

**CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

- I. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Approval of Agenda:** Mayor McComber called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Present: Councilmembers Dougherty, Johnson, Liljegren and Runk. Staff present: City Administrator Johnson, City Clerk Pinski, City Attorney Sandstrom, Public Works Director Kegley, and City Engineer Mann. Absent: City Planner Richards.

Mayor McComber added “Approve JPA for Fuel Contract 2019” to Consent Agenda as Item H, “Ridgecrest Development – Land Exchange” to New Business as Item E, and “Approve Final Payment to Lametti & Sons – Sunnyside Lift Station” to New Business as Item F.

Councilmember Liljegren, seconded by Councilmember Dougherty, moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Carried 5-0.

II. **Council/Staff Reports:**

- A. **Mayor McComber:** She reported she attended a Coalition of Utility Cities conference call and a Fire Department Advisory Committee meeting the previous week, she testified at the Transportation Finance Committee Hearing, she would be attending a meeting with the Department of Revenue and Coalition of Utility Cities on March 7, she was asked to testify before the Senate Tax Committee, and she had an Xcel Energy Integrated Resources Plan meeting and Regional Council of Mayors meeting upcoming.
- B. **Councilmember Dougherty:** He reported he attended the conference call with the Coalition of Utility Cities, and the next Cable Commission meeting was set for March 18.
- C. **Councilmember Johnson:** She reported she attended the Parks Commission meeting and the Brown’s Creek Watershed District meeting the previous week.
- D. **Councilmember Liljegren:** No report.
- E. **Councilmember Runk:** He reported the next meeting of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization was set for March 14, and he attended the Brown’s Creek Watershed District meeting. He said he would be writing a proposal for Councilmember Johnson to be the liaison representing the City at the Brown’s Creek Watershed District meetings.
- F. **Staff:** City Clerk Pinski reported that the occupant at 14224 57th Street North was chosen as the recycling award winner.

III. **Visitors/Public Comment:** None

IV. **Consent Agenda:**

- A. Approve Bills & Investments
- B. Approve City Council Minutes – February 19, 2019
- C. Approve City Council Worksession Notes – February 19, 2019
- D. Approve Resolution Authorizing Ducks Unlimited – St. Croix Valley to Conduct a One-Day Raffle on May 2, 2019 at Heights Hall & Club
- E. Approve Aaron Bye to Second Full Term on the Parks Commission
- F. Approve License for Sale and Storage of Fireworks at Menards #3129
- G. Approve Renewal of Consumption and Display Permit for St. Croix Yacht Club
- H. Approve JPA for Fuel Contract 2019

Councilmember Runk, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren, moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call vote taken. Carried 4-0.

V. **Public Hearings:** None

VI. **Old Business:** None

VII. **New Business:**

- A. **RFP Lobbying – Norell Ave.:** City Administrator Johnson reported that the City received two responses to an RFP for lobbying services: one from Messerli Kramer for \$26,000 and one from Lockridge Grindal Nauen for \$20,000.

Councilmember Runk, seconded by Councilmember Dougherty, moved to hire Lockridge Grindal Nauen. Carried 5-0.

- B. **Lookout Tower – Park Commission Action:** Councilmember Johnson reported that the Parks Commission wanted to see an engineering review of the stair structure and a rendering of the structure at the site before making a recommendation. City Administrator Johnson reported that Stantec provided a memo outlining proposed costs for the review and rendering totaling \$3,600.

Councilmember Runk, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, moved to approve the expenditure of \$3,600. Carried 4-0, Councilmember Dougherty abstained.

- C. **58th Street and Stillwater Blvd – Project Award:** City Engineer Mann reported that the City received and opened seven bids that day. He said

the lowest bidder was Miller Excavating in the amount of \$216,071.20. He recommended that if the City wanted to make an award that they award to the lowest bidder.

Councilmember Dougherty, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren, moved to award the project to Miller Excavating. Carried 5-0.

- D. Consider Support for Proposed Legislation: Recommended and Ordered Values & Community Energy Transition Grants: Councilmember Runk, seconded by Councilmember Johnson moved to pass a Resolution supporting HF1856 and SF1901. Roll call vote taken. Carried 5-0.

Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren, moved to support SF1888 and HF1919. Roll call vote taken. Carried 5-0.

Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren, moved to approve the Resolution for Community Energy Grants. Roll call vote taken. Carried 5-0.

- E. Ridgecrest Development – Land Exchange: Councilmember Dougherty, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, moved to authorize staff to execute the Quit Claim Deed subject to final review and approval of the City Attorney. Carried 5-0.

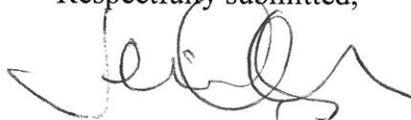
- F. Approve Final Payment to Lametti & Sons – Sunnyside Lift Station: Public Works Director Kegley reported that staff ordered larger impellers and subsequently noticed the check valves were sticking. He said staff, the contractor, and the engineering firm agreed to split the cost three ways for the inspection and repair of the faulty check valves.

Councilmember Dougherty, seconded by Councilmember Runk, moved to approve the final payment. Carried 5-0.

VIII. Other Council Items or Announcements: None

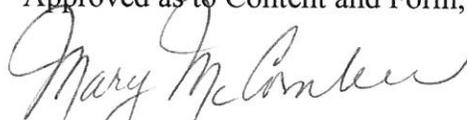
- IX. Adjourn:** Councilmember Dougherty, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren, moved to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Pinski
City Clerk

Approved as to Content and Form,



Mary McComber
Mayor