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## Bluff Line Shoreline Ordinance

Engineer's planner submitted a proposal for a shoreline ordinance. Administrator had been working on drafting said ordinance. She was to complete proposal for council consideration. Council discussed gearing development down and review issue to gain a better perspective. Developer had agreed with cost reimbursement agreement regarding proposed subdivision. Attorney drafted agreement concerning reimbursement and indemnification for council review. Motion was made and carried approving agreement.

## Presume?

Performance review summaries for city staff were reviewed by the council. Objectives were reviewed as well as work plans.

Administrator reviewed compiled work load list. Suggestion was made that voice mail be utilized.

## Food and Fuel?

Public Hearing was held on Conditional Use Permit for convenience store/gas station. Resolution adopted approving Conditional Use Permit for food/fuel.

## Water Tower

Council questioned state requirements to grant money for the water tower restoration. Survey was to be done to redefine the land in order for the city to have authority concerning balance of land. Motion was made and carried authorizing signature of declaration restricting title to the water tower property and letter of agreement governing use of historic site.

## Disclaimer

The preliminary unapproved minutes from the City of Carver's council meetings were referenced to compose the Villager Tower.

## Fiscal Services

Administrator informed the council of re-searching property taxes. Council reviewed study and computer program showing tax capacities. Ehler's preliminary cash flow and debt analysis for municipal utilities and property tax. Council was also informed of necessity for second well for safety reasons. An increase in municipal utilities rates and a goal that connection charges not be used for operation of utilities was set. Suggestion was submitted to conduct a rate survey with surrounding cities. Council discussed these issues further.

Ehlers discussed cash flow numbers for financing municipal utilities improvements. Conclusion was that improvement should be financed by increasing user fees as it is city wide benefit. Numbers were reviewed.

## Municipal Utilities

Municipal Utilities operator agrees with decision that the extra hook up charges for utilities be deposited into capitol accounts for future expansion. Operations should be covered with sewer fees. Motion was made and carried authorizing entire connection fees be deposited into capitol accounts for utilities.

Operator updated council on black water connection status.

Motion was made and carried accepting bid for installation of public utilities at Carver Bluffs Park.

Council was asked to consider an ordinance regarding lawn sprinkling. Motion was made and carried scheduling Public Hearing regarding lawn sprinkling.

## Animal Control?

Citizens were present to object to Animal Ordinance being proposed. Lengthy discussion was held on ordinance. Council will monitor situation and review in the near future.

Animal control officer requested submission for bill to patrol one hour per week. This was to be done on a trial basis. Motion was made and carried to schedule patrol temporarily.

## Public Works Report

Inspection of the historic public works building has been conducted. Repairs are necessary for more than just the roof. Repair costs have not been budgeted for 1997. Roof estimate repairs will be prepared. Other repair estimates will be reviewed at a later date.

A sprinkling ban could be put into effect within city if water usage becomes critical. Attorney was directed to put such ban in ordinance form. Notification would be by large sign placed at water tower site and publication in Chaska "Herald"

Motion was made and carried adopting amended Sprinkling Ban Ordinance by roll call vote.

Council discussed wells which should be capped. State is discussing a law requiring private wells be capped if new wells are drilled.

Public Works employee presented quotes for pick up. Council discussed the issue at length. Motion was made and carried authorizing purchase of pick up.

Council reviewed problems with septic tank problems at RiverSide Park. Council requested five year plan on usage of Park from Park and Recreation Board.

Employee reported that Public Utilities has taken possession of new pick up. The old pick up is in bad shape.

## Eagle Ridge Trail?

Representatives were present to discuss developer's proposal regarding Eagle Ridge Trail. It was the consensus of homeowners of the trail not being constructed and to hook up to black water system. Recommendation was submitted to obtain homeowners' signatures agreeing to change to a black water system and forfeiting the trail. The statement would be prepared.

## Bridge Replacement

Programs were discussed that could be utilized to replace the 3rd and Main Street bridges. Resolution was adopted by roll call vote for bridge replacement.

## *Waste Water Treatment Plant*

Council discussed Design Phase and low interest loan for treatment plant. An Environmental Assessment Worksheet will be required. An in depth discussion ensued.

Executive Director discussed potential grant application for treatment plant by outlining process for application. City needs to survey residents since fifty one percent needs to be low/moderate income to apply for funds. Most grants would probably be granted to cities which had been flooded. Opinion was that other cities had greater need. Council consensus was not to attempt application for grant.

Engineers presented the council design documents for the waste water treatment facility. Council reviewed this paperwork. There have been cost increases. This issue would be discussed in the future and how this will affect financing. Motion was made and carried to submit plans to the PCA for approval.

## *Board of Review*

Several citizens were present to discuss valuations on their homes. Council had a general discussion on property valuations and taxes.

## *Fire Department*

Fire Department discussed hazard of one fire truck and inquired about repairs or replacement. Motion was made and carried authorizing repairs be made. Other equipment may be also repaired at low cost.

## *Town Line Road*

Carver County has delayed extension of TownLine Road to County Road #40. Engineer has been directed to draft letter to the county concerning the need for this extension. It was the council's contention that the county's road budget had failed upon States redirected funds decision.

## *Street Lights*

Heritage Preservation Commission submitted recommendation for new street lights with proposal from a private company. Operation costs were discussed. Sidewalks should be replaced at the same time as construction of street lights proposed public works director. Comprehensive report is to be drafted.

## *Erosion*

Citizen had made repair for erosion on Spring Creek which is believed to be city's property which is now eroding. Request was submitted that repairs in area be made. More information is necessary for council decision in future repairs. Discussion of issue was pursued.

## *Miscellaneous*

Greg Aamodt has been appointed to the Planning Commission by motion.

Northern Flights contract has been accepted for maintenance of Mt Hope Cemetery by motion. Inquiry was made concerning their assistance in the parks.

School representative requested pictures, maps, calendars and the like from city in honor of the homeroom named at school in honor of the city.

Carver County Planning is reviewing Mueller's request which will be adding an additional twenty acres to present site.

Administrator requested submittal approval for park grant application and trail grant. Motion was made and carried authorizing submittal for park grant application for Carver Bluffs and trail grant for Carver Creek corridor.

Fire Services Agreement with Mn Valley National Wildlife Refuge was discussed.

Administrator and Engineer explained the Comprehensive Storm Water Plan which would be for the entire city and different charges. This would be paid with General Funds. It needs to be budgeted for and the estimated cost would be about \$200,000.

Carver-On-The-Minnesota requested funds for the old Presbyterian Church. Motion was made and carried authorizing loan to the organization.

## *Minnegasco Franchise Agreement*

The Franchise Agreement between Minnegasco and the city has expired after twenty five years. Proposal was submitted that the '68 agreement remain in effect until a new agreement is created. Question was posed if agreement was necessary. More time was needed to review this agreement. Approval for legal services was requested. Motion was made and carried authorizing work to research necessity of agreement. Representative explained that agreement spells out how work is to be done in city.

## *Community Policing Program*

Administrator explained Community Policing Program. The additional officer's salary would be subsidized for 75% for three years with the city responsible for the balance of salary. These funds did not include equipment necessary. The county's department could apply for this for the city. Another program could be utilized for equipment needed. Council was interested in researching plan through sheriff's department. Question was asked about cooperating with the Chaska Police or several cities sharing an officer. Administrator was directed to research matter.

## *Dike Improvements*


Motion was made and carried to increase the dike elevation to thirty eight feet and work with corps of engineer for the 80/20 grant to widen the dike at a later date.





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