

**CITY OF MINNETONKA BEACH
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2013**

Roll Call: Mayor Joann Anderson, Council Members: Jill Bartel, Jaci Lindstrom, Rick Skalla, and Mike Taylor

Absent: Treasurer Randy Gilster

Staff Present: City Administrator, Susanne Griffin; City Clerk, Diane Tiegs; and Public Works Director, Ben Young; City Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier; and City Attorney Wally Hilke

Guests: Orono Police Sergeant Jim Cornick, Three Rivers Park District (TRPD) Assistant Superintendent Boe Carlson, TRPD Officer Cory Jurgenson, Kirby Beck, and Mark Janovek, Stantec, Steve Johnson Engineer Representative for 3130 Brooks Lane.

Residents: Pam Scott, Edith Heidtmann, Johnny Whitaker, Lee and Lisa Goehring, Jan Snyder, Cheryl Boldon, Rachel Hunt, Tianna Ramaker, Patty Rezabek, Andrew Myers, Jeff Steinke, Betsy Myers, Bob Johnson, Janet and Brad Jans, Bob Beutler, Rosemary King, David Boschwitz, Alan Carlson, Linn Ferguson, Leonard McKinnon.

- 1. Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.**
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout David Boschwitz.**
- 3. Approve Agenda**

A motion was made by Council Member Bartel and seconded by Council Member Lindstrom to approve the agenda as amended. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

- 3.1. Council Meeting Action Notes
Council reviewed the Action Notes. No discussion

- 4. Approve Minutes Member Bartel**

A motion was made by Council Member Lindstrom and seconded by Council Member Taylor to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of July 8, 2013, as amended with the additional language. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

- 5. Recognition of Outgoing Commissioners**
Rose King, Planning Commissioner, was presented a Certificate of Appreciation for her years of service on the Planning Commission and Mayor Anderson hopes she will serve the community in another capacity in the future.
- 6. Open Forum**
 - 6.1. David Boschwitz – Update on Arcola Bridge Dock area project
Boy Scout David Boschwitz reported to Council on his Eagle Scout project at the Arcola dock area. The work has started with buckthorn and prickly ash removal along with trash. Small flags will be placed to indicate the new tree planting locations. Currently the plan is to plant 18 Staghorn Sumac

and 8 Dogwood trees to help alleviate the embankment erosion. Three Rivers Park District will deliver plants to the project on Wednesday August 14th. Planting of the trees will begin on Thursday August 15. The project is funded through donations and checks can be made payable to the City. There will be approximately 10-20 volunteers each day to help with the project.

6.2 Bob Johnson, 3120 Brooks Lane, addressed Council regarding the removal of a water main that runs through the middle of his lot. He was told at the last meeting that he will receive a copy of the implied use easement letter from the City Attorney. Research was done by Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier and the information will be forwarded to the City Attorney. Mr. Johnson will receive the information when it becomes available.

7. Public Hearing – Wellhead Protection Part 2 – Mark Janovek, Stantec

Mayor Anderson opened the Wellhead Protection Part 2 Public Hearing.

Mark Janovek of Stantec stated the purpose for the Wellhead Protection Plan Part 2 is to assure safe drinking water. Every city in the State is required to have a plan. Minnetonka Beach has low a probability of contamination. The Wellhead Protection Plan Part 2 looks for potential sources that could cause contamination of the drinking water. Private or unidentified wells within Minnetonka Beach should be inspected and sealed. The State has grant funds available to seal wells. The public should be educated on what to look for to identify wells. Public Works Director Young is aware of two wells in the City. Mr. Janovek will send Minnetonka Beach's plan to the Department of Health for review and approval. Council Member Taylor inquired as to what other actions the City is responsible for taking. Mr. Janovek responded that since the City has low vulnerability for contamination further action will be minimal. The Wellhead Protection Plan is updated every ten years.

There was no further discussion. Mayor Anderson closed the Public Hearing.

8. Police Report

8.1. Police Report – July

Orono Police Sergeant Cornick reviewed the July incident report. There was discussion regarding the issue of trail users parking their cars on a no parking area located on Arcola Lane. Sergeant Cornick stated the increase of parking cars could be in part from the vehicles that previously used the parking area closed by the City of Orono located near the trail by Shadywood Road. Mayor Anderson stated the parking has become more of an issue. Mayor Anderson would like the Orono Police to enforce the no parking signs and Public Works Director Young will assure the area is properly signed. A message will be included in email blasts to residents reminding them if they see a violation to call the police.

8.2. Three Rivers Park District Report – Boe Carlson, guest Kirby Beck

Assistant Superintendent Carlson said the City of Orono decided to close the parking area on Shadywood Road by the trail. Three Rivers Park District Staff worked with them to get the information out to trail users. Authorized parking areas have been established for trail users and are located in Wayzata, Mound, Spring Park, Galewoods Farm, and St. Bonifacious. If graffiti is noticed on the Arcola Bridge please call TRPD and they will correct the problem. TRPD Police Officer Cory Jurgenson reported 47 calls with 16 - 17 biking related incidents and the rest were a wide variety. The last trail saturation effort will be the end of August.

Bike safety expert, Kirby Beck, spoke to Council about his observations on the Dakota Trail. Mr. Beck was a Coon Rapids Police Officer for 28 years and is the founder of Police on Bikes. He relayed to Council that the trail is beautiful but with all the stop signs trail users are being trained not to stop. Cyclists build up their momentum and do not like to stop unless they absolutely have to.

Mr. Beck reviewed the stop signs along the trail in Minnetonka Beach and said the signs have to have a legal basis, and most of the trail stop signs in Minnetonka Beach are not legal. There are three exceptions that are warranted, Lake/Westwood Roads, Northview/Westwood Roads and Woodbridge Road, the rest have no legal basis and are not enforceable.

Mr. Beck stated that earlier Council discussion of yield signs would not work. Yield signs are intended to yield to the most vulnerable. Right of way is for the fastest traffic, in the case of the driveways on the trail, legally driveway traffic must yield. The trail is a public right of way and driveways are private, so public traffic has the right of way.

The lack of visibility is due to buckthorn mostly on the Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority property. Clearing of the vegetative screen would help. Speed bumps would be a very bad idea. During an incident in Brooklyn Park a public worker was watering plants and a bicyclist hit the hose, crashed, and broke his neck.

At each end of Minnetonka Beach there is signage as a warning to caution bicyclists of the driveways. Council Member Skalla asked is it fact or just custom that the right of way is given to the public and not private. Mr. Beck said traffic watches out for the most vulnerable, which would be the trail users. Minnetonka Beach residents need to change the thought process regarding trail users because they are the most vulnerable. The biggest obstacle is how to reduce the bikers speed. To enforce a speed limit is difficult yet unreasonable speed puts other trail users at risk.

Mayor Anderson thanked Mr. Beck for the information presented to Council and stated it will be a difficult task which will be discussed by Council at a later date.

Assistant Superintendent Carlson will send a copy of Mr. Beck's report to Susanne. Officer Cornick reminded everyone that the trail closes at 10 p.m. but could be closed at dusk for safety reasons if that would help the situation. Trail users could be given administrative tickets if they are on the trail after 10 p.m.

9. Consent Agenda

9.1. Fire Report – July

9.2. Resolution 2013 – 24 Set Truth in Taxation Hearing December 9, 2013

9.3. Resolution 2013 – 25 Appointing Carmen Carruthers, Lee Goehring and Andrew Myers to Planning Commission

Mayor Anderson commented how pleased she is to welcome the new Planning Commissioners Andrew Myers, Lee Goehring, and Carmen Carruthers along with Jody Sperduto and Amy Johnson as Co-Chairs for the Parks Commission, and Park Commissioner Patty Rezabek will oversee the Emerald Ash Borer treatment strategy.

9.4. Resolution 2013 – 26 Re-Appoint Amy Johnson to the Park Commission

9.5. Hennepin County Election Equipment Lease Agreement

9.6. Special Event Permit Application – St. Martin's Church – August 25, 2013 – Swimming Beach

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Bartel to approve the Consent Agenda. With all members voting in favor the motion carried.

10. Treasurer's Report

10.1. Consider Motion to Approve Checks

City Administrator Griffin provided an updated check list. Check numbers 14081 and 14082 were reimbursement checks to residents for the summer flowers and improvement projects at the dock area. The largest expenditure is for check number 14079 payable to the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust which is the City's liability, excess liability, and insurance policy. Due to the early meeting date in July the Excel Energy utility bill is for two months of service. Mayor Anderson asked if a portion of the seal coating project would be paid out of the bond funds. City Administrator Griffin stated that \$27,000 of seal coating will be paid from the bond funds with the remaining amount being paid from the budgeted funds in the Capital Improvement Plan. Council Member Taylor complimented Public Works Director Young on the nice job for seal coating. City Administrator Griffin stated the project was slightly over the \$54,000 budgeted and came in at \$55,000.

A motion made by Council Member Lindstrom to approve the August 56 checks numbered 14028 through 14083 in the amount of \$172,629.81, and seconded by Council Member Bartel. With all members voting in favor the motion carried.

10.2. YTD Budget Report and Previous Year Comparison Report

City Administrator Griffin reviewed the year to date budget report. Council stated the budget looked good and is on track with projections. Building permit revenues have increased with new construction under way, but expenses for plan review and inspections have also increased.

10.3. 2014 Preliminary Budget (FYI only)-no information provided.

11. Planning and Zoning

11.1. Resolution 2013 – 27 Consider Front Setback Variance – Goehring 2423 Woodbridge Road (Lot 207 and Lot 208)

Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier addressed Council stating the action requested is to approve Resolution 2013-27. The Planning Commission is recommending the front setback variance with the following amendments to the resolution:

- Eliminate paragraph 3 (e) A storm water flooding issue exists in this area and the City Engineer has indicated that the public storm water facilities located in Lafayette Road and on private property are at capacity. The Engineer has recommended that the storm water issue be addressed satisfactory before a building permit is issued for either of the lots of record, and
- Modify paragraph, "Before building permits are issued for either lot 207 or 208....the Applicant shall work with the City Engineer and surrounding neighbors so as to not worsen existing storm water issues."

Council Member Lindstrom asked how storm water flow is measured and what if the storm water issue increases. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier stated there is a requirement that the project does not increase the storm water drainage issues from what it is today, drainage must be contained on the property or drained so it does not create a problem elsewhere. Council Member Skalla asked if we grant the variance and there is a problem how is it remedied. If the work is not done per the submitted model the builder is in violation of the building permit and a certificate of

occupancy will not be issued until corrected. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier also stated that they are within the hardcover requirements for each of the lots.

A motion made by Council Member Taylor to approve Resolution 2013 – 27 Granting the Front Setback Variance – Goehring 2423 Woodbridge Road (Lot 207 and Lot 208), and seconded by Council Skalla Member. With all members voting in favor the motion carried.

11.2. Consider Ordinance Amendment No. 92, 2nd Series amending City Code Section 512:

Adopting MN State Building Code, Demolition and Other Building Regulations

Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier is recommending a change - for development to occur there must be capacity in the existing public system. A process would be set up for which the City Engineer will create criteria for review. Due to the changes of lot size and sewer hook ups over the years this is another tool to assure that water is properly addressed and not overloading the current system. Mayor Anderson addressed Council stating this is not asking for anything unreasonable. The City is responsible to pay for system overload and damages if the amendment is not adopted. Rather than the homeowner creating the added burden, Council Member Taylor asked what this amendment does that we currently are not already doing. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier stated it provides an additional tool to assure the City system is not overloaded.

Engineer Amundsen stated it would take something very massive to over tax the capacity. Issues may arise if someone on the top of a hill tied into the sewer system and could possibly cause a capacity issue as more properties split and develop. Mayor Anderson asked Engineer Amundsen how long it would take to develop the criteria. He stated it could be included as part of the water capacity study should the city move forward with that. Council Member Bartel asked if setting the standards puts the City in a liability position. City Attorney Hilke stated that the City would not be put in a liability situation. Council Member Skalla asked why the Planning Commission originally wanted to table this resolution. Council Member Bartel stated the Planning Commission discussion became so broad and were concerned precedence could be set.

Council Member Taylor asked Mr. Ward Myers what is the concerning issue and why did the Planning Commission want to delay action. Mr. Myers said his concerns what if a resident is subdividing and selling lots then after the lots are purchased a permit could be denied. This causes problems and concerns of all the unknowns making it difficult to sell the property. Council Member Skalla would like Planning Commission Chair Steinke to attend the next Council meeting and explain the concerns. Mayor Anderson stated that with additional homes being built we need to assure that we do not create further water problems and tax the City infrastructure.

Council Member Taylor asked Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier if this was a tool so we do not create further issues. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier stated this will say in the code the builder has to do certain things to assure that the building lot grading does not overload the utility system capacity. This also gives the engineer the opportunity to work with the builder. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier explained the issues need to be solved before they become issues. Resident Patty Rezabek does not want the Myers project stalled. A city wide study will take 3-4 months and provide good information for consideration before initiating a policy. Lee Goehring stated that at the Planning Commission meeting the feeling was to have another open discussion because residents would be very concerned if this went through. Council Member Lindstrom stated she does not feel prepared to vote on this resolution. Council Member Taylor has concerns with making best efforts with water run-off. He doesn't know why this is so time sensitive. He is not ready to vote on this. Council Member Skalla would like to hear from the Planning Commission.

A motion made by Council Member Lindstrom and seconded by Council Member Skalla to table Ordinance Amendment No. 92, 2nd Series amending City Code Section 512: Adopting MN State Building Code, Demolition and Other Building Regulations and at the September 9, 2013, City Council meeting hold a public hearing with the Planning Commission and City Engineer present for further review of the resolution. With all members voting in favor the motion carried.

12. Old Business

12.1. 2014 – 2018 Capital Improvement Program and Capital Asset Finance Policy

- Park Commission Chair Patty Rezabek and Commissioner Jody Sperduto spoke to Council about Emerald Ash Borer and treatment. Treatment needs to happen but there are not enough funds to treat every tree. A determination will need to be made based on the tree location, their value, overall health when deciding to treat for EAB. The Parks Commission is requesting that the CIP funding of \$10,000 continue annually for EAB treatment program.

The Parks Commission is using information and studies from the University of Minnesota's Department of Agriculture. The last recommendation is to review what trees are valued and treat, and what trees to take down. Park Commissioner Sperduto stated we can't afford to do everything. The tree inventory has identified 297 ash trees on public land but injection treatment for all the ash trees is not feasible neither is removal. The best approach is to hire a forester to access the trees and have Public Works Director Young remove trees that are 2-4 inch in diameter because they are the most vulnerable to lower the number of possible trees for infestation. Some trees make sense to remove, because they are damaged or not stable. The Beach Commons has 26 ash trees. When EAB infestation comes to Minnetonka Beach, the ash trees will be lost if they are not treated properly.

Currently the EAB infestation is 15.3 miles from Minnetonka Beach. The treatment project would start in phases, beginning with treatment of the most valuable trees using the \$250 chemical injections per tree, beginning in May of 2014. Commissioner Sperduto stated that education articles on EAB will be in the Beachcomber so residents understand the severity of EAB. The Park Commission could possibly arrange treatment at the resident's expense for those interested when the public trees are being treated. The Lafayette Club started drenching treatment last year and they are willing to join with the Minnetonka Beach treatment plan. The Park Commission is asking for Council support with the CIP request and assurance the funds can be used for injections, tree removal, and stump grinding. Commissioner Sperduto and a forester will assess the public ash trees to get a better idea of what trees need to be removed. Council Member Taylor commented the changing approach is to prevent trees from dying. Council Member Skalla stated the Parks Commission needs to prioritize and implement their plan. He challenges the Parks Commission to find the funding to have a forester assessment. He also would like to know the options of treatment that can be completed in 2014 for \$20,000. Council Member Skalla would like convincing evidence of treatment that should include participation from St. Martins Church, Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority, Lafayette Club, and residents of Minnetonka Beach. Park Commission will have \$20,000 for the EAB project in the CIP for 2014 and \$10,000 for 2015.

- Council discussed the upper Brooks Lane drainage on the CIP with an estimated cost of \$30,000. Engineer Darren Amundsen stated there are too many variables to pinpoint the cost. The \$30,000 is a preliminary estimate.

- The CIP Safe Pedestrian Crossing for CR 15 will be moved to the list of items for follow-up.
- Plow Truck & Snow Plow for 2014 recommendation of \$60,000 is requested by Public Works Director Young. He is looking for a used vehicle so the entire \$60,000 may not be needed.
- Leaf loader will be in the CIP for 2015.
- Planning Commission had inquired how often the water tower is painted. Public Works Director Young said every 7 to 8 years. The inside of the tower should be checked to assure it is alright.
- The tree replacement for 2015 of \$10,000 will remain in the CIP until the study is received from the forester.
- Arcola portion of the water main project and the water main improvements at west end looping are referred to the Finance Committee for review and recommendation.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Lindstrom to refer the Arcola portion of the water main project and the water main improvements at the west end looping to the Finance Committee. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

- The handicapped ramp repair estimates for the wall replacement is \$56,700 and the steps came in at \$2,890. Public Works Director Young will check to see what the cost would be to just repair a portion of the handicapped ramp that is damaged. Staff will research American Disabilities Act to see if there are grants available for the repairs. The stair repair will be put in the CIP for \$2,890 for 2014. The ramp repair will be further reviewed and discussed at a later date.

A motion was made by Council Member Bartel and seconded by Council Member Lindstrom to approve the Capital Improvement Program as amended. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Bartel to accept the July 7, 2013, proposed changes as recommended by the Finance Committee to the Capital Improvement Program and Capital Asset Financing policy. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

Engineer Steve Johnston, Northern Technologies Inc. and representative for Rachel Hunt, 3130 Brooks Lane has reviewed the possibility of an overland drainage option. He addressed Council and asked for field work and a feasibility study be done by the City for public improvement to see if overland drainage could work. He asked why would residents want to pay for drainage repairs if that alone will not solve the drainage problem? It would be a difficult task for residents experiencing drainage issues to approach the residents in the area that do not have drainage issues and ask for an easement to re-grade their property.

A city wide study could include rough costs for this option. He is requesting the City pay for a feasibility study for overland drainage. Once the study is completed Engineer Johnston and his clients Rachel Hunt and Cheryl Boldon would like to meet with the City to discuss options and how to pay for the project. They are not opposed to paying their portion of a drainage repair project but the City has to address drainage on City property. Mayor Anderson asked Engineer Amundsen if a City wide drainage would include 3130 Brooks Lane. If a study was to be done on just the Brooks Lane issue it would cost between \$3,000 to \$4,000 dollars.

Council Member Bartel asked Engineer Amundsen where the overland water would drain, to the north or northwest. Engineer Amundsen responded that better contours are needed to make that determination.

Resident Janet Jans asked if the Gipson's at 3103 Brooks Lane have been notified about the drainage issue discussion, because much of this discussion has been centered on the construction of their home in 2005. The Gipson's have not been notified at this time. Mrs. Jans would like to know if there have been special assessments for previous water improvements and who has paid for them. Since 2003 discussion of a special assessment petition signed by the residents on Brooks Lane would be the way to pay for the improvement project. Mrs. Jans wanted clarification that the water supply issue is not part of this discussion. Council Member Taylor stated that is a separate issue. She said this is an additional issue that needs to be looked at because it has also been delayed on each year. She also wanted to re-iterate that the water run-off situation has not lessened contrary to the hydrology report, it has increased.

Cheryl Boldon, Trustee for the Snyder Trust that purchased 3130 Brooks Lane. She stated that a petition for special assessments is not a feasible option. The property at 3130 Brooks Lane was purchased in March of 2013 and has flooded numerous times. She is very upset that the City did not inform her of water issues at the property. The Snyder Trust installed a French drain but it failed immediately. Ms. Boldon is requesting that the City take responsibility. This project is something that cannot be put on hold. This happens each time it rains.

Janet Snyder spoke to Council affirming the difficulties with the property purchased at 3130 Brooks Lane. The flood clean-up has been extremely difficult. It is impossible for her to take care of with her physical disabilities. She is concerned that snow from the street is plowed on their property and during the spring thaw. Rachel Hunt stated she has spent thousands of dollars repairing the flooded lower level.

Mayor Anderson responded that City Staff are called as asked questions by realtors and closing companies if the property taxes and utility bills are paid. It is up to the purchaser and their realtor and inspector to determine the state of a property begin considered for purchase. Proper due diligence by the property inspector and realtor should have noted any issues. City Staff are not realtors and it is not our responsibility to give real estate information.

Bob Johnson addressed Council regarding the hydrology report survey stating it does not show swales correctly, the driveway for 3103 Brooks Lane is drawn on the wrong spot, and there are not curbs on the drive to direct the water flow. The report indicates the water only comes from the front of the house and drains towards 3130 Brooks Lane but 85% of the back of the house water drainage is being directed towards 3130 Brooks Lane due to the gutters. The west side of 3101 is draining towards 3130 Brooks Lane as well. Mr. Johnson wanted Council to be aware that the hydrology report is not correct. He asked what is the City's exposure if after a home was built the owner put in a driveway that was unapproved and a stop order was issued by the Planning and Zoning Administrator? The City Attorney stated he could not give legal advice regarding this. Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier stated the hydrology report was sent to the engineers for approval. Once proper review happened the driveway was approved.

Pam Scott, 3115 Brooks Lane, has lived at the address for 40 years. She relayed to Council that she never had water issues in her basement until the home at 3013 Brooks Lane was built in 2005.

Council discussed conducting a City wide drainage study and agreed before decisions for future storm water improvement projects can take place; a study would give needed information.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by council Member Lindstrom to authorize Stantec to do a City wide drainage study with recommendations with a budget of \$10,000 which includes field work, three meetings and fund the study with the CIP Reserve fund. With all members voting in favor, the motion carried.

13. New Business

13.1. Parking Issues on Arcola Lane

Council discussed complaints received of trail users parking on Arcola Lane to County Road 15 in a no parking zone. Council decided a letter would be sent to residents along Arcola Lane with the option of posting the entire road as No Parking or place signage that the road is Permit Parking Only. Staff will send the letters to residents and bring back to Council.

13.2. Public Works Director Young reported that the lift station motor went out again and had to be repaired. The storage shed at the Arcola Dock area is being torn down the week of August 20th. Tim Laterno will be hauling the debris out on his barge. The fire lane at the Beach Commons will be closed this fall. Public Works Director Young will order signs according to the approved ordinance. City Clerk Tiegs will contact David Boschwitz to confirm the new plantings at the Arcola dock area will be watered.

13.3. Clerk's Report – Street light soon to be installed on the trail and stairway at the Arcola dock area. Xcel Energy will install at no charge and the monthly cost will be \$9.87.

13.4. Administrator's Report

City Administrator Griffin attended a training session on the new MN PCA MS4 requirements. The City must submit a new permit application by October 30, 2013. City Administrator Griffin recommends the plan be reviewed by an engineer to assure completeness and accuracy of the application. She would like to obtain a bid and bring back to Council meeting on September 9, 2013. The City is back on the MET Council Inflow & Infiltration list due to exceeding levels during the heavy storms.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Krier reported that building permits for Woodwinds and Cottage Lane are in progress. The Lafayette Club has agreed to remove five vines from the fence line along the trail.

14. Council

14.1. Mayor Anderson reported on the Brush of Kindness Project for the Harry and Peggy LePan on Brooks Lane. The dates for work are October 1-5th. Volunteers will be needed to prep, prime, and paint their home along with possibly replacing boards on stairs and the exterior door. City Clerk Tiegs will include notices in the Beachcomber, emails, and have a sign-up sheet at City Hall. New members on the Finance Committee are Eric Bender and Colby Skelton. Mayor Anderson recommended to the Parks Commission to report to Council how their remaining funds are to be spent for the rest of 2013. This will show Council that their budget is being fully utilized.

14.2. Liaison Reports

Council Member Skalla needs liaison to attend the October 8th Parks Commission meeting. Council Member Bartel will attend that meeting.

Council Member Taylor reported that the Mound Fire Department is proposing a one percent increase for services in 2014. Council Member Lindstrom attended that meeting for Council Member Taylor. She also attended the Civic Committee meeting for Mayor Anderson. The Civic Committee is planning the Progressive Dinner on October 5, 2013, with an "Around the World"

theme. The annual Halloween Party is set for October 13, 2013. The Civic Committee has named Jody Schwendimann and Kirsten Haag as co-chairs of the Civic Committee.

Council Member Taylor would like to re-visit the discussion regarding park benches along the trail.

- 15. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Bartel to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 p.m. With all members voting in favor the motion carried.**

**Respectfully submitted,
Diane Tiegs, City Clerk**