



## *Public Works Report*

The council was updated on the work being done at the Church-By-The-River site. It was thought that the earliest meetings could be held in the building would be late spring.

Meetings have been held with Mueller's discussing property to be acquired by the city. Request for surveys have been made and some staking has occurred.

Council approval was requested approving allowing the Chan/Chaska Soccer Club to use Bluff Park. There would be approximately seven hundred participants using the field probably three nights a week, plus weekends. The age group would be up to 12 years old. The Park and Recreation Board agreed to a one-year trial use. Motion was made and carried approving the Park and Recreation Board's recommendation for use of the multi-use field by the Chan/Chaska Soccer Club.

Soccer equipment purchase was discussed. The Park and Recreation Board submitted a recommendation to purchase one set of combination movable soccer goals and two sets of twelve-foot soccer goals. The Public Works Director had been checking into this purchase and receipt of quotes for equipment. It was his opinion that more time was necessary to get more quotes.

More information and quotes had been received and reviewed. Motion was made and carried approving purchase of soccer equipment.

## *Public Safety*

Two representatives from the Carver County Sheriff's Department were at the council meeting to discuss the reports with the city. Sergeant Kamerud will be the liaison for the city this year. One council member stated that time paid for by the city is accounted for in the report.

The pilot program for the city was explained. The mayor inquired if this program would be used in the future to help determine contract times for all the contracted cities. The council was told that this program would be used for that purpose.

**"February is merely as long as is needed to pass the time until March"**  
- Dr J R Stockton

## *Fire Station/Public Works Facilities*

The council was told that soil borings were needed for construction of the Fire Station/ Public Works Facilities. Requests for proposals were forwarded and three quotes were received. Motion was made and carried awarding the Geotechnical Exploration Work for the facilities to GME Consultants, Inc.

The council discussed design of the buildings. In-floor and overhead heating were reviewed once again. In-floor was more expensive, but the operation and maintenance was less. This information is planned to be discussed further. Ground breaking for the facilities is being tentatively planned for May of 2003.

The council reviewed the resolution providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds. The financial consultant representing the city stated that four bids had been received for the bond sale. Notation was made that the tax impact should be less on taxpayers. Motion was made and carried adopting resolution providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Fire Station and Public Works Facility Bonds, Series 2003 and levying a tax for the payment.

## *Residential Districts Ordinance*

The council discussed the Planning Commission's recommendation for amendments to the residential district's ordinance. The city planner explained to the council the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the proposed Ordinance Amendment updating the Zoning Ordinance. The council discussed the issue. Motion was made and carried adopting the ordinance amending sections relating to residential zoning districts.

## *Miscellaneous*

The council was told that the Trinity Lutheran Church and Growth Resource were contemplating a senior building in the area of County Road #40 and Lime Street. It was the mayor's opinion that this was not an appropriate area for senior housing at this time because of the lack of transportation, stores and other amenities.

The council briefly discussed the issue of an agreement for on-site septic inspection - with the county. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving entering an agreement with Carver County Environmental Services Department for on-site septic inspection services.

## *Downtown Improvement Project*

The council discussed the Downtown Improvement Project bid received. The bid was higher than any, which were received last year and this amount, was questioned. The response the engineer was given for the reason of an increase in bids was that contractor's costs had risen since last year. The lowest bid received was \$259,904.51. Due to winter, it was anticipated that there would be lower bids. Since there is county involvement in the funding process, this quote would also need approval from the County Board. The bid issues will need to be reviewed, whereupon recommendation preparations will be conducted as to addressing higher costs.

The council once again discussed the 'bump outs' at intersections. These 'bump outs' would eliminate parking spots. Due to safety and historical reasoning, it was a council member's opinion that these 'bump outs' should be removed from the plans.

The council was told that the Carver County Board of Commissioners approved the Downtown Improvement Project for the City of Carver. Motion was made and carried accepting the low bid from SM Hentges for the Downtown Improvement Project in the amount of \$231,292.91. The discussion continued with statement of the staff's concern with this contractor conducting the work. The county was to be made aware of the city's concern. The fact would also be brought to the contractor's attention. It would prove difficult not to accept the lowest bid. A performance bond is in place.

## *Bev Swanson Appreciation Day*

Bev Swanson is ill again. We all need to get our 'karma' in one spot and 'will' her well. Seriously, please take a moment to say a prayer and think of her, wishing her good health. A benefit is being planning on her behalf. Ask any business in town where to get tickets or friends of Bev. Linda Riesgraf and Mary Sexton, I have been told are in charge. There will be silent auction and a meat raffle. The benefit will be held on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall from Noon to 6 PM.. Donation is \$10; children 6 - 12 - \$5, children 5 and under free. Be sure to come.



## *RiverSide Park Appraisal*

The Park and Recreation Board have had discussions regarding potential land swap involving RiverSide Park and a DNR parcel. The US Fish and Wildlife representative stated that this cannot be done because the board is looking at parcels of land owned by the MN DNR and asking the US Fish and Wildlife to take over River Side Park. Two separate transactions would be necessary.

The Fish and Wildlife Service could do an in-house appraisal of the park at no expense to the city. Then the city would have base information on the value of the property for further discussions or planning for possible purchase of other park lands. The Park and Recreation Board was recommending that the US Fish and Wildlife Service complete an appraisal of River Side Park. Motion was made and carried for approval of the Fish and Wildlife Service performing an appraisal of RiverSide Park. Suggestion was also submitted to check into temporary campsite usage.

## *Highway #212/#312 and County Road #147*

MN Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is reviewing the issues of Highway #212, proposed new #312 and County Road #147. There were questions still concerning access to the proposed highway. The Administrator was directed to schedule a meeting with the Chaska Administrator for discussion of proposed highways.

Project Manager, Brian Isaacson and Roger Gustafson, Carver County Engineer, and Ms Lisa Freese from MnDot were all at the council meeting to talk with the council regarding the Highway #41 Corridor Study. The council was told that the location for a new bridge, which would probably replace the present Highway #41 bridge as a major river crossing, was being reviewed. This project is not in the MnDot's twenty-year-plan, but MnDot wants to find a location and preserve the corridor. Attempts are being made to keep the public informed by sending monthly reports. Question was asked who receives these reports. They are sent to local governments, cities, counties and the like. It was the department's hope that the reports would be forwarded to council, committees and newsletters to get the information to the public.

The Carver County Engineer was asked about County Road #147. Evaluations are being continued for all the contingencies and hope to move ahead with the connection this summer. The county engineer was told about the proposal for the new Fire Station on the present county road. If the new county road is not connected to County Road #40 then the residents of San Francisco Township will be further from fire protection.

There was also brief discussion about the County Road #40 bridge repair/replacement proposal in conjunction with the #147 County Road Project. The bridge is part of the whole project and would be completed at the same time as the connection was made with County Roads #40 and #147. There was also a brief review of the intersection of County Road #147 and the new #212/#312 corridor proposal.

## *Water Treatment Plant*

The mayor inquired whether or not there should a committee formed for the water treatment plant design. The council was updated on the progress of the water treatment plant. The design of the building was relayed to the council. A rock face block would match the well house. Type of security and lighting was questioned. The lights would be in the soffit and by the garage door. Fencing was talked about for the water tower, pump house and treatment plant. One recommendation was painted chain link fencing rather than galvanized. Suggestion was also submitted that lights be put in the back of the building.

The engineer told the council that a sanitary sewer line would be needed at the treatment plant. Then the discussion was held regarding the process to update Mt Hope Road with sewer. A Public Hearing would be necessary for this project. A March meeting to be chosen for this purpose was talked about. The Feasibility Study update for Mt Hope Road was asked about. The council would be discussing this shortly. Motion was made and carried scheduling the Public Hearing for the project on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The council discussed the Forner Eminent Domain Resolution. Motion was made and carried adopting resolution determining necessity of acquiring property in conjunction with the construction of the water treatment facility.

The council reviewed the Bond Reimbursement Resolution. The city attorney recommended adoption of this resolution in order to obtain reimbursements for expenditures on specific project without any difficulties that are funded out of bond proceeds generated later in the year. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution relating to financing proposed projects establishing compliance with reimbursement bond regulations under the Internal Revenue Code.

Suggestion was submitted that the public information meeting be held prior to the scheduled Public Hearing concerning the Mt Hope Road. A Feasibility Study draft should be done. The council reviewed the issues and decisions necessary. The different phases of the road was reviewed involving installation of street lights and/or trails as shown in the Comprehensive Plan. Recommendation was submitted to change the Public Hearing date. Question was asked if the financial impact figures would be ready for the public if an information meeting was scheduled. Motion was made and carried rescheduling the Public Hearing for the 17<sup>th</sup> of March and on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, hold an Informational Meeting for the Mt Hope Improvement Project.



## *Tentative Agenda*

March 17 2003

6:30 PM Village Hall

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve Agenda
- 3) Petitions From Residents
- 4) Consent Agenda
- 5) Public Safety
- 6) Public Works Report  
Municipal Utilities Report
- 7) City Engineer/Planner Reports
- 8) Administrative Reports
- 9) Liaison Reports
- 10) Other Business
- 11) Adjourn

## *Carver Community Youth Baseball/Softball Association*

Anyone who has registrations for BaseBall/SoftBall please get them turned into City Hall for processing as soon as possible. Watch for upcoming reports and news.

## *Carver Lions*

The BullHead Feed was a success again! Thanks to everyone who participated. As Always everyone had a good time.

The next big event for the Carver Lions is the Pancake, French Toast and Homemade Sausage Breakfast. The is scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup>, Sunday. Again, there will be diabetic screening offered at no charge to those interested. Remember, if you want to have this test, you must fast prior to coming to the Village Hall for breakfast. The cost of the breakfast is \$5. for adults, \$2 for 6-12 year olds and 6 and under can eat free. It's always for a good cause. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 AM to 1 PM.

The Lions have had many new members join the group and they are very happy about this. Thanks are extended to the new members. More are always welcome!!!

The Lions will also be kicking off the Easter Egg Hunt again. This event is planned for Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>. The time is to be yet determined. The Easter Bunny will also be there to help with the Easter Egg Hunt. Where will you find the Easter Bunny and all the fun, why at the City Park in beautiful downtown Carver by the Gazebo. See you there!!

## *YellowPone Raccoons*

No report this month.

**"Nothing is waste of time if you use the experience wisely."**



## Fire Department and Community Calendar

### March 2003

- March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Happy Birthday Cindy!  
Happy Birthday Sunny!
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Council Meeting
- March 5<sup>th</sup> - Ash Wednesday  
Lions Meeting  
Happy Birthday Karen!
- March 6<sup>th</sup> - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting  
Drill Night 6:30 PM
- March 10<sup>th</sup> - Park and Recreation Board Meeting  
Happy Birthday Sandy!
- March 12<sup>th</sup> - SteamBoat Meeting
- March 13<sup>th</sup> - Happy Birthday Andrea!
- March 15<sup>th</sup> - Happy Anniversary Ron and Karen!
- March 17<sup>th</sup> - Drill Night 6:30 PM  
St Patrick's Day
- March 18<sup>th</sup> - Council Meeting
- March 19<sup>th</sup> - Lions Meeting
- March 20<sup>th</sup> - First Day of Spring
- March 24<sup>th</sup> - Happy Birthday Keith!
- March 25<sup>th</sup> - Planning Commission Meeting  
Happy Birthday Bette!
- March 26<sup>th</sup> - Happy Birthday James!  
Happy Birthday Beth!
- March 27<sup>th</sup> - Fire Department Meeting
- March 30<sup>th</sup> - Happy Birthday Paul!

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