

**City of Cologne
August 17, 2015**

1. Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regularly scheduled council meeting was held on Monday, August 17, 2015 at the Cologne Community Center. Mayor Scott Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers Jeff McInnis, Carol Szaroletta, and Don Meyer were present. Councilmember Kyle Evenski was absent. City Administrator Jesse Dickson and City Clerk Sue Mueller were present. City Engineer Jake Saulsbury was present.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Szaroletta, seconded by Meyer to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

- a) August 3, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes
- b) August 5, 2015 – August 11, 2015 Expenditures
- c) August 7, 2015 & August 11, 2015 Payroll
- d) St. Bernard Gambling Permit October 3, 2015
- e) St. Bernard Temporary Liquor License October 3, 2015

Motion by Meyer seconded by McInnis to adopt the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

VISITORS PRESENTATIONS, PETITION AND CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Representative Jim Nash & Commissioner James Ische**

County Commissioner James Ische reported on Carver County Projects that are completed or in the process of being completed.

- The bridge project in Watertown
- 101 Bridge project between Chaska & Shakopee
- San Francisco townships bridge washout.
- Veterans service office in Waconia

Representative Jim Nash reported on projects he has been working on.

- Bill to allow cities to increase filing fees for elections
- Funding to complete Highway 212
- Provide assistance for small business owner
 - Distilleries able to sell on site

COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) Pond Project update

City Engineer Jake Saulsbury updated the council on pond concerns in the Benton Creek Estates addition. Residents Victoria Rudd 1081 Meadow St and Matt Nylund 1083 Meadow St were in attendance re-addressing their concerns as the flooding is still occurring in their backyards. Saulsbury explained a project was conducted to remove excessive debris in the Pond View Court pond, this was unsuccessful. Saulsbury reported the area between the two ponds was primarily wetland and was intended to remain as wetlands, since 1998 the area has been modified and filled in by individuals. Saulsbury reported an evaluation could be completed without outside agency involvement for an estimated price of \$5,000.00.

Saulsbury reported any further action would require the approval of several agencies, Carver County Water Management Organization (CCWMO) the MN Department of Natural Resources (DNR) the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) and the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) because of the nearby wetland. Saulsbury reported the worst case scenario is if the agencies find the intended land is wet-land there possibly could be negative repercussions.

Motion by McInnis seconded by Meyer to approve Bolton & Menk to complete a survey, with a cap of \$5,000.00 for Benton Creek Estates Drainage. Motion passed unanimously.

b) Splashpad update

City Administrator Jesse Dickson reported setbacks to the start of installation of the splashpad. The original site at City Square Park has a water line running through where the pads were to be constructed. An option to install it at another area in City Square Park was reviewed, but an additional shed would need to be built. Mayor Scott Williams stressed the importance to keep this project at the original \$180,000.00 budgeted.

Park Commissioner Scott Rynerson was present and shared his concerns the initial proposal was for \$30,000 - \$40,000 the project expanded to \$180,000.00 in a rush to have it completed this summer.

Councilmember Jeff McInnis recommended a complete examination of the project. Councilmember McInnis requested City Administrator Dickson provide regular updates on the splashpad project. City Council and the Park Commission will review the entire project over the winter.

c) **Shed at 110 Jacob Ave N**

City Administrator Jesse Dickson reported the owner of a shed at 110 Jacob Ave N, adjacent to VFW Park, approached the city about the possibility of selling the shed to the city. Dickson requested approval to proceed with meeting with the owner to discuss pricing for the shed.

Motion by Meyer seconded by Szaroletta to have the City Administrator meet with the property owners of the shed at 110 Jacob Ave N, and have a closed meeting during the next Council meeting, September 8, 2015 to discuss the results. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD REPORTS


a) July 2015 Carver County Sheriff Report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

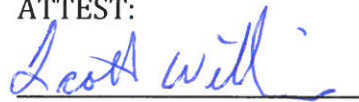
ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn by Meyer, seconded by Szaroletta to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Sue Mueller, City Clerk

ATTEST:


Scott Williams, Mayor