

# City of Greenwood – City Council Meeting

Greenwood City Council Chambers  
20225 Cottagewood Road Deephaven, MN 55331  
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Wednesday, August 6, 2008

7:00 p.m.

## APPROVED MINUTES

### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Newman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Council present: Sagal, Hill, Newman and Quam

Council absent: none

Staff present: Attorney Kelly and Clerk Whipple

### 2. Approve Consent Agenda

Councilmember Quam moved and Councilmember Sagal seconded approval of the consent agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

### 3. Approve Agenda

Councilmember Hill moved to approve the agenda. Second by Councilmember Sagal. Motion carried 4-0

### 4. Matters from the floor

none

### 5. Dick Osgood – Lake Minnetonka Association (LMA)

Mr. Osgood reported on the “Milfoil-Free Minnetonka” campaign. 3 bays, Phelps, Carman, and Grays were treated in May to control Milfoil and Curly Leaf Pondweed. The results of the treatments are promising. Aquatic invasive species (AIS) continue to be a threat to all lakes.

It’s important to drain live wells and remove vegetation from your boat and trailer before leaving the boat launch. Early detection and education is key to preventing the spread of vegetation and AIS. The objective of milfoil treatments is to not only to control milfoil but also allow native plants to grow.

Private contributions can be collected by the LMA if residents want to treat an area of the lake.

### 6. Lake Minnetonka Conservation District Report (LMCD)

Kelsey Page reported on the Eurasian Milfoil harvesting. Harvesting started late and the harvest is down from prior years. He felt the milfoil treatment is noticeably effective in Gray’s Bay but reminded the Council that these were only ‘trials’.

July 18 movie night on Big Island was a successful event. Wayzata Yacht Club expansion was approved. Sheriff’s report noted there were 20 alcohol or drug related boating arrests between May 4 and June 26 and 10 theft reports.

The City of Deephaven proposed naming an alternate to represent a City. The State Statute does not allow for an alternate. The LMCD will not meet in August.

### 7. Planning Commission Report

A. Report: John Beal gave the Planning Commission report. At the July 16 meeting, the PC approved the Stefan variance, denied the Schmitt variance for a commercial building, and made no decision on the request for a sign at the St. Albans Boathouse Restaurant as no one from the restaurant was in attendance.

B. Stefan Resolution #13-08

Motion by Councilmember Sagal to approve resolution #13-08 with conditions, approving the application of Scott and Peggy Stefan for a variance to the maximum permitted impervious surface area.

Attorney Kelly reviewed the resolution.

Second by Councilmember Quam. For the record, Mayor Newman stated that hardship related to the design is irrelevant. Motion carried 4-0

C. Schmitt Commercial building variance request.

The Planning Commission noted that the applicant had failed to submit the required information to permit a comprehensive review of the project in a timely manner and therefore, voted to deny the variance request. There was considerable discussion and an understanding was reached that the he could apply for variances sequentially and they could be approved subject to a satisfactory run off plan. The Council agreed to Mr.

Schmitt's request for an extension until October 15, 2008, to prepare a complete proposal for the Planning Commission.

\*\*The Council recessed at 8:26 – 8:31

D. First Reading of Massing Ordinance #159

Planning Commission member John Beal presented the massing ordinance review in a Power Point presentation.

\*\* The Council recessed at 9:10 – 9:15

Keith Stuessi 5000 Meadville commended the Planning Commission on their good work.

He recommended the Council adopted the ordinance 'pretty much as-is'. He also felt the Planning Commission should look at small lots that are already massively non-conforming.

Sandy Sevey 4926 Meadville thanked the Planning Commission for crafting such a workable plan. She urged the Council to adopt this ordinance.

Mayor Newman and Councilmember Sagal thanked the Planning Commission for their work and their willingness to make changes when suggestions were made.

Motion by Councilmember Hill to approve the first reading of Ordinance #159 with the condition of parenthesis being added on page 15 subdivision 3, paragraphs 2 & 3 as previously discussed.

Motion carried 4-0.

## 8. Old Business

A. Recycle contracts

Representatives from Waste Management and Vintage Waste were present to answer any questions the Council had regarding their recycling proposals. Councilmember Quam stated that a decision on the recycling contract should be made tonight. Both vendors offered proposals with smaller trucks. One of the key points for the Council was that weekly recycle service be continued.

Councilmember Quam moved to award the recycling contract to Vintage Waste as per their contract dated 7/28/08. Councilmember Hill offered a second with discussion. Attorney Kelly will review the contract. Motion carried 4-0

B. Assessment Study

As the Council received the needs assessment study this evening and did not have time to review it, there will be no discussion this evening.

C. 1. 2009 Excelsior Fire District Budget

Councilmember Hill moved to approve the 2009 Excelsior Fire District Budget of \$1,481,832.00. Second by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 4-0

2. 2009 South Lake Minnetonka Police Department Budget

Greenwood approved the police budget at the July, 2008 Council meeting. Shorewood did not approve the 9.5 % increase over 2008, but did not offer any recommendations to reduce the budget.

Councilmember Sagal moved to reaffirm Greenwood's previous commitment to the 2009 South Lake Minnetonka Police Department budget. Second by Councilmember Quam Motion carried 4-0

D. 2009 City of Greenwood Budget

Clerk Whipple was notified by the State of MN that there would be no LGA in 2009.

A Storm Water Management Program must be in place for the Comp Plan. The Met Council is offering a zero interest loan to cover the costs of a Storm Water Management Plan. Councilmember Sagal believed the City paid for a Storm Water Management Plan

5 years ago.

Councilmember Quam moved to authorize the City Clerk to make a request for bids on the Storm Water Management Program, if the City has not already paid for such a plan.

Second by Councilmember Sagal. Motion carried 4-0

1. Councilmember Quam moved to approve a \$75,000 transfer from the general fund to the road fund. Second by Hill Motion carried 4-0

2. Councilmember Sagal moved to approve a \$20,100 transfer from the marina fund to the general fund. Second by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 4-0

E. Lift Station Funding Approval

Motion by Councilmember Quam to table lift station funding discussion until the September 2, 2008 City Council meeting. Second by Councilmember Sagal.

Motion carried 4-0

9. New Business

A. Approve Resolution #12-08, approving election judges for the September 9, Primary

Motion by Councilmember Quam to approve Resolution #12-08. Second by Councilmember Hill. Motion carried 4-0

B. Review Tree Ordinance

Mayor Newman felt compliance and enforcement of the ordinance is difficult. Motion by Councilmember Sagal to authorize the Planning Commission to review the tree ordinance.

Second by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 4-0

10. Reports

A. Mayor: The Southshore Center's viability for Senior use is still being discussed.

There is a retirement Open House for SLMPD Sergeant Mark Erickson on August 28.

B. Attorney: Mr. Kelly plans to attend the Open House for Sergeant Erickson.

C. Clerk: Clerk Whipple mentioned that absentee balloting begins August 8, and Council filings begin August 26. The Primary Election is at the Old Log Theater on Tuesday, September 9 from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. There will be an ICA food drive at the Old Log while the polls are open. Be patient when voting – we are in a small space and the elections judges can not be rushed.

D. Sagal: Councilmember Sagal and Gus Karpas have met with Mr. Doty regarding some tree issues. Hennepin County had marked some buck thorn trees for removal but it's unclear when they will be cut. Sagal will talk to Chief Litsey about animal control

E. Hill: He was pleased with how the web site looks but we need to get the City Ordinances on-line. There will be no Fire Board meeting in August. The Chief's review will begin soon.

F. Quam: Tour De Tonka was successful and raised money for the ICA food shelf. The work on Weeks road is nearly done except for some curbing. Minnetonka Blvd. seal coating should begin this week. Pineview, Kings Court, & Queen's Circle will be done in the next couple days. There will be patching on Meadville and Covington.

11. Adjourn

Councilmember Hill moved to adjourn at 10:47. Second by Councilmember Quam

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Whipple  
City Clerk / Administrator

