

The Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Mayor Michael Egelston at the Community Meeting Room, 100 Village Center Drive, Suite 150, City of North Oaks, Minnesota. Present were Councilmembers Marty Long, Gregg Nelson, Rick Kingston, Katy Ross and Mayor Michael Egelston. City Administrator Michael Robertson, City Attorney David Magnuson, Recording Secretary Kathy Laur and Videographer Maureen Anderson were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Silent contemplation was observed for former Mayor Ray Foley who had passed away on June 7, 2015.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Long moved to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ross and passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

None

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 14, 2015 for approval
2. Minutes of the Natural Resource Commission of May 21, 2015 for approval
3. Minutes of the Regular Planning Commission Meeting of May 28, 2015 for approval
4. Minutes of Recycling Committee meeting of May 4, 2015
5. Approve Variance 15-05, 16 Black Oak Road ISTS
6. Approve Gillette Children's Hospital Request for Gambling Permit
7. Licenses for Approval:

Mechanical Contractors Plumbing & Heating: Joseph Edolm, LLC; Metro Gas Installers; Sustainable Heating and Cooling, Tiger Plumbing heating and Air; Total Comfort

Arborists

General Contractors: Premier General Contracting Inc.

Sewer/Water Installation:

Claims for Approval: Check numbers #011407 - 011440

Councilmember Ross made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with a second from Councilmember Kingston. The motion carried unanimously.

Petitions, Requests & Communication

Steve Kothman of Hansen Homes requested a change in the allowed driveway width for Charlie Lake Preserve from 18' at the property line to 24'. Council asked why 18' was required. Administrator Robertson said neither he nor Building Official Greg Schmit knew why because neither had been involved in the Charley Lake Preserve approval process. Robertson thought it might have been because the original development proposal was for town homes. Mayor Egelston asked if a public hearing was needed. City Attorney Magnuson said no, that Administrator Robertson had the authority to make the change.

Councilmember Long made a motion to change the requirement to 24 feet at the edge of the street and to copy the City Council and Planning Commission with the changed language. Councilmember Kingston seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

New Business

1. Approve Sidewalk Agreement with City of Shoreview

Administrator Robertson reviewed the agreement. Construction cost would be shared with Shoreview and Ramsey County. Shoreview has agreed that they will provide snowplowing of the sidewalk. North Oaks will handle the engineering and construction management. City of Shoreview is happy that we are taking the lead on this and they are very appreciative.

Councilmember Long made a motion to approve the agreement with a second from Councilmember Ross. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approve Revised Minor Subdivision

City Attorney Magnuson and Administrator Robertson reviewed the changes, which would bring the ordinance into compliance with State law. The Council would like the language changed so that any creation of an additional lot would require the applicant to go through the Planning Commission and City Council for approval.

Councilmember Nelson made a motion to approve the revised minor subdivision procedure and to remove the line that says "*all changes in multiple common boundary and lot lines that will result in the creation of only one additional lot,*" with a second from Councilmember Kingston. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve revised Subsurface Septic Treatment System (SSTS) Ordinance

Administrator Robertson said the state changed the septic rules in 2009 and gave counties and cities three years to comply. That deadline has been extended several times. Building Official Greg Schmit has proposed a new ordinance which meets the new state requirements. He is also proposing to reduce the time to bring a system into compliance after notification from three years to two years and he is proposing a point of sale provision. This would require that a septic system must be certified compliant with current State regulations before a property title can be transferred. Many lenders already require this for the sale of a home. Councilmember Ross said she was uncomfortable with the point-of-sale provision.

Councilmember Nelson made a motion to table any action until August, with a second from Councilmember Long. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Katy Ross

- 1. Recycling Committee** - She said articles on recycling will be in the North Oaks News every month; Bernie Laur sat at a table during the Community Fair to answer questions about recycling. The Committee will continue to put articles in the paper under the

heading “The Recycle Bin.” She noted that last year North Oaks recycled 466 tons of paper, cans, glass and plastic.

2. **Planning Commission Meeting** - She said the email blasts and announcements on the city website regarding public notices have been helpful. Residents are seeing those announcements and showing up at meetings. Ordinance changes are on the website.
3. **Lake Johanna Board of Directors meeting** - She said that Fire Chief Tim Boehlke wants the City to adopt the fire code. Katy also did a ride-a-long with the fire department.
4. **TCAAP** - Concept approval began last month and roads will be built in 2016.

Councilmember Marty Long

1. **NRC** - He met with staff and former Mayor Watson to review the deer management program.
2. **VLAWMO** - He reported that they are working with VLAWMO to fund additional shore restoration.

Councilmember Rick Kingston

1. **NOHAPP** - The committee has met a couple of times. They would like more people to participate in the project. The NOHOA board was briefed and believes this is an important initiative.
2. **Clare Bridge/Brookdale** - He represented the City at the ceremony re-naming Clare Bridge to Brookdale of North Oaks. It’s an Alzheimer’s facility and it’s great to have them in our city. He took a tour of the facility and was impressed with the high level of care residents receive there.

Councilmember Gregg Nelson

1. **Finance Committee** – He met with Building Official Greg Schmit to discuss the FAR (floor area ratio) and how it might be improved. They will draft an ordinance with language that’s easier to understand.
2. **North Suburban Cable Commission** – They are close to approving a contract with Century Link.

Mayor Michael Egelston Report

1. He met with NOHOA about areas of mutual concern and to keep up a dialog.
2. He has been in contact with the Urban Land Institute to talk about NOHAPP initiatives. They are more oriented toward development than preservation.
3. He met with Mayor Sandy Martin of Shoreview. Mayor Martin wants to thank us for our participation in the North Oaks/Shoreview sidewalk project.
4. MnDOT will be adding an additional lane on 694 between Rice Street and Lexington. They are also looking at rebuilding the Rice Street Bridge. He will be participating with all the other area Mayors in support of this issue.

5. We will be working with surrounding communities regarding reducing railroad crossing noise, especially early in the morning.
6. On June 15, 2015, the Hwy 96 and 35W Bridge will be closed.

Administrative Report

1. Approve Forestry Report

Administrator Robertson reviewed the report.

Councilmember Long made a motion to approve the forestry report, with a second from Councilmember Ross. The motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Reports

1. Discussion on waiving insurance liability limits

City Attorney Magnuson recommended to not waive the liability limits.

Councilmember Nelson made a motion not to waive the limits, with a second from Councilmember Ross. The motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous

Next Natural Resource Commission Meeting, June 18 2015 @ 7:00 pm in the Community Meeting Room

Next Regularly Scheduled Planning Commission Meeting, June 25, 2015 @ 7:00 pm in the Community Meeting Room

Next Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting, July 9, 2015 @ 7:30 pm in the Community Meeting Room

Adjournment

On motion duly made by Councilmember Ross, seconded by Councilmember Kingston and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Attest:

Respectfully Submitted

Mayor Michael Egelston

Kathy A. Laur
Recording Secretary