

**Greenwood City Council  
Worksession Minutes**

6:00 pm, Tuesday, September 3, 2014  
Deephaven City Hall ~ 20225 Cottagewood Avenue ~ Deephaven, MN 55331

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Approval Agenda

Mayor Kind called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Council members present: Cook (6:04), Fletcher, Quam and Roy (6:17)  
Others present: City Clerk Karpas

Cook moved to approve the agenda. Second by Fletcher. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Discuss 2015 Budget

Mayor Kind explained that the Council would be adopting its preliminary levy tonight based on the budget under discussion. She said once the preliminary levy is set, it cannot go up, though it can be reduced when the final levy is approved at the December council meeting.

The Council discussed future road-related projects, including the previously discussed drainage project by Greenwoods on the Lake, and how they would be funded.

There were no changes in the preliminary budget.

The Council discussed Ordinance 240, amending the fees the city charges. Mayor Kind outlined the previously discussed fee changes and asked if there were any additional changes. Councilmember Cook asked about the dock fees and the strategy behind the incremental increases the city has been doing the last number of years. Mayor Kind said research was done in 2009 to obtain the average cost of municipal docks in the south lake area (approximately \$1400). The increase was \$100 annually until the proposed 2015 budget when it was reduced to \$50 because the city is coming closer to being more in line with the 2009 average. It was agreed that new research should be completed to determine the current average.

Councilmember Fletcher discussed the Excelsior Fire District (EFD) budget. He said Tonka Bay and Deephaven Councils voted against the budget even though their representatives voted for it at the Board level. Mayor Kind said she's reviewed the budget and has some questions herself. She expressed concerns about the need for a part-time fire inspector and excessive reserves. Fletcher said the higher reserves could cover any unexpected pension costs.

3. Adjournment

Quam moved to adjourn. Second by Cook. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Gus Karpas  
City Clerk