

Minutes of the Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Champlin in the County of Hennepin and the State of Minnesota
Pursuant to Due Call and Notice Thereof

Regular Session
January 26, 2015
Municipal Center

Call to Order	The Champlin City Council met in Regular Session and was called to order by Mayor ArMand Nelson at 7:00 p.m.
Oath of Office	The City Clerk administered the ceremonial Oath of Office to Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Johnson and Karasek.
Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Roll Call	Present were Mayor ArMand Nelson and Councilmembers Eric Johnson, Ryan Karasek, Bruce Miller and Kara Terry. Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Bret Heitkamp, Community Development Director John Cox, City Engineer Tim Hanson, Assistant City Engineer Todd Tuominen, City Attorney Scott Lepak and City Clerk Roberta Colotti.
Approval of Agenda (January 26, 2015) Motion	Motion by Councilmember Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Karasek to approve the agenda for the January 26, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried.
Approval of Minutes Motion	Motion by Councilmember Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Terry to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2015 Worksession and January 12, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. Voting in favor were Councilmembers Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried. (Abstained: Mayor Nelson and Councilmember Johnson.)
Approval of Bills (January 26, 2015) Motion	Motion by Councilmember Terry and seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve the bills as submitted for payment on January 26, 2015. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried.
Announcements	Mayor Nelson made the following announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council Worksession – Immediately following tonight’s City Council meeting in the Council Conference Room.• Legislative Worksession – Saturday, January 31st at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers.• EDA Board - Closed Meeting – Saturday, January 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Conference Room to discuss sale of real property.• Council Worksession – Monday, February 9th at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Conference Room.• City Council Meeting – Monday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
Overview of Worksession Discussion	<u>Special Presentations</u> The City Administrator provided an overview of the discussion that occurred earlier in the evening at the Council Worksession regarding potential opportunities to keep chickens in residential areas. He reported that the Council had a lengthy discussion and decided not to move in that direction at this time. He advised that the Council also discussed the City Council meeting voting procedures and process and decided not to amend the process at this time.
Resolution No. 2015-14 Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement of Bids for the 2015 Street	<u>Consent Agenda</u> Councilmember Miller introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption: A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement of Bids for the 2015 Street Crack Seal Project (Improvement Project No. 21501)

Crack Seal Project
(Improvement Project No.
21501)Resolution 2015-14

The motion for the adoption of the resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Karasek, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry and the following voted against the same: none, where upon said resolution was passed this 26th day of January 2015.

Resolution No. 2015-15
Approving Plans and
Specifications and
Ordering Advertisement
of Bids for the 2015 Street
Sealcoat Project
(Improvement Project No.
21502)
Resolution 2015-15

Councilmember Miller introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement of Bids for the 2015 Street Sealcoat Project (Improvement Project No. 21502)

The motion for the adoption of the resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Karasek, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry and the following voted against the same: none, where upon said resolution was passed this 26th day of January 2015.

Appoint Representative
and Alternate to Anoka
County Fire Protection
Council
Motion

Motion by Councilmember Miller and seconded by Councilmember Karasek to appoint Kara Tarry as the Representative and Bret Heitkamp as the Alternate to the Anoka County Fire Protection Council. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried.

Open Forum
Bee Friendly Champlin

Open Forum

Geri Nelson, League of Women Voters ABC, stated that the organization has been studying the plight of pollinators and their project this year is to improve pollinator habitat. She hoped that citizens would band together to help with this dire situation. She advised that a public meeting was held the previous spring and also noted that a forum had been taped recently by QCTV, which is currently airing on cable television.

Ms. Nelson stated that the next step in their process was to bring this matter forward to the member cities in the League of Women Voters, ABC area. She advised that the Champlin group, titled "Bee Friendly Champlin" has met twice.

Ms. Nelson stated that they encourage the planting of pollinator friendly plants and they discourage the use of pesticides. She reviewed the methods of communication the group will be using and advised that the Task Force also plans to meet with the Champlin Environmental Resources Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission. In addition they will be meeting with the Champlin Historical Society and area schools. She stated that 80 percent of plants depend on pollinators and advised that one out of three bites of the typical dinner is also dependent on pollinators. She encouraged others to join the movement and be part of the solution.

Dick Brown, 701 East Hayden Lake Road, stated that he is a member of the Bee Friendly Champlin task force as well as other groups within the City. He stated that he is also a member of the Isaac Walton League of America, which is a national conservation group and advised that group is also very interested in this issue. He provided examples of pollinators, which include different types of bees, butterflies, flies and others. He referenced legislative efforts to establish a 50 foot boundary for bodies of water such as lakes and rivers and believed that native planting should occur in those areas. He also discouraged the use of neonicotinoids. He thanked Ms. Nelson for creating this task force and bringing together all of the parties involved in the issue.

Gina Magnuson, 10232 Hilltop Court, stated that she is present to support native plantings. She stated that she is also in support of allowing residents to raise bees in residential areas. She referenced a University of Minnesota professor that is gaining national attention for her work on pollinators. She provided an example of how plantings could be used to buffer domestic bees. She hoped that the Council would consider not only the native plantings but also allowing bee keeping.

Mr. Brown stated that he did not mention domestic bees because they fall into a different category. He explained that is considered more of a commercial use and described the different efforts that are needed to keep bees. He stated that native pollinators are especially important because they do not require additional efforts and simply need a habitat.

Response to Monitoring
Access to Galloway Park

The City Administrator stated that Mr. Dan Hanson came forward at the January 12th meeting with a concern over vandalism at Galloway Park and made an offer to open and close the park on a daily basis. He reported that a system has been set up for this resident to assist with opening and closing the park. He stated

that staff has also worked with the resident under the insurance waiver the City has through the League of Minnesota Cities.

Mayor Nelson expressed the Council's appreciation for Mr. Hanson's volunteer service.

Public Hearings

Public Hearing Regarding
Off-Sale Liquor License
and Tobacco License for
Liquor Depot of
Champlin, Inc. (DBA
Liquor Depot)

The City Clerk reported that Charles H. Christ and Sean P. Schumacher are purchasing Northland Liquors, located at 120 Miller Road and intend to rename the business, "Liquor Depot". They are requesting an Off-Sale Liquor License and a Tobacco License for the business. She reported that the applicants passed the required background check and will provide certificate of insurance upon approval of the license.

Public Hearing

Mayor Nelson opened the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

No comments made.

Motion

Motion by Councilmember Karasek and seconded by Councilmember Johnson to close the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried.

Motion

Motion by Councilmember Miller and seconded by Councilmember Terry to approve the request for an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and Tobacco License for Liquor Depot of Champlin, Inc. (DBA Liquor Depot), contingent upon submittal of a certificate of insurance. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Karasek, Miller and Terry. Voting against: none. Motion carried.

Adjournment

The Champlin City Council adjourned the regular meeting at 7:26 p.m.

ArMand Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Roberta Colotti, CMC, City Clerk