

Monday, August 23, 2023 6:00 PM
CITY OF MINNETONKA BEACH
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Roll Call: Mayor Joe Pagano; Council Members: Tracey Breazeale, Chris Dovolis, Jennifer Halverson, and Treasurer Chris Zinn

Staff Present: City Administrator Heidi Honey, and City Clerk Jane Burgess

Guests: Jason Mohr

1. Mayor Pagano called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Resolution 2023 – 29 – Appointment of Council Member to Fill Vacant Seat and Oath of Office
Mayor Pagano presented the published process that will be followed at this meeting for interviewing the sole applicant, Jason Mohr, for the City Council seat vacated by Sharma.

Mohr presented his background, career information as an attorney, and reasons for applying for the council member seat. There was no public comment and no public in attendance.

Council members asked Mohr questions including explaining what kind of law he practices to which Mohr stated his focus is product liability and defense as a partner for Foley Mansfield Law Firm, which was founded by the late Stephen Foley of Minnetonka Beach.

Halverson asked Mohr if his job requires him to travel a lot, and he stated that no he does not travel much anymore for work.

Breazeale asked Mohr what areas seem most exciting serving as a City Council member and what areas might be not as desirable. Mohr responded that he watched the process that took place when the playground was donated to Half Moon Park, and he found that experience to be more fiery than expected and did not expect all the friction that took place in the community. He has been an active member of the Minnetonka Beach Utilities Commission and is very aware that the City has aging infrastructure needs that must be addressed. He stated that the various areas that need attention from watermains to roads need prioritization. He added that the City should also seek governmental funding for these improvements and look into grant opportunities.

Pagano asked council members, Treasurer Zinn, and staff to introduce themselves and give a brief personal and professional summary to Mohr.

Halverson motion, Breazeale second to Approve Resolution 2023 - 29 Council Member Appointment for Jason Mohr to Fill the Vacant City Council Seat. All ayes, the motion carried.

Clerk Burgess read Mohr his Oath of Office and swore him into office as Council Member.

3. Approve Minutes –

3.1. Regular Meeting of July 10, 2023

Dovolis noted a typo at the bottom of page two and Burgess corrected the mistake.

Breazeale motion, Halverson second to approve the July 10, 2023 City Council meeting minutes as amended. All ayes, the motion carried.

4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1. **Resolution 2023 – 30** – Authorizing Summary publication of Ord. No. 143, 2nd Series – Use of Tobacco and Cannabis in Public Places
- 4.2. **Resolution 2023 – 31** - Accepting Donation to the City – Tree in Memory of Frank and Audrey Zelle

Halverson motion, Breazeale second to approve the Consent Agenda. All ayes, the motion carried.

5. Adjourn

Dovolis motion, Halverson second to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE – The following people signed the attendance sheet: none

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Burgess, City Clerk