

City of Excelsior
Hennepin County, Minnesota

MINUTES
EXCELSIOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, March 21, 2011

Council Chambers

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ruehl called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Berghorst, Miller, and Mayor Ruehl

Absent: Council Members Caron and Fulkerson

Also Present: City Manager Luger, City Attorney Staunton, Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf, and City Clerk Johnson

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. City Council Work Session Meeting of March 7, 2011

Berghorst moved, Miller seconded, to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 7, 2011 as presented. Motion carried 3/0.

4. OPEN FORUM

Bruce Anderson, 237 Center Street, addressed the City Council.

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

The Excelsior Fire Board will meet Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Shade Tree Program - The City will be offering shade trees to residents at reduced rates.

6. AGENDA APPROVAL

a. Meeting Agenda

Miller moved, Berghorst seconded, to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried 3/0.

b. Consent Agenda

Miller moved, Berghorst seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 3/0.

6. AGENDA APPROVAL

b. Consent Agenda – (Continued)

1. Verified Claims

Action – Approve for Payment in the Amount of \$114,039.81, EFT Checks 346 to 353 and Manual Checks #75799 through #75845

2. Special Event Permit for Baptism on June 26, 2011 – Westwood Community Church

Action – Approve Issuance of Special Event Permit to Westwood Community Church

3. Monthly Budget Report – February 2011

Action – Accept for Filing

4. Accept Contract for Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project

Action – Award Contract to Infrastructure Technologies, Inc. for Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project for a Cost Not-to-Exceed \$33,000.00, Funded From Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #610-49490-530

5. Planning Commission Minutes for Filing – February 8, 2011

Action – Accept for Filing

6. Park and Recreation Commission Minutes for Filing – February 15, 2011 and February 23, 2011

Action – Accept for Filing

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None

8. PETITIONS, REQUESTS and COMMUNICATIONS

a. Presentation and Discussion Regarding New Construction in Historic Districts- Michael Koop, State Historic Preservation Office

Michael Koop, Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office, gave a PowerPoint presentation to explain the criteria that Heritage Preservation Commission's look at when reviewing new construction.

8. PETITIONS, REQUESTS and COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Presentation and Discussion Regarding New Construction in Historic Districts- Michael Koop, State Historic Preservation Office – (Continued)

John Anderson, 200 George Street, addressed the City Council.

Myrle Mackenzie, area resident and business person, addressed the City Council.

- b. Preview of Hennepin County Drawings for New Excelsior Library

Lois Thompson, Hennepin County Library Director, addressed the City Council.

Lee Anderson, Hennepin County Property Services, Senior Project Manager, addressed the City Council.

Mark Wenzel, 292 Design Group, architect for the project, presented the plans for the proposed library.

Thomas Lane, 166 Maple Street, addressed the City Council.

Thom Lofquist, 740 Pleasant Street, addressed the City Council.

Mark Bowers, 194 West Lake Street, addressed the City Council.

Dan Roden, 141 Maple Street, addressed the City Council.

Myrle Mackenzie, area resident and business person, addressed the City Council.

John Anderson, 200 George Street, addressed the City Council.

Bob Bolles, 229 George Street and 340 Water Street, addressed the City Council.

Lisa Kopas Lane, 166 Maple Street, addressed the City Council.

Jon Monson, 202 Water Street, addressed the City Council.

Diane Bolles, 229 George Street and 310 Water Street, addressed the City Council.

Chris Lizeé, Shorewood resident and Library Committee member, addressed the City Council.

Dan Wallace, 311 Third Street, addressed the City Council.

9. ORDINANCES and RESOLUTIONS

- a. None

10. REPORTS of OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

- a. Park and Recreation Commission

1. Proposal for Shaved Ice Stand in The Commons – 2 Below Zero

The Council directed staff to negotiate a contract with 2 Below Zero for a shaved ice stand in The Commons. Council Member Miller agreed to work with staff on the contract negotiations.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. None

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Schedule Special Council Meeting

Berghorst moved, Miller seconded, to schedule a Special City Council meeting for Friday, March 25, 2011 at 7:30 a.m. to accept bids and award a contract for the Soil Remediation Project in Excelsior Parkland. Motion carried 3/0.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Berghorst moved, Miller seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. Motion carried 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheri Johnson
City Clerk