

WAITE PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING**MARCH 19, 2018****1. CALL TO ORDER**

A meeting of the Waite Park City Council was held at Waite Park City Hall on Monday, March 19, 2018 beginning at 6:30 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Members present were Mayor Miller, Councilmembers Linquist, Schneider and Theisen.

CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

City Representatives present were City Administrator Johnson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Virnig, Chief of Police Benrud, Public Works Director Schluenz, Attorney Erickson, SEH Engineer Wotzka

OTHERS PRESENT

Brian Catton, Scott Wells

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**3. OPEN FORUM**

Martha Roth from Resource Training and Solutions presented the City of Waite Park with "The Bridge Award" for the innovative solution of helping provide a shelter to Terebinth Refuge.

4. COUNCIL AGENDA

Motion by Member Linquist, second by Member Schneider, to approve the 3/19/18 Council Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously by those members present.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Member Linquist, second by Member Schneider, to approve the following 3/19/18 Consent Agenda items:

- 5.A. Approved City Council Minutes of February 5, 2018.
- 5.B. Approved Temporary Gambling Permit for Apollo Eagles Diamond Club Boosters
- 5.C. Approved Fire Relief Association Resolution (**RESOLUTION NO. 031918-01**)
- 5.D. Approved Public Works 2018 Budget Equipment Purchases
- 5.E. Approved Waiving 90-day Waiting Period for Rockvile Annexation (**RESOLUTION NO. 031918-02**)
- 5.F. Approved David Frank to the position of Fire Fighter

The motion carried unanimously by those members present.

6. CONSIDER ORDINANCE RE: STEARNS ELECTRIC FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

The City of Waite Park has franchise agreements with the utilities for granting authority to these companies to have access to the right-of-way owned by the City. With the recent annexation, we now have another utility company we need to enter into a franchise agreement with, which is Stearns Electric. An Ordinance and Summary Publication was presented to the Council for approval. Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance and Summary Publication. It was mentioned that the dates on the proposed Summary Publication is incorrect and should be changed.

Motion by Member Theisen, second by Member Linquist, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-02 regarding Stearns Electric Franchise and Summary Publication with the changed date. The motion carried unanimously by those members present.

7. PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY WATER SOFTNER DISCUSSION

After moving into the facility, Staff gained a full understanding of what water and fixtures are being softened. There were 3 softeners put into the building as planned. One is for the pre-wash for the vehicle wash system (this was an inclusive part of the vehicle wash system). Another one was put in for the Hotsy pressure washer in the vehicle wash bay (a point of use softener) and lastly one was installed in the mechanical room in the office area. We came to find out the office softener is only for hot water in the office area.

Problems Staff are seeing from the onset have been staining/calcification on all toilets, urinal, sinks, drinking fountains and a large spotting problem on the vehicle wash (the rinse water is not softened).

Staff has been working with Culligan on coming up with the best solution. We are close but still waiting on final numbers. The first quote was for just slightly over \$10,000. This was not acceptable. Staff met again to go over what can be done to reduce the cost and what can be salvaged for the one that is currently in place.

Member Linquist stated he felt the problems should have been caught right away and does not think the City should have to spend any more money to fix the problem.

Motion by Member Schneider, second by Member Theisen, to approve water softening work at Public Works Facility as presented.

Ayes: Mayor Miller, Members Schneider, Theisen

Nays: Member Linquist

Abstained: None

The motion carried.

8. COUNCIL/MAYOR

8.A. REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS

Motion by Member Theisen, second by Member Schneider, to authorize payment of the accounts payable list (1217M1, 1217M2, 0218D1, 0218D2, 0218D3, 0218D4). The motion carried unanimously by those members present.

Mayor Miller stated Thank You letters were received from the Anna Marie's and the Initiative Foundation for the donations they received from the City.

9. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

City Administrator Johnson reviewed the following:

- The Public Works Open House is tentatively scheduled for April 19, 2018.
- The League's Legislative Day and lobbying for the Amphitheater will be this week on Wednesday and Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miller declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.



Richard E. Miller
Mayor



Shauna Johnson
City Administrator