COUNCIL MEETING: June 4, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Tim Eiler, Council Thomas Schufman, Randy Ebert, Terrill Anderson, Carolyn Brooks

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Fisk

OTHERS PRESENT: Charles Hvass

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Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:
Brooks requested item 'e' be removed from consent agenda.
Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Schufman to approve consent agenda with removal of item 'e.'
All aye 5/0; Mayor abstained from item 'a' due to absence

a) Approve 05/21/2025 City Council Minutes
b) Parks/Planning Commission/Economic Development Commission 05/27/2025 Draft Minutes: FYI
c) Approve Revised Application for Sign Permit, meeting monument sign requirements, KC Liquors located at 8600 Highway 7
d) Approve scheduling of Public Hearing for Joor Schulz R-1 to MU-BR rezoning application for July 2, 2025 at 6:45pm.
e) Approve Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Lease No. 2512865 for vacant land located north of Townsedge Park ballfield on Kennedy Memorial Drive June 1, 2025 – May 31, 2030
f) MN Pollution Control Agency Part 1 Application for MS4 General Permit: FYI
g) Police Activity Report May 2025: FYI

Consent Agenda removed items:

e) Approve Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Lease No. 2512865 for vacant land located north of Townsedge Park ballfield on Kennedy Memorial Drive June 1, 2025 – May 31, 2030

Brooks questioned the cost for the city to provide insurance for this property and if city was liable for damages that may occur to the property.

Mayor thought the cost of providing insurance was nominal. City would be liable for any damages that occurs to the leased area, and Mayor thought it was a livable risk. Schufman asked if it had ever been discussed about acquiring this property from Hennepin County. Staff will contact Hennepin County and Insurance agent with the questions.

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Brooks to approve consent agenda 'e' the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority lease. All aye 5/0

Persons to be Heard:

a) 7:05 pm Minnetrista Public Safety Department General Discussion

Public Safety representative was unavailable due to training.

Business Items:

a) Resident concern regarding parking on Kennedy Memorial Drive during Townsedge Park ballgames:

Charls Hvass spoke to the council about his and his neighbors concern about the parking along Kennedy Memorial Drive during baseball games. Cars are parked on both sides of the street which restricts site lines and emergency vehicles do not have the room to drive through the street. He recommends having the Parks/Planning Commission to meet with neighbors and determine a solution to the problem.

Mayor recommended to have a motion to have this referred to the Parks and Planning Commission as recommended by Mr. Hvass. Brooks seconded this request which Mayor accepted as the motion. Schufman amended the motion to meet with neighbors within reasonable distance, 1,000 feet of the baseball field, and have conversation with Charles Hvass and his wife to do the diligence. Mayor Eiler and Brooks accepted the amendment.

Discussion: Hvass recommended that there be parking on the south side of the road which is away from the field and where the kids run from. "No Parking During Games' signs are on the south side of the street and should stay in place. Mayor presented following points from discussion:

1. Send message to city recreation to share the message with coaches and parents to please park on the south side of the street only.
2. Parks/Planning to review
3. Alert police with games schedule to patrol the area during game times.

Mayor asked for a vote with the listed amendments. All aye 5/0

b) Ballfield Scoreboard; request to send in panels as final leaving 4 – 3'x5' sections blank due to lack of sponsors. Fisk reported Scoreboard will arrive at the end of June and panels at the end of July if approval given tonight to send panels in, perhaps add "Advertise Here" on remaining sections:

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Schufman to approve purchase order for scoreboard panels as stated. Schufman amended to put "Advertise Here" on the blank panels. Amendment accepted.

Discussion:
Schufman recommended going out of the area to solicit sponsors. Bolton and Menk sponsors Spass-Tagen and will not sponsor both the scoreboard and Spass-Tagen.

Mayor called for vote: All aye 5/0

c) 2-way communication (city video equipment zoom component) quote enabling public and qualified council members to attend council meetings remotely: Reconsider motion of May 21st

Motion was made when Mayor was unable to attend council meetings. Mayor is now able to attend, and council does not see the need to make the purchase.

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Brooks to reconsider the motion for purchasing. All aye 5/0

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Ebert to not purchase the zoom equipment. (no vote was made)

Unfinished/New Business:

a) Liquor License C & J Crossbar LLC, dba Crossbar 4124 Main Street, new liquor license application for On & Off Sales and Sunday On & Off Sales with patio endorsement.

Motion made by Anderson and seconded by Brooks to approve the new liquor license application from the new owners. All aye 5/0

b) Mayor noted resident complaint posted on Facebook regarding Midco, new cable franchise. Apparently, company has been ripping up lawns and destroying or damaging sprinkler systems.

The city has contact information for Midco to address any concerns or complaints.

c) LMCC Meeting – May 8th

Brooks reported her attendance at this meeting. LMCC is not making any money and is changing their business model at end of 2025 and Tyler from LMCC is making the change seamless to the cities. Midco is coming to Loretto, Independence, St. Boni and Shorewood. If there are any issues regarding Midco, residents are directed to contact Jim Lundberg at LMCC.

d) Line Indicator

Ebert suggested that Public Works may need a line indicator to locate lines, including water and electricity. Specifically, lines for the ballfield lights.

Item will be added to July's workshop.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Ebert and seconded by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. All aye 5/0
7:40 pm

ATTEST:

Brenda Fisk

Brenda Fisk, Adm/Clerk/Treasurer