

PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE CROOKSTON CITY COUNCIL, POLK COUNTY, MINNESOTA. THE SECOND REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 25, 2005, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL.

Mayor Don Osborne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and requested all present to stand for a moment of silence.

Council Members present in answer to roll call were: Craig Bunes, Marlys Mjoen, Keith Mykleseth, Wayne Melbye, Harry Manole, Tom Vedbraaten, Dave Genereux and Frank Lindgren.

Staff present were: Mike MacDonald, Pat Kelly, Chad Palm, Scott Riopelle, Gene Wisness, Kent Ellingson, Aaron Parrish and Betty Arvidson.

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There was no one present to address the council.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Aaron Parrish, City Administrator, asked that Item No. 8.02 "Introduce an ordinance amending parking requirements within the Central Business District (C-1). Public Hearing and final passage to be held November 22, 2005." be changed to have the public hearing and final passage on November 8, 2005.

On motion by Council Member Manole, seconded by Council Member Mjoen and duly carried that the Agenda be approved as amended.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Council Member Lindgren, seconded by Council Member Vedbraaten and duly carried by roll call vote to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the following items:

- 6.01 City Council Minutes of October 11, 2005.
- 6.02 Resolution to approve City of Crookston bills and disbursements in the amount of \$247,870.02. Check Nos. 27328 through 27433. (RES. No. 24228)
- 6.03 Resolution extending the cash farm lease with the Regents of the University of Minnesota for 3 years from November 1, 2005 to September 30, 2008, for airport farmland. (RES. No. 24229)
- 6.04 Resolution adopting revised Special Assessment Policy. (RES. No. 24230)
- 6.05 Resolution to approve partial pay estimate No. 3 to Affordable Electric of Roseau, Inc. for Trunk Highway 2 and 75 Lighting project in the amount of \$97,335.48. (RES. No. 24231)
- 6.06 Resolution to approve partial pay estimate No. 9, final, to Davidson Construction for the Dam Removal and Rock Rapids Construction in the amount of \$48,276.01. (RES. No. 24232)
- 6.07 Resolution to approve partial pay estimate No. 2 to Northern Paving, Inc. for the Arrival/Departure Building Drainage Improvements in the amount of \$20,534.00. (RES. No. 24233)
- 6.08 Dance permit, Delta Theta Sigma, Michelle Hanson, American Legion, October 29, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. DJ: Ron Aviles.
- 6.09 Resolution renewing application for a Lawful Gambling Premise Permit at the American Legion. (RES. No. 24234)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Osborne opened the public hearing on Tax Abatement of city property tax on parcels qualifying for the Housing Incentive Program. He asked if anyone wished to be heard to please stand and state their name and address.

Clerk/Treasurer Arvidson stated this is the third year of the tax abatement. The first year there were six parcels, the second year there were an additional six and this year there are twelve parcels that have qualified for tax abatement. The estimated amount of city property tax to be abated is \$12,675.00 per year for two years. Three of the parcels on this list also qualify for the county and school tax abatement.

Mayor Osborne asked if anyone else wished to be heard and upon hearing none closed the Public Hearing.

REGULAR AGENDA

8.01 On motion by Council Member Mykleseth seconded by Council Member Lindgren and duly carried, Resolution to approve tax abatement of city property tax on parcels qualifying for the Housing Incentive Program. (RES. No. 24235)

8.02 On motion by Council Member Vedbraaten seconded by Council Member Bunes to introduce an **ordinance** amending parking requirements within the Central Business District (C-1). Public hearing and passage to be held November 8, 2005.

8.03 On motion by Council Member Genereux seconded by Council Member Vedbraaten and duly carried to amend proposed resolution to approve Conditional Use Permit allowing placement of night watchman's quarters on an industrial used property at 729 Fairfax Avenue as follows: 1. One person allowed on premises as the watchman. 2. Watchman will have permanent residence other than on said premise.

Council Members voting in the affirmative were: Mjoen, Melbye, Manole, Vedbraaten and Genereux.
Council Members voting in the negative were: Bunes, Mykleseth and Lindgren.

On Motion by Council Member Genereux, seconded by Council Member Lindgren and **not passed**: Resolution to approve Conditional Use Permit allowing placement of night watchman's quarters on an industrial used property at 729 Fairfax Ave, as amended. (RES. No. 24236)

Council Members voting in the affirmative were: Melbye, Manole, Vedbraaten and Genereux.
Council Members voting in the negative were: Bunes, Mjoen, Mykleseth and Lindgren.

Mayor Osborne voted in the negative breaking the tie.

REPORTS AND STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Craig Bunes, Council Member 1 st Ward	-	No report.
Marlys Mjoen, Council Member 2 nd Ward	-	No report.
Keith Mykleseth, Council Member 3 rd Ward	-	No report.
Wayne Melbye, Council Member 4 th Ward	-	No report.

Harry Manole, Council Member 5th Ward, wished all the high school teams "good luck" on the upcoming tournaments.

Tom Vedbraaten, Council Member 6th Ward, stated it appeared that fall clean-up was going well.

Dave Genereux, Council Member-at-Large	-	No report.
Frank Lindgren, Council Member-at-Large	-	No report.

Mike MacDonald, Community Development Director, stated Joan Abercrombie, Northwest Multi County HRA, has submitted our Small Cities Application for a rehab grant in the Wood's Addition. At this point we haven't received our letter of map revision, but the Corps of Engineers wrote a letter indicating that the project has been completed and the remapping is coming. At this time Mike felt that would be sufficient for the grant application.

Aaron Parrish, City Administrator, informed the Mayor and Council there is a situation at the arena with our current off-peak electricity. Otter Tail has stated they are going to increase the time that they are going to be using the off-peak this year and it is currently causing a problem at the arena with the ice. They are evaluating the situation and will update the Council as they get more information.

On Motion by Council Member Bunes, seconded by Council Member Genereux and duly carried that there being no further business to come before the City Council that said meeting be adjourned.

Donald A. Osborne, Mayor

Betty Arvidson, City Clerk-Treasurer