

CITY OF MARINE ON ST. CROIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, March 14, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mills at 7:00pm

Citizens Present: Ryan Goodman, Jason Husveth, Philip Bock, Gerry Mrlosa.

Citizens Considerations ó None

Planning Commission ó Chairman Mrlosa updated the Council on the February meeting. The Commission is continuing to work on updating the zoning codes, and will be meeting with Jim Shaver in the upcoming month.

Committee Reports ó

Public Safety ó 2012 Annual report submitted. The Department responded to over 100 runs even with the elimination of Scandia and northern May Township. Total number of volunteer hours was 4060.

Appreciation dinner April 21st.

Roads - Ryan Goodman was in attendance to give an engineering report. Ryan met with Washington County and the Watershed District to discuss the hydrologic study work.

Personnel/Building Inspector -

Animal Control Letters ó Mayor Mills suggested having a boiler plate letter for animal control complaints. It was suggested that the first letter addressing complaints come from the Animal Control Officer, and any follow up letter be sent by the City. Pardun will follow up.

Recreation ó Jason Husveth was in attendance to present the GIS version of the City trail map. This map is still a draft and has room for changes/additions, and Jason will continue to work with Chris to get it ready enough to create trail maps for citizen use. Once that is done, the information will be given over to the City Engineer. Mowery commended Jason for volunteering so much time with putting this project together.

Finance ó Clerk Peterson has completed the 2012 Financial Statement.

Mowery moved and Pardun to approve the 2012 Financial Statement. Motion passed unanimously.

Hall/Restoration - Still working on getting the museum grant resolved.

Cemetery ó No Report.

Marla ó Lusher met with Sue Logan and Tom Triplet. The survey results showed most patrons are very happy with how things are running. Sue Logan will be attending the next Village Center Task Force meeting to discuss Marla's role in the upcoming downtown plans.

Village Center ó The Task Force met to update their goal matrix. Discussion was held on the trail behind the General Store. The plan is to work on the design for the entrance, and come up with an engineering plan for upgrading the trail itself. The Task Force has decided to delay any work on eliminating the north end of Judd Street until a storm water plan is developed. (Minutes Attached).

Willenbring submitted a draft letter to our local representatives requesting support for the Minnesota Historical Society funding request for a Cultural Resource Survey for the lower Mill Site. The Council thought the letter was a great idea.

Stormwater/Watershed ó Pardun and members of the Planning Commission will be meeting with Jim Shaver to discuss potential changes to the Watershed Rules as they apply to Marine.

Wastewater and Water Systems ó Two bids were received for pumping, one from C&B Excavating and one from Vacuum Excavating. Both companies will be land applying rather than dumping at the MPCA sites, which is a considerable cost. C&B Excavating's bid came in around \$160 per tank and Vacuum Excavating was \$250 per tank. After review, the Council decided to continue using C&B Excavating.

Consent Calendar ó Willenbring moved and Lusher seconded to approve the Minutes of 2/14/13, Treasurers Report of 2/13, List of Bills for 3/14/13, Zoning Administrators Report, Public Works Maintenance Report and Planning Commission Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Old/New Business ó Board of Review meeting will be April 9th from 9am -10am.

Wheelage Tax Resolution ó The Council will reach out to community members for an opinion and will address at the April meeting.

Iron Man Bike Race ó Pardun attended the County meeting to discuss the Iron Man Bike Race. This event is more of a family based ride rather than an actual race. The route will take them from County Road 15 to Oakhill to Highway 95. Because this is not a race, there will be no traffic stops involved. All bikers will have to ride with traffic and follow traffic rules. There are between 4000 ó 6000 riders, of which 3000 will make the 50 mile loop going through Marine.

Board of Soil and Water Letter ó The MN Board of Water and Soil Resources is requesting comments on a possible amendment to the rule governing local water management within the metro area.

River Rumble - A letter was received from a group of canoers/kayakers want. Pardun requested pictures of past camping sites. Willenbring will follow up.

Long/Short Term Goals ó Willenbring would like to move forward with purchasing some equipment for the Council Chambers and will look into and report back to the Council by the May meeting.

Mayor Notes/Clerks Report ó None

Adjournment ó *Willenbring moved and Lusher seconded to adjourn at 8:41p.m. Motion passed unanimously.*

Minutes taken by Lynette Peterson, City Clerk