

City of Excelsior
Regular Council Meeting

Minutes

Monday, May 15, 2023

6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:41 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Mayor Carlson and Councilmembers Caron, Hersman, and Tyler

Absent: Councilmember Dierking

Also Present: City Manger Luger, Community Development Director Mullin, Public Works Superintendent Amundsen, and Finance Director Palmer

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(a) April 17, 2023 City Council Minutes

(b) April 24, 2023 Special City Council Minutes

(c) May 1, 2023 Work Session Minutes

(d) May 1, 2023 City Council Minutes

Caron moved, Hersman seconded, to approve the April 17, 2023 City Council Minutes, April 24, 2023 Special City Council Minutes, May 1, 2023 Work Session Minutes, and May 1, 2023 City Council Minutes. Motion carried 4/0.

4. OPEN FORUM

None

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

(a) Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce Update

Tiffany King, Executive Director of the Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce, presented to the Council.

(b) Spring Cleanup – May 20

Mayor Carlson gave a reminder on Spring Cleanup Day.

(c) No Mow May

Mayor Carlson gave an update on requirements for No Mow May.

(d) Bells at Congregational Church

Councilmember Caron commented on the tolling of the church bells on the hour.

(e) Positive Comment

Councilmember Caron shared with the Council a positive comment and thank you she received from a resident.

(f) Arbor Day

Councilmember Tyler gave an update on Tree City USA and Arbor Day planning.

(g) Zoom Update

Mayor Carlson provided an update on considerations for bringing back Zoom meetings.

(h) School and Morse Parking Impact

Mayor Carlson shared concerns regarding limited parking on School and Morse Avenues.

(i) West Lot Parking Citation

Mayor Carlson shared some concerns from citizens regarding being ticketed in the West Parking Lot.

(j) Introducing Andra Ward

Parks Manager Andra Ward introduced herself to the Council and audience.

6. MEET EXCELSIOR

(a) None

7. AGENDA APPROVAL

(a) Meeting Agenda

Hersman moved, Tyler seconded, to approve the May 15, 2023 Meeting Agenda. Motion carried 4/0.

(b) Consent Agenda

Caron moved, Hersman seconded to approve the May 15, 2023 Consent Agenda and to continue Item 7(b)3 to the June 5, 2023 City Council meeting. Motion carried 4/0.

1. Review Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approve Verified Claims over \$20,000

Action - Approved Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approved Claims over \$20,000.

2. March 2023 Financials

Action - Approved March 2023 Financials.

3. Resolution Approving the Residential Review Permit for 254 Lake Street

Action - Continued to the June 5, 2023 City Council Meeting.

4. Approve 2023 Business License

Action - Approved 2023 Business License.

5. Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Bonds

Action - Approved Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Bonds.

6. Approve Pay Voucher No. 4 – Water Street Overlay Improvements

Action - Approved Pay Voucher No. 4 - Water Street Overlay Improvements.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) None

9. PETITIONS, REQUESTS and COMMUNICATIONS

(a) 2022 Audit

Bonnie Schweiger, Abdo Solutions, presented the 2022 Audit report to the City Council.

(b) Gift Agreement for New Seating Installation

Eric Snyder, Community for the Commons, presented to the City Council.

Hersman moved, Caron seconded to authorize a three-way gift agreement for new seating installation. Motion fails 3/1 due to the vote requiring a super majority. Councilmember Tyler voted no.

Hersman moved, Caron seconded to rescind the previous motion and continue the item to the June 5, 2023 City Council meeting for a full Council review. Motion carried 4/0.

10. ORDINANCES and RESOLUTIONS

(a) None

11. REPORTS of OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

(a) None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) None

13. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Temporary Parking Plan During Construction

City Council directed staff to stripe spaces at 106 Center Street and Ginger Salon for parking.

(b) Walker Proposal for Consulting Services – Parking Strategic Planning

Tyler moved, Hersman seconded to continue the Walker Proposal for Consulting Services to the June 5, 2023 City Council meeting. Motion carried 4/0.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Caron moved, Hersman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 P.M. Motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenny Palmer, Acting City Clerk