

City of Tower
Regular Meeting
August 17, 2009
Monday @ 5:30PM
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Tower City Council was called to order by Mayor Stephen Abrahamson.

Present: Abrahamson, Hanson, Hiltunen, Nevala.

Also Present: Kotzian.

Absent: Heinowski.

Visitors: Shannon Schultz, Kevin Friebe, Sheldon Majerle, Nick Skarich, Jodi Summit.

Motion by Nevala supported by Hiltunen to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented by the Clerk/Treasurer. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Nevala supported by Hanson to accept the agenda as presented by the Mayor with the addition of 9.4: Highway bike trail signs. All yes. Motion carried.

Public input: None.

Correspondences: None.

Reports: Motion by Hiltunen supported by Nevala to accept the reports as presented. All yes. Motion carried.

Shannon Shultz and Kevin Friebe, St. Louis County Police Department, were present to report on police protection in the City of Tower for the month of July. Also discussed was the proposed contract, scheduling of officer, and possible use of the Tower squad car for Sheriff travel to and from home. A Police Commission meeting was scheduled for August 26 @ 8:00AM, City Hall.

Motion by Hanson supported by Hiltunen to approve the proposed police protection contract as presented with corrections. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Hiltunen to approve \$135,000 General Obligation Sewer Revenue Refunding, Series 2009 with First National Bank of Gilbert, Minnesota. All yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on re-routing Hoodoo Point road out of the Airport Clear Zone. The project qualifies for Federal funding 95% and local 5%.

Motion by Hanson supported by Hiltunen to approve all engineering associated with the re-routing of Hoodoo Point Road and authorize the Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer to sign all necessary documents, and proceed with the project. All yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the Cathcart property which is adjacent to the City 5.7 acre parcel (old dump site).

Motion by Hanson supported by Nevala to have the parcel appraised, not to exceed \$350.00. All yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on building a fire pit/campfire at the Mini-Park.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Nevala not to allow a fire pit/campfire at the Mini-Park. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Nevala to approve final payment on the Seaplane Base Project. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Hiltunen to request bids on re-appraising cabin lease properties. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Nevala to approve Pay Estimate #2 for \$24,863.06 to KGM in regards to the North Star Third Addition project. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Nevala to approve Compensating Change Order which will decrease the total contract amount by \$12,764.46 in regards to the Northstar Third Addition. All yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on marking a crosswalk with signage across Hwy 169 from Depot to Cedar Street and also one crossing Hoodoo Point Road on Tamarack Street. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Hiltunen to request permission from MnDot to install crosswalk signs. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Hanson to pay the bills as submitted. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Nevala to adjourn. Time: 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy L. Kotzian
Clerk/Treasurer