

A regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Canby, Minnesota was held on April 2nd, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Members: Gene Bies, Nancy Bormann, Frank Maas

Absent: Denise Hanson, Nate Oellien

Visitors: Nicholas Johnson, City Administrator
Gerald Boulton, City Attorney
Ellie Beman, Canby News
Nathan Stafki
Levi Citrowske
Kyle Devos
David Schrunk
Jesse Lokken
Nick Simonton
Alenni Nemitz
Jody Olson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order.

The minutes of March 19th, 2013 were reviewed. Corrections to the minutes are to be made. Denise Hanson was present at the meeting. Maas voted against the restructuring motion. More information regarding why Tiffany Keating was requesting Council approval was also needed. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the minutes as corrected. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council heard recommendation from the Planning Commission in regard to a sign installation request for Napa Auto Parts. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the sign request. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the sign installation request. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed a request to show interest in participating in the Yellow Medicine County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to approve the statement of interest. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Nicholas Johnson discussed the Active Living for All grant opportunity through the Regional Development Commission and requested authorization to submit a letter of interest in participating. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to send a letter of intent for the Active Living for All Grant. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed the Lake Vegetation Management Plan for Lake Sylvan produced by the DNR. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the Lake Vegetation Management Plan for Lake Sylvan. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

A tort limit liability waiver was reviewed. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to elect to not waive tort limits. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Resolution 2013-4-2-1, a resolution allowing elected officials of the city to be covered by workmen's compensation, was reviewed. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the resolution. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Resolution 2013-4-2-1

A Resolution Allowing Elected Officials of the City of Canby to be Covered by Workmen's Compensation

WHEREAS, the law enables elected or appointed officials of the City to be covered, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council Members intent is that they will be included as employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Mayor and Council Members of the City of Canby be covered by the Minnesota Worker's Compensation Law.

Dated this 2th day of April, 2013.

Attest:

Mayor

City Administrator

Vendor transactions for March 2013 in the amount of \$161,846.29 were reviewed. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to approve the vendor transactions. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Catherine Fink announced via email her resignation from Planning Commission. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to accept the resignation. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Gene Bies recommended the appointment of Tony Birk to the Planning Commission to replace Catherine Fink. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the appointment. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed a grant agreement with the State of Minnesota to purchase a wing mower for the airport. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to approve the grant agreement to purchase the airport mower. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Resolution 2013-4-2-2, a resolution of support for legislation on street improvement districts, was reviewed. A motion was made by Maas and seconded by Bormann to adopt the resolution. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-4-2-2

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MUNICIPAL STREET IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, Minnesota contains over 135,000 miles of roadway, and over 19,000 miles—or 14 percent—are owned and maintained by Minnesota’s 853 cities; and

WHEREAS, 84 percent of municipal streets are ineligible for dedicated Highway User Tax Distribution Fund dollars; and

WHEREAS, the more than 700 Minnesota cities with populations below 5,000 are ineligible for dedicated Highway User Tax Distribution Fund dollars; and

WHEREAS, city streets are a separate but integral piece of the network of roads supporting movement of people and goods; and

WHEREAS, existing funding mechanisms, such as Municipal State Aid (MSA), property taxes and special assessments, have limited applications, leaving cities under-equipped to address growing needs; and

WHEREAS, maintenance costs increase as road systems age, and no city—large or small—is spending enough on roadway capital improvements to maintain a 50-year lifecycle; and

WHEREAS, for every one dollar spent on maintenance, a road authority saves seven dollars in repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Canby finds it is difficult to develop adequate funding systems to support the City's needed street improvement and maintenance programs while complying with existing State statutes; and

WHEREAS, cities need flexible policies and greater resources in order to meet growing demands for municipal street improvements and maintenance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CANBY supports enabling legislation that would authorize cities to establish street improvement districts to fund municipal street maintenance, construction and reconstruction.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 2nd day of April, 2013.

Attest:

Mayor

City Administrator

A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Maas to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Attest:

Mayor

City Administrator