

City of Gem Lake City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
Gem Lake City Hall, 4200 Otter Lake Road, Gem Lake, Minnesota

Mayor Uzpen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers Artig-Swomley, Bosak, Kuny and Lindner were present. Others in attendance: Justin Gese, S.E.H.; Todd Hagen, Ehlers; Tom Kelly, City Finance; Graham Corwin, Victoria Johnson and Carol Schacht, students and resident.

April 21, 2015, Agenda

Upon motion by the Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, the Agenda was approved by 5-0 vote.

Minutes March 17, 2015

Upon motion by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, seconded by Councilmember Lindner the minutes were approved with one change on page 1, March 17, 2015, Agenda, was seconded by Councilmember Bosak. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

Newsletter Update

Possible articles about the library opening, resident clean up Deanna Tangwell, Arcand, new resident interview, water timeline for businesses, fire escrow resolution, MS4. Councilmember Kuny asked about formatting the newsletter for ease of reading on iPhone.

Public Hearing – Hansen Investment LLC renewal of gardening permit (Tom Hansen)

The public hearing was opened at 7:17 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:18 p.m. No comments were received during the hearing. Attorney Kelly has asked the property owners to post a no hunting sign which has yet to take place, gunshots have been heard in the area in the fall. This is a safety concern for the city. A motion was made by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, seconded by Councilmember Bosak to grant the renewal of the permit. A vote was taken, four yes votes, Councilmember Kuny abstained due to possible conflict of interest. Motion passed.

New Business

Fire Escrow Resolution 2015-02

Motion was made by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to continue discussions on the Fire Escrow Resolution that began at the March 17, 2015, City Council meet and was tabled to the April meeting. Motion was made by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, seconded by

Councilmember Kuny to table Resolution 2015—02 until more information is received from City Attorney Kelly and clarification of the mechanics of the fire escrow process. Motion passed.

Water Crossing Feasibility – Resolution 2015-03

A motion was made by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to amend the feasibility study dated March 17, 2015, to include the businesses north of County Road E on Scheuneman Road and on County Road E West of Scheuneman Road to Highway 61. Motion passed.

Discussion with S.E.H. on Public Meeting on Water Project

Justin Gese from S.E.H. updated the Council on the Water Project Extension Project. The next issue of the city newsletter will update residents on the project noting the May 14, 2015, Neighborhood Meeting.

Resolution 2015-04 – For the Presale of Gem Lake Bonds/Presale Report

Todd Haugen from Ehlers updated the Council on the processes. A motion was made by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to proceed. Motion passed. Mr. Haugen will be at the May 19th, 2015, City Council meeting to update the Council.

Resolution 2015-05- Intent to Reimburse Water Project Expenditures

A motion was made by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, seconded by Councilmember Bosak, motion passed 5-0.

Claims for April, 2015

Motion by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Bosak, claims were approved for April, 2015.

Presentations by the Public/Updates

Councilmember Kuny reported that she had received a phone call from Fritz Magnuson about the North Suburban Cable Commission agreement and what the status is of our franchise agreement. Mayor Uzpen will contact City Attorney Kelly for an update.

The May 11th, 2015, City Council Workshop has been cancelled. There will be a special meeting of the Gem Lake City Council on May 12th, 2015, to deal with the request of Mr. Ramos to open an auto detail shop.

Adjournment

There being no further business upon motion by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley, Mayor Uzpen adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Gloria Tessier.