

Wrenshall City Council

August 2, 2018, 7:00 PM-Regular Meeting

Attendance: DonnaMae Weiderman, Jeff Kimmes, Gary Butala, Duane Ziebarth, Melvin Martindale, Alieca Johnson, Renae House, Derek Wolf, Jeff Goetzman, Mike Gravelle, Peter Laveau, and Warren Weiderman.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Martindale to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Weiderman seconded by Ziebarth to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes from the July 12, 2018, regular council meeting and checks as follows: Pre-paids-#28059 - #28065.....\$1,345.35 Payroll #28066- #28078...\$4,727.29; July bills #28079- #28/096 and 08/02/18-1 thru -3....\$11,961.72; and Electronic Transfers- 07/13/18-1 & -2 and ETR18-04....\$2,694.73. Motion carried.

Engineering: We have received new proposals for the repair of the pavilion and they will be sent to the insurance company for approval. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Ziebarth to have TKDA do an assessment of the cost of repair of Wrenshall Street to add to the capital improvement plan. Motion carried.

Thank you was given to city maintenance staff for their work getting the city ready for Brickyard Days. Thank you was also given to Dolores Dennis for her many years of dedicated service on the planning commission.

Fire Chief: The fire department had 6 medical and no fire calls in July, and had a mock training drill with Northern Natural Gas. The fire department will provide traffic control and a kid's water soccer challenge at the Brickyard Days event. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Butala to adopt Resolution 18-04 to take a more formal action on the motion made in July allowing the fire department to join PERA as follows:

RESOLUTION 18-04: A RESOLUTION OPTING TO JOIN THE VOLUNTARY STATEWIDE LUMP-SUM VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER RETIREMENT PLAN

The City Council of the City of Wrenshall, Minnesota does ordain:

WHEREAS: The City is authorized to join the Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA); and

WHEREAS: The City and the City's Fire Department Relief Association have jointly consented to and obtained a cost analysis for joining the Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan from PERA not more than 120 days ago; and

WHEREAS: The City highly values the contributions of the City Fire Department members to the safety and well being of our community and wishes to safeguard their pension investments in a prudent manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WRENSHALL, MINNESOTA:

1. The City hereby approves coverage by and requests participation in the Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan administered by PERA under the terms provided in the PERA cost analysis at the \$800 benefit level per year of service; and
2. The City Clerk/Administrator and Mayor are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

Weiderman-YES; Kimmes-YES; Ziebarth-YES; Martindale-YES; Butala-YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Kimmes to accept the proposal by Innovative Foundation Supportworks to line the manhole on Pioneer and Broadway as part of the I&I reduction work plan for \$3,300. Motion carried. Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Martindale to accept the proposal from Great Lakes Pipe for jetting and video inspection of the city sewer lines at \$11,732.00 Motion carried. The water tower will be out of service on August 29, 2018, for cleaning and maintenance.

A budget work session will take place Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at 6:00 PM.

Warren Weiderman gave an overview of actions taken at the Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, July 26, 2018. First, the commission accepted the resignation of Dolores Dennie with regret and moved to advertise the open seat. Motion by Butala; seconded by Weiderman to set a public hearing for Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 6:00 PM to consider the following:

1. A variance application for a fence over 4' in height;
2. Amendment of the City Ordinances to allow up to 8' fences without the need for a variance;
3. An application for rezoning to change the west one-half of Parcel #27-140-150, from residential to commercial; and
4. Amendment to the City Ordinances to allow for the splitting of lots for twin or town home with a shared center wall to be built on a single lot and the lot split so that each half can be sold.

The regular monthly council meeting will commence immediately following the public hearing.
Motion carried.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Weiderman to approve Minnesota Power's quote for the installation of a street light at Mason Drive and the new alley at \$1,132. Motion carried.

Motion by Weiderman; seconded by Martindale to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Motion carried.