

CITY OF GRANT
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DATE : June 28, 2016
TIME STARTED : 7:02 p.m.
TIME ENDED : 8:10 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT : Councilmember Sederstrom, Lobin, Huber,
Lanoux and Mayor Carr
MEMBERS ABSENT : None

Staff members present: Acting City Attorney, Kevin Sandstrom; City Planner, Jennifer Haskamp; City Treasurer, Sharon Schwarze; and Administrator/Clerk, Kim Points

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carr called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Jerry Helander, Jasmine Avenue – came forward and commented on accusations relating to a police report.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SETTING THE AGENDA

Mayor Carr moved to add Item 5Aiii, Seal Coat Bids to the regular agenda. Council Member Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Huber moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Council Member Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

June 7, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes	Removed
Bill List, \$52,148.81	Approved
City of Mahtomedi, 2 nd Quarter Fire Contract, \$32,347.00	Approved
City of Stillwater, 1 st Half Fire Contract, \$55,894.50	Approved

1 Kline Excavating, Road Projects, \$17,037.50 Approved

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3 Ordinance No. 2016-46 Approved

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5 **Council Member Lanoux moved to approve the consent agenda with the moving of June 7, 2016**
6 **City Council Meeting Minutes and the Bill List, \$52,148.81 to New Business. Council Member**
7 **Sederstrom seconded the motion.**

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9 Council Member Huber clarified with Council Member Lanoux that he did not email the clerk
10 regarding questions with the bill list or minutes.

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12 Council Member Sederstrom advised he did speak to the clerk regarding the minutes and revisions
13 were made but not entirely.

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15 Mayor Carr stated the minutes should be pulled for discussion. Council Member Lanoux did not
16 amend the motion to only include the minutes.

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18 **Motion failed with Council Member Lobin, Huber and Mayor Carr voting nay.**

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20 **Mayor Carr moved to approve the consent agenda with moving June 7, 2016, City Council**
21 **Meeting Minutes to Item 6D under New Business. Council Member Lobin seconded the**
22 **motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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24 **Council Member Huber moved to approve the consent agenda, as amended. Council Member**
25 **Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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27 **STAFF AGENDA ITEMS**

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29 **City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck**

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31 **McKusick Neighborhood Meeting** – A memo was included in the Council packets providing an
32 update on the neighborhood meeting that was held on Tuesday June 14th for the residents abutting
33 McKusick Road to discuss roadway improvement options, including partial closure and the City's
34 special assessment policy.

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36 Nineteen (19) property owners were sent a letter, including a survey, announcing the neighborhood
37 meeting time and place.

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39 Approximately twenty (20) people attended the meeting with fourteen (14) participants providing
40 contact information on the attached sign-in sheet. Five surveys were collected at the meeting and are
41 also attached. Council Member Lobin, the City Administrator and City Engineer were also in
42 attendance.

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44 All comments, questions and concerns discussed are listed below:

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- Roadway improvements are needed

- 1 • The city should accept some of the responsibility for the cost of the improvements
- 2 • The Gasthaus and Golf Course contributes to high traffic volume on McKusick
- 3 • Regional traffic contributes to high traffic volume on McKusick
- 4 • Abutting property owners contribute very little traffic volume on McKusick
- 5 • The DNR should burden some of the cost of the road – caused by regional trail use.
- 6 • The city should consider establishing a funding mechanism to offset the cost for regional
- 7 roadway improvements or roadway improvements in general.
- 8 • Consider reducing the speed limit. Current posted speed limit is 50 mph
- 9 • Many residents are in favor of a partial closure of roadway west of Lansing Ave to reduce
- 10 regional traffic cut through and coerce them to use County roadway system.
- 11 • The City should consider a feasibility study to discuss roadway improvement options,
- 12 including cost for each option. Residents are not in favor of the 429 process - special
- 13 assessments but some think it's important to have a study to better understand each option and
- 14 the cost burden to each property owner. Some residents are in favor of burdening a share of
- 15 the cost depending on the amount and option.
- 16 • Continue communications with residents about improvements.
- 17 • Are the options recorded in a Staff Memo last July still being considered, including gravel
- 18 roads?

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20 This item will appear on the next regular Council meeting agenda.

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22 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2016-13, Keswick Avenue North Roadway Improvement**

23 **Project** – City Engineer Reifsteck provided in the Council packets a memo outlining requested
24 Council action to authorize by resolution the receipt by City Council of a Feasibility Report,
25 Preparation of Plans and Specifications, and scheduling the Public Improvement Hearing to order the
26 public improvements for the Keswick Avenue Roadway Improvement Project.

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28 **Facts:**

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- 30 • The project includes Keswick Avenue N. between 60th Lane N and the end of the cul-de-sac.
- 31 • The City Council authorized preparation of a Feasibility Report for the Keswick Avenue
- 32 Roadway Improvement Project on June 7, 2016.
- 33 • As identified in the Feasibility Report, The total project is estimated to be \$117,550, including
- 34 construction, legal, engineering, administrative and financing costs.
- 35 • The project is anticipated to be funded 100% through special assessments in accordance with
- 36 the City's Assessment Policy. A preliminary assessment roll is included in the Feasibility
- 37 Report that identifies assessment amounts for the benefitting properties.
- 38 • A feasibility Report is required to be completed by State Statute for projects using special
- 39 assessments, to report on the necessity, feasibility and cost of the project.
- 40 • Staff is recommending the Public Hearing considering the improvements be held at the
- 41 August 2, 2016 Council Meeting.

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43 Mayor Carr stated the residents in this neighborhood came forward regarding road improvements and
44 hopefully the project will be done this year.

1 **Council Member Huber moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-13, as presented. Council**
2 **Member Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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4 **2016 Seal Coat Bids** – City Engineer Reifsteck provided in the Council packet a memo that advised
5 the City received two quotes for the 2016 Seal Coat Project. The request for quotes was sent to Allied
6 Blacktop and Pearson Brothers. Fahrner Asphalt was also contacted to supply a quote but they did
7 not have time to complete the work this year. The quotes are attached and listed below.

Pearson Brothers Inc.....	\$51,274
Allied Blacktop Company.....	\$44,550

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12 A copy of the 2016 Seal Coat Project plan and contract is attached. Roadways included in the seal
13 coat bids are listed below.

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- 15 1. 62nd Street N
- 16 2. Jamaca Ave
- 17 3. 102nd St N & 102nd St Ct. N.
- 18 4. 100th St. N & Hidden Glade Ave N.
- 19 5. 115th St N.
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21 The budget for 2016 is \$38,000. Language in the bid documents allows the City to eliminate a portion
22 of the project or quantity to stay within this budget. We have prioritized the streets from highest to
23 lowest (1-5) above and would recommend completing the streets in this order until the budget limit is
24 reached. The street most likely postponed for the next seal coat project is 115th St N.

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26 All work is scheduled to be completed prior to September 2, 2016.

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28 **Mayor Carr moved to award 2016 Seal Coat Project to the low bidder, Allied Blacktop**
29 **Company, up to the budgeted amount of \$38,000. Council Member Lanoux seconded the**
30 **motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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32 **City Planner, Jennifer Haskamp (no action items)**

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34 **City Attorney, Nick Vivian (no action items)**

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36 **NEW BUSINESS**

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38 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2016-14, Authorization for Summary Publication of Ordinance**
39 **No. 2016-46** – City Planner Haskamp advised Resolution No. 2016-14 authorizes the summary
40 publication of Ordinance No. 2016-46 that has been approved.

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42 **Council Member Huber moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-14, as presented. Council**
43 **Member Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

1 **Consideration of Waste Management Recycling Contract** – A staff report was included in the
2 Council packets providing the background relating to the recycling contract.
3 The current recycling contract agreement with Waste Management expires on December 31, 2016.
4 The current contract was for six years at a cost of \$2.70 per household per month. The contract prior
5 to that was at a cost of \$2.43 per household. The house count for pickup is currently at 1484
6 households.

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8 In discussions with Waste Management’s Public Sector Representative, Mr. Mike Donnelly, the
9 proposed renewal rate for a 5-year extension is \$3.09 per household with a 3% increase in years two
10 through five.

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12 Mr. Donnelly has indicated the market has changed considerably and provides some information
13 regarding the market below. In addition, rates to compare that were negotiated in 2015 and 2016 are
14 as follows:

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16 St. Anthony Village - \$3.70
17 Ham Lake - \$5.50
18 Minnetrista - \$3.50
19 Gem Lake - \$4.69
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21 “Per our conversation, here is some information you can provide the Council in advance.
22 The market has changed considerably going back to 2011. The rates in Grant have not
23 changed since 2010 or 2011. That being said, the market has changed considerably. As
24 mentioned in my letter, the blended value has dropped by close to 50%. We are now being
25 charged for glass, due to eCullet, the glass processor in the metro area shut down>
26 Strategic Materials opened in its place, but on a smaller scale and charges us for glass, but
27 only accepts the highest quality glass.

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29 Contracts from 2014 and 2015 have dictated higher recycling rates. In Blaine, the rate is \$3.19
30 per household. The City is higher density and closer to the Material Recovery Facility. The
31 hauler also has the trash and yard waste contracts. The City of St. Anthony Village started in
32 2015 and their recycling rate started at \$3.62 per home. Two recent bids I placed were at \$3.62
33 and \$3.21.

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35 If Dellwood and Willernie were both due at this time, the rates would likely be right in line
36 with where we proposed your rates starting in 2017. Keep in mind, subscription recycling
37 would likely be between \$5-\$7. Most likely it will be closer to the \$7 per home number.

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39 In the past three years the recycling commodity market has declined dramatically. Many
40 cities who took advantage of the revenue sharing are actually paying in. I have a few contracts
41 that currently pay an additional \$.47 per home because of where the market went. In your case,
42 that would go from \$2.79 to \$3.26. The City of Grant is fortunate to have not been involved in
43 that.”

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1 Mr. Donnelly became the City of Grant Recycling contact approximately three and half years. Staff
2 will note since Mr. Donnelly has been in place for the City, the customer service and response time
3 for any issues has been impeccable.

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5 If the Council chooses, the City may go out for a request for proposal for recycling. Staff would
6 request the Council be very clear regarding specifications in the RFP as the recycling contract is very
7 specific relating to pick up, bins, schedules, etc.

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9 Mr. Donnelly, Waste Management Representative, came forward to address any issues or questions.
10 He explained the recycling market as well as the costs for service.

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12 Mayor Carr thanked Mr. Donnelly for attending the meeting.

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14 Council Member Lanoux asked if they still take recycling and trash to Bellaire Sanitation. Mr.
15 Donnolly advised all recycling and trash collected in both Washington and Ramsey County must be
16 taken to the facility in Newport.

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18 **Council Member Lanoux moved to approve the extension of Waste Management Recycling**
19 **Contract, as presented. Council Member Huber seconded the motion. Motion carried**
20 **unanimously.**

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22 **Set 2017 Budget Work Session** – City Treasurer Schwarze stated a budget work session should be
23 scheduled by the Council. The Council may choose to schedule it prior to a regular Council meeting
24 or on a different day and time.

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26 A 2016 Budget Work Session was scheduled on Monday, July 25, 2016, 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall. A
27 seconded work session was scheduled on August 2, 2016, 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, prior to the regular
28 Council meeting.

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30 **June 7, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes** – Council Member Sederstrom advised he did make a
31 correction to the minutes that included a motion he made to dismiss the censure. That was added to
32 the minutes but the second to the motion was not.

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34 Council Member Lanoux stated he wants the minutes to reflect he has been censured.

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36 Council Member Huber stated they need to follow rules. When Council Members act like children,
37 they can be censured. No one wants to go to court. The Council has repeatedly asked Council
38 Member Lanoux to get a conditional use permit and he chose not to follow the rules. Council
39 Member Lanoux also chose not to follow the censure.

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41 Acting City Attorney Sandstrom stated the minutes could reflect there was a second to the motion but
42 no vote was taken.

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1 Council Member Sederstrom moved to approve the June 7, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes,
2 as amended.. Council Member Lanoux seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council
3 Member Huber voting nay.

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5 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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7 There was no unfinished business.

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9 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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11 **City Council Reports:**

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13 Council Member Sederstrom listed some areas in the City that have some trees down that need to be
14 picked up. He inquired about whether or not the School District had obtained a grading permit for
15 work being done on the parking lot.

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17 Council Member Lanoux stated Council Member Huber filed a complaint on his property because he
18 is held to a higher standard and removed a property file and the City is now getting into all this
19 litigation. He suggested Council Member Huber be censured for filing a false police report. Mayor
20 Carr called Council Member Sederstrom bad word at a posted civic event in front of staff.

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22 Council Member Huber stated Council Member Lanoux has been court ordered to get a CUP. Again,
23 the Council asked him very nicely to get a CUP and the judge has determined he does need one. The
24 campaign violation relating to Mr. Smith was upheld and the appeal was thrown out. The judge
25 determined campaign materials that were sent out supporting the Charter should not have included the
26 City of Grant seal. He asked that Council Member Lanoux get down to City business as he was
27 elected to do.

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29 Council Member Sederstrom clarified that the City seal is embossed and is different from the City
30 logo.

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32 Mayor Carr stated Council Member Lanoux has enforced the censure on himself by not following it.
33 All that had to be done was follow it for 90 days. Council Member Lanoux seems to enjoy spending
34 taxpayer's money and it is ridiculous.

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36 **Staff Updates:**

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38 **COMMUNITY CALENDAR JUNE 29 THROUGH JULY 31, 2015:**

39 **City Office Closed, July 4th, 2016, 4th of July Holiday**

40 **Planning Commission Meeting, Tuesday, July 19th, 2016, 7:00 p.m.**

41 **Mahtomedi Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, July 14th and July 28th, Mahtomedi**
42 **District Education Center, 7:00 p.m.**

43 **Stillwater Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, July 28th, Stillwater City Hall, 7:00 p.m.**

1 **Washington County Commissioners Meeting, Tuesdays, Government Center, 9:00 a.m.**

2 **ADJOURN**

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4 **Council Member Huber moved to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Council Member Lobin seconded the**
5 **motion. Motion carried unanimously.**
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8 These minutes were considered and approved at the regular Council Meeting August 2, 2016.
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Kim Points, Administrator/Clerk

Tom Carr, Mayor

APPROVED