

MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA
MAY 26, 2015

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the second meeting of the City Council of the City of La Crescent for the month of May was called to order by Mayor Mike Poellinger at 5:30 PM in the La Crescent City Hall, La Crescent, Minnesota, on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon a roll call taken and tallied by the City Administrator, the following members were present: Members Bernie Buehler, Ryan Hutchinson, Brian Krenz, Dale Williams and Mayor Mike Poellinger. Members absent: None. Also present was City Administrator Bill Waller and City Attorney Skip Wieser.

Mayor Poellinger asked if anyone wished to take action to change the agenda as presented. There were no changes requested.

ITEM 1 – CONSENT AGENDA

At this time, the Mayor read the following items to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda, including additional bills, for this regular meeting:

- 1.1 MINUTES – MAY 11, 2015
- 1.2 BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH MAY 21, 2015
- 1.3 CASH BALANCE/ACTIVITY REPORT – APRIL 2015
- 1.4 LIBRARY REPORT – APRIL 2015

At the conclusion of the reading of the Consent Agenda, Mayor Poellinger asked if the Council wished to have any of the items removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Member Buehler made a motion, seconded by Member Krenz, as follows:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, all Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.1 – EMERGENCY SIREN REPLACEMENT

City Police Chief Stavenau reviewed with City Council the discovery of the siren at Abnet Field not working at the time of the April monthly test. Inspection revealed the siren has suffered a significant mechanical failure. The City's attempt for an insurance claim to cover the unexpected expense of replacement has been denied. The Emergency Service Department's budget is limited to cover the cost of replacement. A bid from Federal

Signal Corporation in the amount of \$15,150.00 for a comparable replacement siren was reviewed. It was recommended to City Council to authorize replacement of the siren, to accept the proposed bid and to amend the 2013 capital equipment certificate to reflect this expense. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Buehler, as follows:

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SIREN AT ABNET FIELD, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY FEDERAL SIGNAL CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,150.00 FOR A COMPARABLE REPLACEMENT SIREN AND TO AMEND THE 2013 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATE TO REFLECT THIS EXPENSE.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, all Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.2 – TENNIS COURT BID RESULTS

City Administrator Waller reviewed with City Council the tennis court project and the site plan from the City's Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan, along with the bids received. The total of the bids for the tennis courts is \$324,178.04 and it was recommended to Council to not accept the deduct in fence by going to a galvanized fence rather than the vinyl coated fence. The City's 2011 Recreational Facility Bond included approximately \$225,000 for this project. In addition, the City has secured a \$30,000.00 grant from the United States Tennis Association (USTA) to be applied to the project costs. The balance in the 2011 Recreational Facility Capital Bond project is approximately \$320,000. This does not include the funds from the USTA and in addition to the construction costs there will also be engineering costs, both for design and construction administration. Based on this, there are adequate funds available to construct the project. It was recommended to City Council to accept the engineer's recommendation and proceed with the project. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Buehler, as follows:

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD CONTRACTS TO WINONA MECHANICAL, RENNER SPORTS SURFACES AND POELLINGER ELECTRIC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$324,178.04.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, all Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.3 – EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION

City Council reviewed Patty Nedegaard’s resignation letter as bookkeeper for the City of La Crescent effective June 3, 2015. It was recommended to Council to accept the resignation, and authorize that the position be advertised. Following discussion, Member Krenz made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson, as follows:

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF PATTY NEDEGAARD AS BOOKKEEPER FOR THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT EFFECTIVE JUNE 3, 2015 AND TO AUTHORIZE THAT THE POSITION BE ADVERTISED AS BOTH BOOKKEEPER/ACCOUNTANT AND ALSO THAT IT BE UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WILL BE A NEED TO HIRE TEMPORARY HELP TO COVER THE TRANSITION.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.4 – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BIDS

City Administrator Waller reviewed with City Council that the bids were opened on May 21 for the 2015 local street improvement project. The bids came in higher than the budget. It was recommended to bring back areas to be replaced which included Hillview to Riverview with a guard rail and Fireside Drive to McIntosh with alternate bids with cul-de-sac. Following discussion it was decided to move forward with the project at Hillview Street only. Member Buehler made a motion, seconded by Member Williams, as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED PROJECT AND AWARD CONTRACTS TO MATHY CONSTRUCTION FOR \$53,866.84, WIESER BROTHERS GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR CONCRETE CURB & GUTTER FOR \$12,669.00 AND H & R CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR GUARD RAIL FOR \$7,762.71.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, all Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 6.1 – STAFF CORRESPONDENCES/COMMITTEE UPDATES – HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

City Council reviewed a Memo from La Crescent Police Chief Stavenau regarding the Habitat for Humanity fund raising bicycle event planning on passing through La Crescent July 15. They will be traveling south through the City from Winona County 1 to eastbound South 3rd Street and across the pike to La Crosse. There are no requests for additional services or specific road closures and is informational only. No action taken.

ITEM 8 – CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The La Crescent Chamber of Commerce reported on the ribbon cutting for the Wagon Wheel Project and reviewed June activities.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Member Buehler made a motion, seconded by Member Williams, to adjourn the meeting. Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Administrator, all Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Bernie Buehler	Yes
Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Brian Krenz	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried and the meeting duly recessed at 5:50 PM.

APPROVAL DATE: _____

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator