnic at Casey Lake. The Fire Department is requesting City Council members to do the cooking.

Mr. Frandle added the insurance company will be inspecting 58 buildings and structures for possible hail damage. No inspection date has been set at this time but it will be scheduled and someone will come out.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion by Council Member Wong, seconded by Council Member Petersen, with all present voting aye (5-0), Mayor Furlong adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

/s/ Terrence J. Furlong, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Brian Frandle, Interim City Manager / Clerk