

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 4, 2018

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Windschitl at 7 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Present: Councilmembers Schulz, Boe, Rohe, Geisler, and Mayor Windschitl.
Absent:

Also Present: Nate Kabat, Assistant Administrator and Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator.

4. Adopt the Agenda

Assistant Administrator Kabat noted Agenda Item 7H was removed from the agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Geisler to adopt the agenda as presented, with the removal of Item 7H.

Motion carried.

5. Visitor

Jenny Bodurka from Minnetonka Community Education presented information for the Tour de Tonka event on August 4, 2018. She reviewed statistics of the 2017 event and gave details for how the 2018 event will look.

Councilmember Boe stated that it is a fun event and he is looking forward to participating again. He commented that it is nice it is for all ages.

The Council wished Ms. Bodurka good luck on this event.

Fire Chief Wiebe introduced two new fire inspectors, Zac Bonnema and Travis Lindberg, and gave the Council a brief history of their work history, including the fact that they were Chaska Fire Explorers. He stated that they will be helping with day time response. Fire Marshall Gravalin stated that these two men were hired out of a pool of ten applicants and commented on how fortunate the Fire Department is to have them on board. He mentioned that currently there are 2600 rentals with a potential for another 1000, so the addition of these two fire inspectors will be very helpful.

Councilmember Geisler stated she was glad they were doing the inspections for sheer safety.

The Council welcomed Mr. Bonnema and Mr. Lindberg.

Fire Chief Wiebe stated they now have the staff to do follow-ups and inspections are the key to keeping the community safe.

Mayor Windschitl agreed with the importance of the follow-up and commented how staggering the number of rentals is.

Fire Chief Wiebe stated that single-family type rentals rather than multi-tenant rentals are where most of the work is.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated that this, along with the Code Compliance work the City is doing, will help residents see how the City is addressing these issues.

Fire Chief Wiebe mentioned that the hope with these additional rental inspectors is that the Fire Marshall can get out to the business communities and the industrial parks.

Fire Chief Wiebe stated how proud he and Fire Marshall Gravalin are to have these two men join the team and mentioned they are both Chaska residents. Pictures were then taken.

6. Minutes

Due to technical difficulties, transcription of the previous meeting minutes was delayed and will be considered at a future meeting.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Geisler, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through H:

- A. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-72, Awarding the Bid for the 2018 Downtown Reconstruction Project
Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2018-72 awarding the bid for the 2018 Downtown Reconstruction Project to Ryan Contracting, in the low bid total amount of \$1,948,427.50.
- B. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-73, Approving the Premises Permit Application for the Chaska Lions Club
Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2018-73 approving the premises permit Application for the Chaska Lions Club, to conduct lawful/charitable gambling at Willy McCoy's.
- C. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-74, Approving Transient Permit for Carver County Farmer's Market
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-74 approving Transient Permit TRA.18-05 for Carver County Farmer's Market, located at 600 East 4th Street, Chaska, valid June 20, 2018 through October 31, 2018.
- D. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-75, Approving Solicitor Permit for Aptive Environmental
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-75, approving Solicitor Permit No. SOL.18-37 for the Chase Moray of Aptive Environmental, located at 5251 West 73rd Street, Unit C, Edina, Minnesota, 55439, for the period of June 4, 2018, through September 30, 2018.
- E. Approve Budget Amendment-CSO Code Compliance Officers
Motion to approve amendment to 2018 Budget to allow for the addition of an enhanced Code Compliance Program, with the budget specifically being amended as follows:
 - a) Revenue: \$65,000 reallocation of dollars from the Fire Department to the Police Department (unused dollars from new Rental

Inspector positions) \$10,000 addition to the Gas Franchise Fee

b) Expenditures: \$55,000 addition of 2 FTE Community Service Officers (new)

\$15,000 increasing current .5 FTE to 1 FTE CSO

F. Authorize Letter of Support: Carver County CDA-School Dist. 112 Housing Partnership
Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter supporting the Carver County CDA's housing partnership with School District 112

G. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-76, Approving TH 41 Signal Maintenance Agreement
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-63 approving the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation And City of Chaska And Carver County Traffic Control Signal Maintenance Agreement for the Pioneer Trail/TH 41 and Hundertmark Road/TH41 Signal Systems.

~~H. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-77, Approving the Premises Permit Application for Chaska Chamhassen Hockey Association.~~

Motion carried.

8. Public Hearing: Letter of Intent-Par 30 Golf Course Partnership with Learning Links
City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl referred to an email from a concerned citizen and commented that City Administrator Podhradsky did a good job explaining this is a letter of intent, nothing is happening at this point, and there would likely be a public process moving forward. He stated this is an opportunity for Chaska to do something out of the box and would be a great partnership.

City Administrator Podhradsky pointed out that whether or not they have a partnership like this, they have to put money back into the course. This would be additive to what already has to be done and would be a community benefit.

Community Geisler inquired about Tim Anderson, the golf pro there, having a North Carolina address but a Minnesota phone number.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated that Mr. Anderson leaves for North Carolina in the winter.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated this has been an iterative process and he thinks doing it at Par-30 rather than Hazeltine is a better option for the community as it leverages both of these resources and helps meet the Learning Links' goal of making golf more accessible to everyone.

Councilmember Geisler reiterated that it would be the first opportunity like this in the country.

City Administrator Podhradsky explained there are other golf courses that do things to accommodate people with special needs, but this would be the first one designed to do so from the ground up and is also beneficial to the current patrons (juniors and seniors).

Mayor Windschitl asked if they would redesign the surface of the course to make it firmer.

John Kellen, Chaska Golf Course, explained that as it is currently very boggy over there, the handicap accessible vehicles would have a very difficult time. He stated the physical detail improvements haven't been solidified but peat would be brought out and dirt brought in to make it a much firmer surface.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated the wet conditions are problematic for the current patrons as well.

Councilmember Geisler likened this opportunity to Miracle Field.

City Administrator Podhradsky agreed and stated it is great to make sports that aren't immediately accessible to everyone become accessible.

Councilmember Boe expressed his excitement that a whole new group of people would be introduced to golf.

Mayor Windschitl clarified that the carts would be provided.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated that they would. He also mentioned they have to spend money at Par-30 anyway, and he believes it would be wrong to spend money and get the same result.

Mayor Windschitl stated that fix ups could be done to issues like drainage, but they would not be able to do to the course what this opportunity will allow them to do.

Councilmember Geisler commented they want the facility to support itself and it is not going that way.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated that it does support itself operationally and has a current operational budget of \$175,000 per year, but they generate as much as they spend. He noted the real issue is not how to pay for the operations in a given year but how to make improvements. He said they are not generating enough to put away anything to be spent on improvements.

Mayor Windschitl stated the maintenance guy mentions the drainage issue a lot.

Councilmember Boe commented that there are a lot of opportunities for discussion as this moves forward.

Mayor Windschitl reiterated that this is basically saying that the Council likes the concept and to keep moving.

Councilmember Geisler added that the public will be brought into the process at some point as well.

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Geisler to approve the proposed Letter of Intent between the City of Chaska and Learning Links, authorizing the Mayor and City Administrator to enter into the LOI on behalf of the City of Chaska. Motion carried.

9. Bills

Motion by Councilmember Geisler, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the bills as presented. Roll call was taken. Voting aye: Councilmembers Boe, Geisler, and Mayor Windschitl. Voting nay: None
Motion carried.

10. Other Business

A. City Administrator's Biweekly Report – Received

Councilmember Geisler:

- Noted that pedestrians are not crossing at the HAWK System at HWY 41 and County Road 61. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that this happens all throughout downtown and the only thing the City can do is provide a safe way for pedestrians to cross and if they choose not to take it there is nothing the City can do. Mayor Windschitl commented that he has seen this too and there is no way to stop it. City Administrator Podhradsky mentioned that he is really pleased with the way it works. Councilmember Geisler encouraged residents to cross using the HAWK system.

City Administrator Podhradsky:

- Pointed out that in the biweekly there is discussion on body camera policy. He stated that most suburban police departments in the Twin Cities are looking at policies for body camera use. He explained that the policy being looked at is close to what other suburban police departments are using and one that the League of Minnesota Cities has had a chance to look at. He stated that State statute requires cities to go through a public input process and that staff is suggesting to do a pilot program before jumping in to a program. He reported the City received approval to get a year-free trial of body cameras for the upcoming year. Staff would like to use this time period to run a pilot study and see if it is something the City should move forward with in the future. He explained that before the pilot study can be done a public hearing needs to be held based on State statute to take any public comment on the use of body cameras. He referred all questions regarding this to himself. Mayor Windschitl looked to clarify that this would need to be done prior to the pilot study. City Administrator Podhradsky responded that public input process must be done prior to the pilot study. Mayor Windschitl inquired of the timing for starting this. City Administrator Podhradsky suggested having a public hearing on it

at the next meeting or the first meeting in July. He mentioned they'd like to get through developing a policy draft to get the word out as well as speaking with twelve different citizen groups and getting their feedback before bringing it back for a public hearing. Councilmember Geisler inquired if advanced public hearing publishing was two weeks or three weeks. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that it is ten days and that staff wants to get out proper notice so residents know this is being discussed. He also spoke of the benefit of doing a pilot study prior to jumping in to a program. He stated that Chaska has a dash camera system, and this body camera policy is what a lot of other departments are now adding. Mayor Windschitl inquired if these turn on immediately. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that Scott will be here to explain it and that the purpose of the public meeting to have all of this explained. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that this is one of those things that seems simple on the surface but is actually quite complex. Councilmember Geisler commented that the League of Minnesota Cities has put time into this and worked with other cities that have already implemented it that the policy has probably gotten better and better. Mayor Windschitl agreed that the League of Minnesota Cities probably has a solid policy for this. City Administrator Podhradsky noted that the City of Burnsville implemented this very early and mentioned that he believes most residents would think that Chaska already has body cameras because transparency with policing services has become more of an expectation for residents. Councilmember Geisler stated that it would not only be a benefit for the police but also for the resident. City Administrator Podhradsky agreed. Mayor Windschitl clarified that nothing needs to be done until it comes forward. City Administrator Podhradsky stated he wanted to inform the Council that this is coming up and explained that storage for this system is a huge issue, and that now that they use Cloud Base, it helps, but this would still be a struggle. The physical storage and cost of it are things taken into consideration because the more data saved, the more it costs. Mayor Windschitl agreed and mentioned that one wrongful thing could cost a lot of money and proof one way or the other cuts that out. City Administrator Podhradsky agreed and stated there are pros and cons to this and educating the public of this and getting feedback is necessary. He commented that the pilot will hopefully give the City a chance to learn prior to implementation if it moves that way. City Administrator Podhradsky explained there will be a process for learning to use the system and other factors that go in to this. Mayor Windschitl inquired if they would hear more about this in July. City Administrator Podhradsky stated it would be one of the next two meetings.

- Noted there will not be a City Council Meeting on July 2, 2018.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Noted that the Memorial Day Services were very well done.
- Pointed out that the flags on HWY 212 look awesome and thanked the person who does that.
- Mentioned the Legion Commander, Steve NaSalle, talked to him about the banners and inquired if staff are comfortable about doing that project. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that he will follow up with him.
- Commented that Veteran's Park will not likely make the July 4th deadline. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that they ran into a lot of delays this spring but will certainly get it done this summer.
- Noted that Carver County again got ranked first as the happiest county.

- Asked City Administrator Podhradsky to check into the sprinkler system at Fireman's Park. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that there is an issue with the irrigation system and that some have had to be run manually. He stated he will check in to it. Mayor Windschitl commented that the City just spent \$140,00 in pumps there. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that is why the contractor is coming back.
- Noted that Fishing for Friends was last Saturday and there was a good turnout and stated that they might put a monetary piece on to it, but that it was a great program. He stated that the DNR mentioned they might start netting to get some fish out and they are stocking bass to start eating the smaller fish.
- Explained there had been some issues with the sound quality and that he has been told that has been fixed.
- Stated a business had inquired if the alley between 2nd and 3rd on the eastside is being redone. City Administrator Podhradsky responded that he did not believe it was this summer as it needs to be tied together with the parking improvements there, but he would make sure. He stated that utilities will be buried there.
- Inquired if there is policy for how long dumpster bags can sit before getting picked up. City Administrator Podhradsky reported that the ordinance probably does address this and he can check into it. He stated that staff will go through ordinances first before going into code compliance. He agreed that many citizens likely think the total cost is \$30 and they don't realize it is \$150 to haul it away. Councilmember Geisler inquired about having a clean up day. Mayor Windschitl stated that this was a big project for a city the size of Chaska and that he had a hard time with that. Councilmember Geisler stated that she has a hard time with people leaving them out or storing them outside. Councilmember Boe stated that the Environmental Center does not take furniture, and that most things can go to the Recycle Center.
- Thanked Representative Hoppe for his work and stated that he has been very helpful for his district.

Mark Gross with Formacoat addressed the Council and asked them to let him know if he is missing things and thought there was supposed to be an approval. Mayor Windschitl stated that was coming up in the Economic Development Meeting after this Council Meeting.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Geisler to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm.

Motion carried.