

**MINUTES of the ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL**  
**For Tuesday, May 28, 2013 held at 7:00 p.m. at**  
**830 Whitewater Avenue**  
**St. Charles, Minnesota**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councilmen:

John Schaber

Dave Braun

Orv Dahl (absent)

Wayne Getz

Mayor Bill Spitzer

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Cris Gastner (EDA) and Nick Koverman (City Administrator).

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Bryan Todd (Post Bulletin), and Dan White.

**1. ESTABLISH QUOROM/CALL TO ORDER**

Quorum was established with Mayor Spitzer calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. APPROVAL of the AGENDA: Delete: 7) Background Rejection Criteria**

Motion to approve the agenda: **Wayne Getz**

No discussion.

Motion carried.

**4. Notices and Communications.** None.

**5. REVIEW OF FINANCIALS.** No comments.

**6. Ordinance #563 Residency Requirement-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.** Clm. Schaber expressed that he has heard no problems for the proposed language change. The mayor concurred. A motion to approve the second reading was made.

Motion to approve: **John Schaber**

No discussion.

Motion carried.

**8. Land & Lease Option Agreement.** Cris Gastner, the St. Charles EDA Director, presented the option from Land & Lease for 2.479 acres or 108,000 square feet for one year. The option payment amount was for \$500 and Mr. Gastner said that this is a good first step in helping to show to other interested parties that there is a commitment from another interested party. The option details \$1.50 square foot for the initial property and \$2.00 square foot for any additional lands needed. Mr. Gastner stated that at the time of the meeting permission to name the group that Land & Lease works with was not provided. Clm. Braun questioned the length of the year term considering the amount and Mr. Gastner indicated that certainly there were other ample opportunities at the park and that in other conversations, parties are looking at differing lots. No other questions were asked. A motion to approve the land option was made.

Motion to approve: **Wayne Getz**

No further discussion.

Motion carried.

**9. ERT Request SWAT 2-day Training.** Admin. Koverman relayed information provided by Mr. Scholberg, the captain of the Winona County ERT team, regarding the concerns and training that he believes officers should have prior to serving in the active capacity. Mr. Scholberg provided a 2-day option that would certify Officer Floerke, but expressed that it would be at the same cost (\$581.25) as the 40 hour 5 day training. In addition, it would not negate the need to attend the 5 day August training either. Council agreed with the assessment and Admin. Koverman

relayed that Mr. Scholberg was still looking at various options. Mayor Spitzer also added that he would like us to suggest making a policy for a requirement of time to give as notice of discontinuation of service to the team. A motion was made to approve up to \$600. Clm. Schaber also agreed with the recommendation of Mayor Spitzer to discuss the need for a policy to resolve future incidents of team members giving abbreviated notices.

Motion to approve: **John Schaber**

No further discussion.

Motion carried.

**10. Special Assessment Public Hearing.** Mayor Spitzer called for a public hearing to consider an assessment at 460 Richland Avenue. A motion to open the public hearing at 7:16 p.m. was made.

Motion to open public hearing: **John Schaber**

No further discussion.

Motion carried.

A brief description of the assessment was provided. Mayor Spitzer called for comments once, twice, three times. Hearing no comment, he called for a motion to close the public hearing. A motion to close the public hearing at 7:17 p.m. was made.

Motion to close: **Dave Braun**

No further discussion.

Motion carried.

**11. Resolution #10-2013 Adoption of Special Assessment.** The assessment was reviewed for lack of utility payment. A motion to approve Resolution #10-2013 was made.

Motion to approve: **Wayne Getz**

No further discussion.

Motion carried.

#### **UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

-Dan White. Questioned when the coffee talk with the mayor would resume. Mayor Spitzer indicated that in the fall they would start up again.

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Motion to approve: **Wayne Getz**

Motion declared carried.

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**William J. Spitzer, Mayor**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nick Koverman, City Administrator**