

CITY OF ST. FRANCIS
ST. FRANCIS, MN
ANOKA COUNTY

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 22, 2013

1. **Call to Order:** The regular City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jerry Tveit at 6:00 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** Present were Mayor Jerry Tveit, Council members Mike Haggard, Tim Brown, and Chris McClish. Council member Amy Lazere excused. Also present were City Engineer Jared Voge (Bolton & Menk, Inc.), Police Chief Jeff Harapat, Public Works Director Paul Teicher, Finance Director Darcy Mulvihill, and City Clerk Barb Held.
3. **Adopt Agenda:** MOTION BY McCLISH SECOND BROWN TO ADOPT THE JANUARY 22, 2013 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA. Motion carried 4-0.
4. **Consent Agenda:** MOTION BY BROWN SECOND McCLISH TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 22, 2013, CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA AS A-D AS FOLLOWS:
 - a. Approve the City Council Minutes of January 7, 2013.
 - b. Receive and File the URRWMO Minutes – January 9, 2013
 - c. Approve the Agreement for Residential Recycling Program with Anoka County
 - d. Approve the Liquor License Renewal/Transfer of Name for The Ponds Golf Course
 - e. Receive and Approve the Pay Equity Compliance Report for year ending 2012
 - f. Approve the Payment of Claims for \$145,412.38 (Check #'s 64942-65018)Motion carried 4-0.
5. **Meeting Open to the Public:** None.
6. **Petitions, Requests, Applications:** None.
7. **Ordinances & Resolution:** None.
8. **Reports of Consultants & Staff Members:**
 - a. **Engineer:**
 - b. **Attorney:**
 - c. **Staff:**

Finance Director: Debt Service Discussion: Finance Director Darcy Mulvihill provided a spread sheet on the overall Debt Service of the City.

G.O. Crossover Refunding Bond Refinance Update: A memorandum was received from George Eilertson of Northland Securities. Finance Director Darcy Mulvihill recapped the memorandum stating the overall level of debt service savings since the beginning of January were lower than previously reported due to the rising interest rates. However, in the last couple of weeks with the lower interest rates the debt service savings are starting to rise. It is Northland

Securities recommendation to reschedule the bond rating call again potentially for the second meeting in February. Mulvihill asked the City Council if they still want to proceed. The council unanimously agreed to move forward with the call of the bond.

Fire Dept.:

Public Works: Skating Rink Update: Public Work Director Paul Teicher reported the agreement with the Home Run Club for maintaining the warming house this winter has been going well. We tried to start this project last year but with the unseasonably warm weather, we never did open the warming house. This year again with the warm weather we were not able to open as early as we would have liked, therefore the Home Run Club is asking if the City would extend the agreement until February 10, 2013. The consensus of the City Council was to extend the season for the rinks until February 10, 2013 or sooner due to warmer weather/ice conditions.

Liquor Store:

Police Dept:

City Administrator Report: Update on the Joint Fire Service: Mayor Tveit updated the council on the Joint Fire Service Group. This group as you are aware received a matching grant to hire a consultant to gather information from all cities and come back with a recommendation. The consulting group that was hired was Emergency Service International. After all information is gathered, they will present their report to a joint five-city meeting. Brown asked about the inventory of the fire departments. Tveit indicated this consulting group will have a packet for each fire department to complete and one of the sections in this report is an inventory of all equipment. This report should be completed sometime this summer. Haggard asked about residents insurance cost, will they go up? Tveit stated actually, there will be portions of the city the rates will remain the same and others will go down. This is because of the close proximity to a fire station, not necessarily our station.

Spring Open House for Public Works/Police Facility for Public/Businesses: The City has had businesses and residents inquire about tours of the public works/police facility. Is the council interested in holding maybe two, one for businesses in the late afternoon and another for the general public early evening? The council was interested in holding another open house for the businesses and residents. A date and time for the open house will be determined at a later meeting.

Scanning/Document Imaging Storage Discussion: Staff has been in contact with our IT personnel regarding document imaging. When more information is received, staff will bring it forward.

Council Retreat: Just a reminder of the Workshop/Retreat for this Sunday January 27, 2013 starting at 1:00 pm at the Community Center.

9. **Reports from Council Members:** Brown noted I am sure with the cold weather we have had the last 2 to 3 days our equipment started better in our new facility.

McClish reported he would not be able to attend the council retreat/workshop this Sunday. He will be in contact with the city administrator and mayor regarding the workshop discussion.

10. **Report from Mayor:**

a. **Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce State of the Cities Presentation:** I will be giving a brief power point presentation about St. Francis at the Annual State of the Cities luncheon put on by the Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce. Would you like me to present this presentation at a future council meeting? The council agreed they would like to see the presentation.

Mayor's Snowmobile Ride that was to be held on January 19 was cancelled due to weather conditions and has been rescheduled to February 23, 2013.

Just a reminder there is a Local Government Officials meeting January 30, 2013 in Columbia Heights.

11. **Old Business:**
12. **New Business:** None.
13. **Adjournment:** The Regular City Council meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Barbara I. Held, City Clerk