

City of Gem Lake
City Council Meeting – September 20, 2016
Meeting Minutes

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., Nate Fair, Beth and Tom Hansen, Patrick Kelly, City Attorney, Ron Leaf, S.E.H., Kevin Muramatsu, Brad Naylor, Len Pratt, Terry Soukkala and Ty Sheridan.

September 20, 2016, Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Bosak, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to approve the agenda for September 20, 2016, motion passed. Agenda approved.

Minutes

Councilmember Artig-Swomley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Lindner to approve the minutes for August 23, 2016, minutes approved, motion passed.

Minutes – Planning Commission

Councilmember Artig-Swomley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Bosak to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes for August 2, 2016, motion passed. Minutes approved.

Committee Reports

None.

Old Business

Newsletter ideas –2017 budget, MS4, update on moratorium, Lundy secret garden wedding, Sheriff report, CERT program, elections?

Public Hearing

MS 4 Report

Mayor Uzpen called the public hearing at 7:24 p.m. for public comment, no comments, hearing closed at 7:26 p.m.

New Business

MS 4 Report – Resolution 2016-11 approval of MS4 Report

Ron Leaf, S. E. H., updated the council on the MS4 program. The city should expect an audit by the MPCA within the next 1 – 3 years. A motion was made by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to pass Resolution 2016-11, MS4 report. Seconded by Councilmember Lindner. Motion passed.

Ramsey County Sheriff's Department discussion on needs and 2017 budget

Terry Soukkala, Undersheriff for the Ramsey County Sheriff's Department gave an overview of the Sheriff's Department, budget projections and community outreach.

Approve Contract with Waste Management for Recycling

Councilmember Artig-Swomley made a motion to approve the recycling contract with Waste Management, seconded by Councilmember Lindner. Motion passed.

Discuss S.E.H. Project plan for 2018 Comp Plan

Council discussed the proposed budget for the 2018 Comp Plan. Suggested that the council play a bigger role to cut costs. The Council agreed that the December 12, 2016, City Council workshop, will be devoted to the 2018 Comp Plan. The Council also agreed to have any comments, questions or agenda items to Mr. Gese by Friday, November 4th, in order to plan for the workshop.

Gem Lake Sewage Treatment Ordinance (67D)

Attorney Kelly's office drafted a new sewage treatment ordinance formatted using the City of Maplewood's ordinance that was passed in 2014. A motion was made by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Artig-Swomley to forward the proposed Gem Lake Sewage Treatment Ordinance (67D) to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) for their review. Motion passed.

Claims for September, 2016

A motion was made by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Bosak to approve the claims for September, 2016. Motion passed. Noted that \$2,500.00 is currently in the gambling fund, discussed possible donations, agreed to make a donation to the White Bear Lake Food Shelf.

Monthly Financial Reports

Approved.

Presentations from the Public

Nathan Fair, asked for update on the moratorium, handled out a new proposed development for the Hansen property on County Road E. Noted Landmark has an outstanding bill of \$12,000 to the City of Gem Lake. Kevin Muramatsu, Village Pine Custom Gunsmithing asked about a zoning ordinance amendment.

Open Items for Councilmembers to bring up

Councilmember Lindner's work group will be meeting twice a month, working on a land use ordinance and are making progress.

Brad Naylor, citizen, would like to apply to be on the Planning Commission. An application will be emailed to Mr. Naylor.

Mayor Uzpen suggested that city look into buying the property on Goose Lake Road that is for sale for a park. Tabled discussion and will add to October, 2016, City Council meeting agenda.

Next Meetings

City of Gem Lake Workshop, Monday, October 11, 7:00 p.m. – cancelled

Next City Council meeting, Tuesday, October 18, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Being there no further business, following a motion by Councilmember Lindner, seconded by Councilmember Bosak, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Gloria Tessier