

KASSON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 24, 2015

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular City Council meeting was held at City Hall on the 24th day of June, 2015 at 6:00 PM

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: Buck, Egger and Johnson. Borgstrom arrived at 6:05

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE ABSENT: Coleman

THE FOLLOWING WERE ALSO PRESENT: City Clerk Rappe, City Engineer Brandon Theobald, Mike Bubany, Jerry Berg, Billy Gullickson and Randy Carlsen

Mayor Johnson called meeting to order at 6 PM

COUNCIL

Agenda:

Add: L.3 Library Report

Motion by Egger and second by Buck, with all voting Aye, to approve the amended June 24, 2015 agenda.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Buck and second by Egger to approve the June 24, 2015 consent agenda with all voting Aye.

- a. **Minutes:** Approved the June 10, 2015 regular meeting minutes.
- b. **Claims:** Approved all claims paid after the June 10, 2015 regular meeting, as audited for payment in the amount of \$558,986.06
- c. **Pay Estimate:** Pay Estimate, Pember Companies #4 (Final) Lion's Park and Trail \$9329.10
- d. **Acknowledgement of Committee and Meeting Minutes:**
EDA DRAFT – June 2, 2015

VISITORS TO THE COUNCIL – Jerry Berg – 506 5th Ave NW: Mr. Berg wanted to express his concern about City taxpayers paying for the School Resource Officer for Kasson-Mantorville Schools. The City and the School District split this cost. Mr. Berg stated that Dodge County pays 60% with Triton and Hayfield each paying 20% to share an officer from the County. This means that City of Kasson taxpayers are paying County taxes for the SRO for the Triton and Hayfield schools and they are paying City and School District taxes for the Kasson-Mantorville SRO. Mr. Berg is asking the Council to withdraw funding a SRO for the Kasson-Mantorville School District and have the School District negotiate the proper funding from the County.

PUBLIC FORUM - Billy Gullickson – 303 13th Ave NW – Mr. Gullickson expressed his thanks to the Council for doing a good job.

PUBLIC HEARING - Mike Bubany, David Drown and Associates, explained the bond capital improvement plan and to not be confused by the word plan. It is a legal document to get us the statutory authority to refinance public debt. This is specifically to refinance the public works building where the EDA financed the building. This has been reviewed by the City's bond attorney. Councilperson Buck asked if that the only thing the City would be out is the credit rating of \$12,000? Mr. Bubany answered that it is not that high and we haven't ordered it yet. Rates went up since last time the Council talked about this but the rates have come back down to where we can hit our minimum savings target number of \$170,000. Bubany stated that currently we are at a \$182,000 savings. Jerry Berg asked why the arbitrary number of \$170,000 in savings – Mr. Bubany answered we were originally showing \$230,000 and \$170,000 was a number picked out not to go below for savings. We track bond sales and since this is a process, this is to allow for movement in the rates. Jerry Berg asked – why not go lower? – Mr. Bubany stated that these bonds are very sensitive to rates and this would be a trigger and this would be the minimum savings to give the Mayor and Finance Director authority to sign immediately. Councilperson Buck stated that we have an investment in this too so we want to make sure the savings provide enough benefit.

Public Hearing closed

Motion to approve the Capital Improvement Plan Bond Supplement made by Egger, second by Buck with all present voting Aye.

Motion to approve the Resolution giving approval for the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,160,000 and Adopting the City of Kasson Capital Improvement Plan Therefor, made by Buck, Second by Egger with all present voting Aye.

(on file)

Resolution #6.3-15

Resolution Giving Approval for the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,160,000 and Adopting the City of Kasson Capital Improvement Plan Therefor

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR'S REPORT –

The Mayor stated that he and Councilperson Buck drove around the City and are not happy with street conditions and they are in the process of fixing these. We have not kept up on this.

The Mayor stated that this is Randy Carlsen's last official meeting as the Editor of the Dodge County Independent and thanked him and his family for their service, time and hard work.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

ENGINEER'S REPORT

City Engineer Theobald presented the resolution and explained this is 12 lot subdivision and improvements are made through the petition and waiver process and there is a development agreement in place. Construction could start this fall and be completed in spring of 2016. Buck wanted to know if the City pays for the inspections on the streets. Mr. Theobald stated that inspections are paid by City but is rolled into cost of the project and ultimately paid for by the Developer. WHKS' role as engineer would inspect the different stages of construction and would be watching the wearing project. ***Motion to approve the Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids for Improvements in Blaines 12th Phase 5, made by Borgstrom, second by Buck with all voting Aye.***

(on file)

Resolution #6.4-15

Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids for Improvements in Blaine's 12th Phase 5

PERSONNEL

CORRESPONDENCE: Correspondence consisting of City Department Update, Engineer Agreement Addendum and the Library Report were reviewed.

PUBLIC FORUM – Jerry Berg – 506 5th Ave NW – Mr. Berg agrees with refinancing the bonds but is not happy with what they are for. Mr. Berg stated that the previous Council and EDA circumvented the referendum process, by having the EDA loan the funds.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Linda Rappe, City Clerk

Steve Johnson, Mayor