

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY OF JANESVILLE, WASECA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

JULY 13, 2015 CITY HALL 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Janesville City Council met in regular session pursuant to due call and notice thereof; Mayor Mike Santo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Council present: Mike Santo, Mayor
Cliff Blaisdell, Council Member
Jeff Bartelt, Council Member
Kari Grisim, Council Member
Council Absent: John Sprengeler, Council Member
Staff Present: Clinton Rogers, City Administrator
Andrea Preston, Deputy Clerk
Brandon McCabe, City Planner
Dillon Petrowitz, Intern
Jason Femrite, City Engineer

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council and everyone present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV.

Santo requested to move new business item #1 up in the agenda behind public forum. Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Bartelt to approve the agenda as reflected in these minutes. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

V. OLD HWY 14 TURNBACK – 2016 UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS

No one present to address council. Femrite stated there will be another open house right before construction begins.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of last Regular Meeting on June 08, 2015
2. Accept Accounts Receivable = New Format
3. Audit City Bills for Payment
4. PRGC Financials = New Report

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Grisim to approve the agenda. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

Resident Mark Spitzack, 210 E South St, raised concerns about neighbor's nuisance yard and wondering what the process is if it happens again. McCabe stated the process would be the same along with same timeframe to clean up the yard. Spitzack went further asking if its stuff for their home business. McCabe stated he would look into the issue.

VIII. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter from Schendel's Repair

Santo stated he has not been able to discuss with resident. Blaisdell stated he had and understand his concern; however, he wasn't aware the ordinance allows for loading and unloading of campers.

IX. COUNCIL REPORTS

X. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Rogers gave his report.

- Utility Board would like a joint work session Monday August 10th before council meeting. Council agreed.
- Nursing Home had its 50th Anniversary
- The city will get about \$28,000.00 for road maintenance from Small Cities Assistance Program.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Information From Attorney Mike Kennedy - PRGC

Rogers stated he and Kennedy attached this memo with pros and cons and what availabilities the City has with the golf course. Rogers highlighted a few key issues: if selling is the option the Planning Commission by law would look at it first and discuss the land use, if selling was the option would the City RFP or deal with realtors, and, last, personnel issues and concerns. Blaisdell asked if the option was to sell is there anything the City can do to keep it as a golf course. Rogers stated there is not. Overall, council agreed it must stay a golf course; therefore, they want to look into the other options mentioned such as a management agreement. In the memo it explains other cities with recreational facilities don't make a profit – it is rather an amenity and a way of life for your community. Bartelt wanted to add the fact the residents of town voted on this golf course and it passed.

2. Support of Continued Public Transportation
A. Resolution 2015-15

Rogers stated we currently pay for public transportation in Janesville with Waseca County. SMART is the same type of program but would like us to use their services for 2016.

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Bartelt to approve support to SMART. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Variance Request – 206 E South Street
A. Resolution 2015-16

McCabe states Resident Chad Schroeder applied for a variance for a garage ten (10) ft. from property line. Our city policy states twenty (20) ft. required from a property line. There was no one present at the Planning Commission and they ultimately decided recommending approval.

Motion by Blaisdell, seconded by Bartelt to approve Resolution 2015-16. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

2. Liquor License – J-Town Liquor

Rogers stated J-Town liquor is looking for approval for a liquor store located at 601 E First St. Bartelt asked about the RLF from previous owner Captain Jacks Liquor at that premise. Preston stated he is still paying on that loan.

Motion by Bartelt, seconded by Grisim to approve liquor license for J-Town Liquor. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler; abstained: Blaisdell. Motion carried.

3. Premise Permit – The Dog Hours Bar & Grill
A. Resolution 2015-17

Rogers stated The Dog House Bar & Grill has requested pull-tab operations. Waseca County Sleigh & Cutter will be providing this service. Looking for approval of this premise permit. Bartelt stated he would like to see reports on what the profits are for them here in town at their locations. Rogers stated he could get those for council.

Motion by Bartelt, seconded by Blaisdell to approve Resolution 2015-17. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Blaisdell made motion to adjourn, seconded by Bartelt at 7:30pm. Voting in favor: Bartelt, Grisim, Blaisdell, and Santo; voting against: none; absent: Sprengeler. Motion carried.

Respectively signed by

/s/ Andrea Preston Date 07/27/15

Andrea Preston
Deputy Clerk
City of Janesville