

City of Greenwood – City Council Minutes
Greenwood City Council Chambers
20225 Cottagewood Road Deephaven MN 55331
952-474-6633
Tuesday, April 1, 2008
7:00 p.m.

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Newman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Council present: Sagal, Hill, Newman, Quam
Council absent: Scharf
Staff present: Attorney Kelly and Clerk Whipple
Staff absent: none

2. Approve Consent Agenda

Councilmember Quam asked to pull the March minutes from the consent agenda.
Councilmember Hill moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Councilmember Sagal. Motion carried 4-0

3. March 2008 Minutes

Councilmember Quam suggested a clarification to the March minutes, 8B.
The City Council did not approve the curb cut to Excelsior Blvd., but rather approved that the City Attorney draft an ordinance to be considered by the Planning Commission in conformance with the petition. The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing for comments and the curb cut request will be sent back to the Council for consideration. Councilmember Quam moved to approve the March minutes as amended. Councilmember Hill offered a second. Motion carried 4-0

4. Approve Agenda

Mayor Newman added two items to the agenda 7D fire lane report and 8D dock plan fees.
Councilmember Hill moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 4-0

5. Matters from the Floor

none

6. LMCD Report

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District representative, Kelsey Page, reviewed the proceedings of the two March meetings. Highlights included: the City of Mound variance was approved, the Lake Minnetonka Association's weed treatment plan is being honed, there was a quiet waters request for the Cedar Point Channel with no action taken, there was an ordinance amendment to the language in section 202 of the LMCD code regarding number of boats at a site, the LMCD has received a \$9500 grant from the Department of Natural Resources, the LMCD is proposing that the Cannings have a surveyor set markets for their dock placement, and the contract for the '08 ILIDS program was reviewed.

7. Planning Commission

A. Report

Ordinance 1140.45 was reviewed for the new language regarding curb cuts. The sign ordinance was updated to address new technology. The public hearings for those items is April 16, 2008. The massing ordinance is moving forward with the PC calculating the cubic volume of 35 Greenwood homes; they have completed calculations for 9 homes. The PC hopes to have a public hearing in May, on the massing ordinance and Council review at the June 3, meeting.

B. Massing Discussion

Mayor Newman asked the Council to name a date for a work session to keep the massing ordinance ball rolling. Sunday, April 6, was tentatively named as the date, with the time to be determined later.

8. Old Business

A. Siren Placement

Councilmember Sagal and Clerk Whipple will meet with the siren installer on Wednesday, April, 2, at 9:00 to review the site on the west side of the Georgetown Manor apartments.

B. Comprehensive Plan

The Comprehensive Plan is still a work in progress. It needs to be sent to neighboring Cities for review by June 1, 2008. The Met Council is not issuing extensions this year and they must have it by December 31, 2008.

C. Lift Station

Councilmember Hill moved for the City of Greenwood to assume ownership of the lift station at Byron Circle from the St. Albans Townhomes. Second by Councilmember Quam

Motion carried 4-0

D. Fire Lane

There was discussion on blocking the Meadville fire lane for access to Lake Minnetonka during the winter. No action was taken.

9. New Business

A. Mayor Newman reviewed the Council assignments. Preliminary numbers are due at the June Council meeting.

B. A new vendor has made application to haul trash in Greenwood. Councilmember Hill moved to approve the trash haulers application for Vintage Waste Systems, Inc. Second by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 4-0

C. The Council reviewed City fees. Councilmember Quam moved to increase the sewer connection fee to \$50 effective immediately. Second by Councilmember Sagal.

Motion carried 4-0.

Councilmember Quam moved to increase the load limit fees to \$25 per round trip effective immediately. Second by Councilmember Sagal. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Dock Fees

Neighboring communities will be polled to learn what they are charging for boat slip leases.

10. Reports

A. Mayor: Buckthorn trimming should begin soon. There has been good feedback on the tree-trimming by Asplundh.

B. Clerk: A volunteer is needed to coordinate the Fourth of July parade.

C. Attorney: Updates are being drafted to address the sign ordinance. He will update the comprehensive plan once the Council has reviewed it and the massing ordinance is a work in progress.

D. Administration: nothing

E. Animal Control: nothing

F. Appeals & Equalization: The council will have a pre-board meeting with the Hennepin County Assessors at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9, 2008, preceeding the 7:00 Board of Review and Equalization meeting. Contact the Hennepin Co Assessor's FIRST then contact City Hall to get on the roster. Final Council review will be Tuesday May 6, prior to the Council meeting.

G. Docks: Clerk Whipple reported that there was no turnover in the dock slips this year.

H. Fire: Councilmember Hill reported on the March 19th fire board meeting. He complimented Chief on his report, 2007 Year in Review. The truck committee reviewed bids on replacing rescue truck #24 which will be delivered in 2009. On April 23 there will be a capital improvement work session.

I. LMCC: There will be a presentation on the 'fiber to home' study at a later date.

J. MCES: Manhole inspection will begin once the weather warms up. Councilmember Quam is meeting with the Engineer this Thursday to review road conditions.

K. Parks: nothing

L. Planning Commission: nothing

M. Recycling: nothing

N. Roads: nothing additional

O. Technology: nothing

P. Trees: nothing

Councilmember Quam stated he'd received information from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency warning against burning buckthorn as serious toxins are released into the air. He suggested the Mayor take over the file. Upon opening the file, the Mayor was greeted with an "April Fools" note.

11. Adjourn

Councilmember Hill moved to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Second by Councilmember Quam.
Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Whipple
Greenwood City Clerk/ Administrator