

**City of Loretto**  
**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting**  
**279 N. Medina Street, Council Chambers**  
**February 10, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Koch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Kent Koch, Council Members Brenda Daniels, Henry Pepin and John Neumann.

Member excused: Council Member Cari Girk.

Also present: Public Works Director Jeff Leuer, City Attorney Paula Callies, Medina Police Sergeant Jason Nelson, Medina Police Chief Ed Belland, City Clerk Treasurer Mary Schneider.

There were two people in the audience.

**SET AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

On a motion by Pepin, seconded by Neumann, to approve the January 13, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

**MEDINA POLICE REPORT**

Chief Belland gave the January police report, stating there were a total of one hundred twenty-nine calls, of which ninety-five were general patrols, two DUI's, one disturbing the peace, twenty traffic contacts, a suicide threat, an animal complaint, and a funeral escort, among others. Belland reviewed "active shooter" protocols with Council, highlighting the concept of "RUN-HIDE-FIGHT".

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. RESOLUTION 2015-02, WECAN FUNDING SUPPORT**
- 2. RESOLUTION 2015-03, HENNEPIN COUNTY YOUTH SPORTS EQUIPMENT GRANT**

On a motion by Daniels, seconded by Neumann, to approve the CONSENT AGENDA as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

**ACTION/PLANNING**

**1. HAZARDOUS MITIGATION FUNDING**

Mayor Koch reviewed options for applying for Hazardous Mitigation funding. Council consensus was to stick with the option of getting a community safe room project onto the county's amended Hazardous Mitigation Plan. Koch noted this option would give the City the opportunity to budget for the project in 2016, if desired.

**2. A TO Z AUTO**

Council Member Neumann stated he would like to have a code inspection of A to Z Auto as there appears to be junk vehicles as well as debris in public view that has been sitting for many months. Neumann also suggested the City look into amending the city code to improve the City's ability to control this issue. Neumann presented two sample ordinances from other cities for Council to consider.

City Attorney Callies noted the City entered into a settlement agreement with Mr. Miller, owner of A to Z Auto, in 2004 that the City would need to comply with.

Council directed Clerk Treasurer Schneider to contact the City's code enforcement officer and request a code compliance check for the property.

### **3. OUTDOOR FURNACE ORDINANCE REVIEW**

No discussion occurred.

### **4. RAC UPDATE**

#### **a. RAC Minutes of January 22, 2015**

Council reviewed. No action taken.

#### **b. Resolution 2015-04, RAC Appointments**

On a motion by Koch, seconded by Pepin, to approve RESOLUTION 2015-04, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LORETTO REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

### **1. HOLIDAY TRAIN UPDATE**

Clerk Treasurer Schneider gave an update from the Holiday Train wrap-up meeting. Schneider noted an additional cash donation was identified in the amount of \$3,000, bringing the total cash donations to \$28,834.10. Schneider reported the committee made the following suggestions if a large crowd is expected in the future: put a map of the event (including parking options) on the website ahead of time; instruct the shuttle to pick up guests at an additional safe location; close the streets earlier in the day to prevent cars from parking early and clogging up the street; post NO PARKING ON (DAY) the night before; consider using barricades to create line for kiddie train and Santa visits; have an additional drop site for food donations at the east end of West Railway Street; LORAM offered 25 vests (bright yellow) for volunteers to use to be more identifiable at the event; consider having visits with the reindeer (and other animals) instead of sleigh rides.

### **2. DRAFT WATER RESOURCES POLICY PLAN (WRPP)**

Council reviewed. No action taken.

### **3. HENNEPIN COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (HCHRA)**

Council reviewed. No action taken.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

### **1. CITY HALL**

#### **a. Minimum Wage**

Council reviewed the new Minnesota Minimum Wage Law.

On a motion by Koch, seconded by Neumann, to raise Gordie Schmidt and Jake Leuer's wages to \$9.00 per hour effective August 1, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **b. Complaints**

There were no complaints to report.

### **2. STREETS**

No items brought forward.

### **3. WATER**

No items brought forward.

### **4. WASTEWATER**

No items brought forward.

### **5. PARKS**

No items brought forward.

## **6. STORMWATER**

No items brought forward.

## **FINANCIAL**

### **1. FEBRUARY BILLS**

On a motion by Koch, seconded by Daniels, to approve electronic check numbers 1933E-1955E and paper check numbers 21008-21049 for a grand total of \$67,138.72.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **2. MONTHLY BALANCE SHEET**

Council reviewed.

No action taken.

## **OTHER**

Mayor Koch stated there is a West Metro Drug Task Force annual luncheon at the Choo Choo on Thursday at 11:30 a.m. Koch inquired if any council member could attend in his place. Council Member Neumann stated he would attend.

Council Member Pepin asked Public Works Director Leuer if there are plans to paint the city garage. Leuer stated it would be painted in 2015.

Koch asked if any council member is able to attend the quarterly fire meeting on Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. Pepin stated he would attend.

## **ADJOURN**

On a motion by Neumann, seconded by Daniels, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **ATTEST:**

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Mary K. Schneider, City Clerk Treasurer

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Kent Koch, Mayor