

CITY OF MAPLETON
COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday April 4th, 2023

Members present: Braaten, Malone, Warner, and Annis. Absent: Vait

Staff members present: Clerk Duncanson, Deputy Clerk Moore, Public Work Supervisor Chaffee

Others present: Hannah Hassler-Maple River Messenger, Coleen Lindemann-Mapleton Town & Country Days

Mayor Annis called the council meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Mapleton Fire Station.

Pledge of Allegiance

All those present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Agenda

Councilor Malone moved, and Warner seconded to adopt the agenda. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Malone moved, and Councilor Warner seconded to adopt the consent agenda as follows. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried.

- A. Minutes 3-20-23
- B. Bills \$130,993.59
- C. Zoning Permits- S. Shuck

Community Comment:

- None.

Town & Country Days Update: Coleen Lindemann was present to share the schedule of events for the 2023 Town & Country Days Celebration. She also requested the council to approve the use of the park, park shelter with the fee waived, the curling club parking lot, and the parade route for the celebration. **Councilor Malone moved, and Councilor Warner seconded to approve the use of the park, park shelter at no cost, the curling club parking lot and the parade route for Town & Country Days. All those present voted in favor thereof. Motion Carried.** Coleen also wanted to share with the council that the committee is already planning for the 150th celebration and would like the council to consider some things for Heritage Park by then. The list includes more power, west end access (handicap, stroller, and elderly) from 3rd Ave SW, picnic shelter and/or bathrooms, and a band shell.

Unfinished Business:

- A. **Resolution 14-04-23 Truck:** Public Works Supervisor Chaffee informed the council that the previously approved Public Works F-350 truck will be \$3,580 more than the original quote due to not being able to receive state bid. **Councilor Warner moved, and Councilor Malone seconded to adopt Resolution 14-04-23 approving to amend the purchase price of the F-350 truck. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Braaten, Malone, Warner and Annis. Nay: none. Absent: Vait. Motion Carried.**

New Business

- A. **Resolution 15-04-23 Jr. Councilors:** Mayor Annis shared he has been working with Melanie Urban at the Maple River School to establish junior council members. The junior council members would attend meetings and give their opinions but will not be allowed to vote. The junior council member must be a junior or senior attending Maple River High School (preference given to students living in the city) and will serve a 1-year term. **Councilor Malone moved, and Councilor Braaten seconded to adopt Resolution 15-04-23 approving the Junior Councilmember Program. Roll Call Vote: Braaten, Malone, Warner, and Annis. Nay: none. Absent: Vait. Motion Carried.**
- B. **AmeriCorps Vista:** The EDA and Robert Harris, our CEDA rep, are applying to be a part of the AmeriCorps Vista program with Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation. AmeriCorps Vista members serve full time for a year at nonprofit organizations or local government agencies. They help build the capacity of these organizations to carry out programs that build skills of financial literacy, professional development, and business/entrepreneurial workforce engagement to increase economic prosperity of diverse groups in our region. AmeriCorps Vista members recruit and manage community volunteers, raise funds, and help coordinate projects to build capacity toward long-term sustainability. **Councilor Malone moved, and Councilor Warner seconded to sign the letter of support of the AmeriCorps Vista member. All those present voted in favor thereof. Motion Carried.**
- C. **City Logo:** Mayor Annis shared that the REV group has been discussing an upgrade to the city's logo. Jackie Doering's business class initially created the mockups, but now SPX has created the final choices. After discussion, it was the consensus of the council to move forward with the new logo creation and for the REV group to present 3 options for the council to decide on.
- D. **Notice Flushing Water Mains:** The Public Works Department will be flushing water mains Monday, April 10th through Friday, April 14, between 8:00am and 3:30pm. Residents may experience rusty water and/or low water pressure while the mains are being cleared. The water is not harmful to drink but residents are advised not to wash clothes in the rusty water during the flushing time and a couple hours following the flushing of mains.

Councilor Malone moved, and Councilor Warner seconded to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried. Mayor Annis adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Recorded by Sarah Moore, Deputy Clerk

Jeff Annis, Mayor

Amber Duncanson, City Clerk