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DATE : October 4, 2016
TIME STARTED : 7:06 p.m.
TIME ENDED : 8:20 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT : Councilmember Sederstrom, Lobin, Huber,
Lanoux and Mayor Carr
MEMBERS ABSENT : None

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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carr called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT

(1) Mr. Jerry Helander, Jasmine Avenue – came forward and commented on the tractor parade last month noting because it is political, the City should not be a part of it.

(2) Mr. John Rog, 110th Street – submitted a letter regarding the tractor parade and the inappropriateness of some of the banners placed at Town Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SETTING THE AGENDA

Council Member Huber moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Lanoux and Sederstrom voting nay.

CONSENT AGENDA

September 6, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes	Approved
Bill List, \$59,336.81	Approved
Kline Excavating, Road Projects, \$11,988.75	Approved
City of Mahtomedi, 3 rd Quarter Fire Contract, \$32,347.00	Approved

1 Envirotech, 2016 Dust Control, \$17,655.76

Approved

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3 **Council Member Huber moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Council Member**
4 **Lobin seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Lanoux and Sederstrom**
5 **voting nay.**

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7 **STAFF AGENDA ITEMS**

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9 **City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck**

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11 **Final Project Costs and Order Assessment Hearing, Keswick Avenue** – City Engineer Reifsteck
12 provided a memo with an update relating to the Keswick Avenue project. It was noted the contractor
13 is scheduled to begin the work on October 11 and be completed by October 21. Final costs will be
14 declared at the November meeting and set the public hearing for the December Council meeting.

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16 **McKusick Speed Survey** – City Engineer provided a memo advising a letter was sent to residents
17 last week requesting a petition from the neighborhood to determine if a reduced speed zone is wanted.
18 An update will be provided when residents respond to that petitions.

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20 **City Planner, Jennifer Haskamp**

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22 **Consideration of Update of Septic Ordinance** – City Planner Haskamp referred to a letter sent by
23 Washington County regarding the City's septic ordinance being out of date. The City can update the
24 ordinance or repeal the ordinance and defer jurisdiction to the County.

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26 Mayor Carr stated he assumes everyone still wants the County to administer the septic program in
27 Grant. The City has adopted ordinances in the past by reference and believes the City should do that
28 in this case.

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30 Council Member Huber stated the County rules for septic seem to be getting more restrictive. He
31 asked if the City has input on the rules and standards.

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33 City Planner Haskamp stated the rules are put into place by the State. The County just carries those
34 out.

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36 City Attorney Vivian stated the laws have changed and the City's code has not; it is appropriate to
37 poll the Council and provide direction to either update the ordinance or adopt the County ordinance
38 by repealing the City's ordinance.

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40 **Council Member Lanoux moved to continue with the County administering the regulation of**
41 **well and septic. Council Member Huber seconded the motion.**

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43 **Council Member Huber added a friendly amendment to the motion to include the County also**
44 **continue with the permitting of well and septic. Council Member Lanoux agreed to the friendly**
45 **amendment. Motion carried unanimously.**

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2 City Attorney Vivian advised the City would still have to change its septic setbacks to be consistent
3 with the County even if the County’s ordinance is adopted by reference.

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5 The Council requested more information from staff relating to revising the City setback in terms of
6 well and septic.

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8 **Stillwater Comprehensive Plan Comments** – City Planner Haskamp advised that the location of a
9 proposed amendment to the Stillwater Comprehensive Plan for a Hyvee Store is directly adjacent of
10 the City of Grant and so feedback from the Council would be beneficial.

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12 Mayor Carr stated if the location came into Grant he would have a lot more concerns but it does affect
13 their residents more.

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15 Council Member Lanoux stated when neighboring cities change their Comprehensive Plan the City of
16 Grant gets notified. He recommended the improvements don’t allow for sewer and water expansions
17 into the City or included future increased capacity.

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19 Council Member Huber stated the City does not have the authority to tell another City what size water
20 lines they must install. He stated the current Council is not going to bring water and sewer into the
21 City of Grant. He added he does count on the plan to make traffic flow smooth. Manning Avenue is
22 highly traveled. The current plan does not show another traffic light and it is important that the City
23 understand the long-term traffic plan.

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25 Council Member Sederstrom stated traffic is a concern with the proposed project and he would like to
26 ensure the traffic plan is done correctly the first time.

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28 Council Member Lobin asked if the City could request there be an entrance only and exit only within
29 the plan.

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31 City Planner Haskamp stated the letter indicated Hyvee is supportive of a right in right out only but
32 City staff and County staff were not supportive of that plan. She stated the City of Stillwater has to
33 comply with state law relating to the amendment and public hearings. Neighbors of the plan do
34 receive notice and have the opportunity to comment.

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36 **Environmental Assessment Worksheet** – City Planner Haskamp provided an update on the EA
37 process in terms of Bay West working on the project. They hope to have a draft of the document in
38 approximately 30 days to be reviewed by the City and then go out for public comment.

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40 **City Attorney, Nick Vivian**

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42 **2016 Annual CUP Review** – City Attorney Vivian referred to the staff report outlining the 2016
43 Annual CUP reviewing noting all CUP’s were in compliance and no vacates are recommended at this
44 time.

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1 Council Member Huber stated the annual CUP review is an important milestone for the City. The
2 reviews are no done in a non-political way as it was delegated to staff. He stated staff has done a
3 great job on the reviews and update of the CUP book.

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5 Mayor Carr added it was a bumpy road getting to the current review process but the City does issue
6 the permits and they do need to be reviewed.

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8 Council Member Lanoux stated its not political and yet at his first meeting a complaint was made
9 about him and lack of CUP.

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11 Council Member Huber stated the there is a copy of a letter from the City in 1984 requesting Council
12 Member Lanoux get a CUP. He stated he also requested Council Member Lanoux get a CUP after he
13 was sworn in. The complaint was made a month later after he refused to apply for a CUP. A judge
14 has ordered Council Member Lanoux to get a CUP.

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16 **NEW BUSINESS**

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18 There was no new business.

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20 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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22 There was no unfinished business.

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24 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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26 **City Council Reports:**

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28 Mayor Carr advised no political signs are allowed on City property and that needs to be enforced.

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30 Council Member Sederstrom advised the State is removing signs from Jamaca and Hwy 96.

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32 **Staff Updates:**

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34 There were no staff updates.

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36 **COMMUNITY CALENDAR OCTOBER 5 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2016:**

37 **Mahtomedi Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, October 13th and 27th , Mahtomedi**
38 **District Education Center, 7:00 p.m.**

39 **Stillwater Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, October 27th , Stillwater City Hall, 7:00**
40 **p.m.**

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

42 **ADJOURN**

1 Council Member Huber moved to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Council Member Lobin seconded the
2 motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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6 These minutes were considered and approved at the regular Council Meeting November 1, 2016.

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Kim Points, Administrator/Clerk

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Tom Carr, Mayor

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