

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the North Mankato City Council was held in the Municipal Building Council Chambers on May 1, 2017. Mayor Dehen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. asking that everyone join in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were present for the meeting: Council Members Steiner, Norland, Freyberg and Whitlock, Mayor Dehen, City Administrator Harrenstein, Finance Director McCann, Attorney Kennedy, Community Development Director Fischer, Public Works Director Swanson and Deputy City Clerk Anderson.

**Approval of Agenda**

**Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Council Member Norland moved, seconded by Council Member Steiner, to approve the minutes of the Council meeting of April 17, 2017. Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock, and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**Public Hearing, 7 p.m. – Amend City Code, Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages, Hours of Sale.**

Mayor Dehen opened the meeting to the public for comment. Administrator Harrenstein noted the amendment would update the City Code to reflect the new State law allowing Sunday off-sale liquor from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. With no one appearing before council, Mayor Dehen closed the Public Hearing.

**Consent Agenda**

**Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland, to approve the Consent Agenda which included:**

- A. Bills and Appropriations.
- B. Consider Resolution No. 30-17 Approving Donations/Contributions/Grants.
- C. Consider Resolution No. 31-17 Approving Consent Assessment Agreement-402 Monroe Avenue.
- D. Consider Approving Park Permit for Belgrade Avenue United Methodist Church Picnic on July 15, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Spring Lake Park Shelter #1.
- E. Consider Approving Audio Permit for Belgrade Avenue United Methodist Church Picnic and Gospel Band at Spring Lake Park on July 15, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- F. Consider Approving Audio Permit for the North Mankato Taylor Library's Music in the Park at Storybook Park on July 13, 20, and 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- G. Consider Accepting the Petition for Annexation and Set a Public Hearing for 7 p.m. on May 15, 2017 to Consider Adoption of Ordinance of Annexation of Land.
- H. Consider Approving Park Permit for Associated Finishing Company Picnic on July 21, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Spring Lake Park Shelter #1.
- I. Consider Approving Audio Permit for the Associated Finishing Company Bingo on July 21, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Spring Lake Park Shelter #1.

**Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**Public Comments**

**None**

**Business Items**

**Consider Ordinance No. 88, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XI, Business Regulations Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages. Council Member Freyberg moved, seconded by Council Member Steiner to approve Ordinance No. 88, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XI, Business Regulations Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages. Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**Consider Resolution No. 32-17, Awarding Bid for Project No. 17-02DEF 2017 Street Improvements.** City Engineer Sarff reviewed the bids for the 2017 Street Improvements which include the final wearing course on the first phase of the Reserve subdivision, mill and overlay projects on Candi Lane, Meyer Lane, Mary Lane and one block of Peggy Lane, and some areas of bituminous trail repair in Benson Park. The low bidder was WW Blacktopping at \$236,492.50; the City's estimated cost for the project was \$286,500.00. Engineer Sarff indicated that after the bids were received, staff discussed other potential projects, specifically finishing the wearing course of North Gate subdivision. The estimated cost for this project would be \$47,000-\$50,000 which would bring the entire project cost close the City's original estimate of \$286,500. Engineer Sarff indicated the bids would be awarded and then a change order could be brought back to council for consideration to add the North Gate project to the 2017 Street Improvements Resolution. **Council Member Norland moved, seconded by Council Member Steiner to approve Resolution No. 32-17, Awarding Bid for Project No. 17-02DEF 2017 Street Improvements. Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**Consider Ordinance No. 89, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XV, Land Usage, Chapter 151, Residential Rental Property Licensing Code.** Attorney Kennedy reported the Minnesota Department of Revenue has still not responded to his request for more information on their requirement that the City collect Social Security numbers on rental license applications. Attorney Kennedy noted he is reluctant to collect information the City has no use for and indicated other cities who have chosen not to follow the State requirement are not receiving a penalty. Attorney Kennedy asked Council to table the Ordinance until the next meeting so he can obtain the information he needs to make a recommendation. **Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland to table Ordinance No. 89, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XV, Land Usage, Chapter 151, Residential Rental Property Licensing Code. Vote on the motion: Steiner, Norland, Freyberg, Whitlock and Dehen, aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

**City Administrator and Staff Comments**

Finance Director McCann reported the auditors were at the Municipal Building last week and will be here again next week; the final CAFRs are being prepared for the June presentation.

**Mayor and Council Comments**

Council Member Whitlock reported he had the opportunity to address the Marine Corps Reserve last Saturday and welcome them to North Mankato for their meeting at the Best Western.

Council Member Steiner reported he was contacted by Library Director Heintz requesting the City assist with an item to add to the gift bags for the Bookin' on Belgrade event. Administrator Harrenstein indicated staff could assist them.

Council Member Norland noted that City Clerk VanGenderen was at Clerk's training for the week. Administrator Harrenstein indicated this month City Clerk VanGenderen celebrates her 11 year anniversary with the City and Public Works Director Swanson celebrates 24 years.

Mayor Dehen reminded everyone the Bookin' on Belgrade Family Fun 5K Walk/Run will be on June 3, 2017 and on June 17, 2017, the North Star Bike Race and ArtSplash will be at South Central College. Mayor Dehen inquired on the status of the Spring clean-up. Public Works Director Swanson reported the Spring clean-up is complete. Mayor Dehen noted he had the opportunity to participate in the Over The Edge rappelling fundraising event for VINE on Friday. The event raised over \$100,000 to help remodel the fifth floor of VINE's Adult Community Center building.

**Public Comments**

Phil Henry, 1300 Noretta Drive, appeared before Council to thank the City for providing the Spring pickup service.

Tom Hagen, 927 Lake Street, appeared before Council stating he has made numerous requests to the Council to move forward with historic preservation, is ready to help the City and will continue bringing the issue forward until he receives a response. Mr. Hagen also stated the City will have to deal with the deer herd at some point.

There being no further business, on a motion by Council Member Norland, seconded by Council Member Steiner, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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Mayor

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Deputy City Clerk