

**CITY OF HAM LAKE
CITY COUNCIL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017**

The Ham Lake City Council and Economic Development Authority met for its regular meeting on Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Ham Lake City Hall located at 15544 Central Avenue NE in Ham Lake, Minnesota.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Mike Van Kirk and Councilmembers Jim Doyle, Tom Johnson, Al Parranto, and Gary Kirkeide

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney, Joe Murphy; Fire Chief, Don Krueger; City Engineer, Tom Collins; and Deputy City Clerk, Jennifer Bohr

1.0 CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M. – Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Van Kirk called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Emma Fisher, 4027 133rd Lane NE, was present. Ms. Fisher stated she has been speaking with a city official about her neighbor's un-mowed grass. Ms. Fisher stated she has reviewed the City Code and has not found anything substantial in it regarding long grass and would like the City Council to address this issue and include maximum lawn height limits. Mayor Van Kirk stated long grass is considered a nuisance and he has directed staff to address her complaint.

3.0 SPECIAL APPEARANCES/PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

These items are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence. (All items listed on the Consent Agenda are recommended for approval.)

4.1 Approval of minutes of June 19, 2017

4.2 Approval of claims in the amount of \$602,004.63

4.3 Approval of Interfund Transfers

- \$7,000 from the general fund to the general government equipment fund
- \$10,000 from the general fund to the building fund
- \$190,000 from the general fund to the fire equipment fund
- \$130,000 from the general fund to the public works equipment fund
- \$800,000 from the general fund to the revolving street fund
- \$34,000 from the general fund to the parks equipment fund

- \$25,000 from the lawful gambling fund to the general fund (for police protection)
- 4.4 Approval of purchasing a Bobcat Toolcat for the Public Works Department from Tri-State Bobcat in the amount of \$49,162.98
- 4.5 Approval of Resolution No. 17-27 accepting a \$11,000 donation from the Ham Lake Chamber of Commerce
- 4.6 Approval of Change Order #1 for the reconstruction of Ulysses Street NE from 176th Avenue NE to 179th Avenue NE
- 4.7 Approval of the Building Destruction Agreement at 2050 Constance Boulevard NE

Motion by Kirkeide, seconded by Parranto, to approve the Consent Agenda, removing Item 4.1. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Kirkeide, seconded by Parranto, to approve Item 4.1, minutes of June 19, 2017. Mayor Van Kirk and Councilmembers Kirkeide, Johnson and Parranto vote yes. Councilmember Doyle abstained. Motion carried.

5.0 PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS – None

6.0 PARK AND TREE COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS – None

7.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – None

8.0 APPEARANCES – None

9.0 CITY ATTORNEY

9.1 Discussion of proposed donation to DaVinci Academy

Attorney Murphy stated the City Council had asked him to look into what fund monies could be taken from to make a donation to DaVinci Academy for the school's playground. Attorney Murphy stated funds would need to be taken from the General Fund. Councilmember Johnson stated he is opposed to making a donation as it would set a precedent and the City has denied other requests for donations. Councilmember Kirkeide stated the City maintains a tight budget and does not anticipate additional spending for other organizations. **It was the consensus of the City Council to decline DaVinci Academy's request for a contribution to use toward the construction of a playground at 532 Bunker Lake Boulevard NE and the City Council directed staff to send a letter to DaVinci Academy informing them of the decision.**

10.0 CITY ENGINEER - None

11.0 FIRE CHIEF

Fire Chief Krueger stated the fire department will be doing a training burn at 2050 Constance Boulevard NE the evening of July 14th. Fire Chief Krueger stated fire departments from Andover, East Bethel and Blaine will also be taking part in the training event.

12.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

12.1 Committee Reports - None

12.2 Discussion of scheduling a Budget Workshop Meeting

Motion by Van Kirk, seconded by Johnson, to approve scheduling a Budget Workshop meeting for Monday, July 17, 2017 immediately following the City Council meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

12.3 Announcements and future agenda items

Councilmember Kirkeide stated the Fourth of July celebration was great; the band was good and the fireworks were the best he has seen.

Motion by Kirkeide, seconded by Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Jennifer Bohr, Deputy City Clerk