City of Skyline

City Council Meeting Minutes

June 13th, 2022/ 6:45 PM / Skyline City Hall

COUNCIL ATTENDEES: Mayor Paige Attarian, Lon Whitehead, Steve Romnes, Jason Hamond, Eric Manske, Shirley Piepho

Guests: Brian Petzel (ISG), Sabrina Ehmke, Micki Schaffer, Amanda Jackson, Marilyn Schueneman, Laura Peterson

Via Google Meet: Charlie Berg, Nancy Kluck

Agenda:

☐ Meeting called to order by Mayor Attarian at 6:45 pm
☐ Pledge of Allegiance performed by all in attendance
□ Public Forum-Sabrina Ehmke petitioned for an additional Stop sign at the intersection on the west end
of Vetter Park. She is proposing a 3 way stop due to the increased amount of children crossing to go into
Vetter Park. Councilman Romnes suggested a yield sign be placed near Moran Park. Micki Schaffer
addressed the council to ask when residents will receive an updated construction schedule. Brian Petzel
from ISG states that an updated schedule will be provided. Micky Schaffer asked if the fencing that is
removed from her yard can be placed in the City Hall garage. Mayor Attarian states that the fencing may
be placed in the City Hall garage. Sabrina Ehmke asked if any more trees will be removed throughout the
project. Brian (ISG) states that there are more trees in the construction site that may be removed as
construction proceeds. Laura Peterson asked what will happen with the excess soil that is being excavated.
She states that there is a local organization that would like to have it as a donation. Laura also asked if
more trees are removed, could the residents have and use that wood. Laura also asked about the type of
concrete that was being poured, if it was footings or pilings, Brian clarified that it was footings. Barbara
Fister asked if she could get a permit for keeping honey bees in her yard. Amanda Jackson asked if there
was going to be a Night to Unite/Community gathering in Skyline. Shirley states that there will be a
gathering in August for Skyline members. Laura asked about repairing the gazebo in Vetter Park. Steve
states that he is aware and will take a look at repairing it.
☐ Agenda and Minutes motion to approve by Steve Romnes, 2nd by Eric Manske, passed unanimously

☐ City Clerk Report-Marnie updated the council about the basketball court project.
☐ City Treasurer Report reviewed. Total receipts for May are \$13,143.91, total payables for May were
\$18,523.20. Account balance as of 5-31-22 is \$1,862,395.85. Shirley motioned to approve the report and
pay bills, second by Eric Manske, passed unanimously.
☐ Water and garbage bill list reviewed. Marnie will send out notices to residents overdue 90 days or
more. Two of the accounts have been overdue for months and been notified that the water would be turned
off. Shirley Piepho states that she and Brian Powers will turn off the water. Lon asked how he should
handle the call when the resident calls to complain about the water being turned off.
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Departmental Reports
☐ Water Department-Charlie Berg states that there are 2 meters to be replaced in Skyline, the meters are
in the hall garage.
□ Street Department-Eric states that Dustin delivered dirt on the lift station in east Skyline that was
repaired. He will return to fill the other fill station, the resident requested that they wait before they
deliver the dirt because they had company. Eric states that he has not heard from Nielsen blacktopping
about road repairs.
☐ Parks and Playground Department-Steve states that he will continue weed removal in Vetter Park. He
states that the Moran Park limestone sign has been straightened. He states that he got a quote on
removing the backstop in Moran Park and the basketball hoop removal. The quote was \$1450. Paige asket
for a motion to remove both items. Jason motioned to remove the backstop at Moran Park and the
basketball hoop in Vetter Park, Steve seconded, passed unanimously. Steve will contact the contractor to
schedule removal.
☐ Public Safety-Shirley states that golf carts cannot be driven in Skyline, the city must follow state
guidelines for golf cart usage. If individuals are using golf carts in Skyline, they will be fined. Marnie will
send out a reminder that no golf carts can be used in Skyline by . This item will be tabled until the July
meeting.

Old Business:

New Business:

Discussion regarding wellhouse bid deadline extension-Brian states that the bidding for the wellhouse will be extended one month due to lack of interest. He states that ISG will work on attempting to generate interest. He states that the bid letting will be on June 30th. Bids will be discussed at the July council meeting. Brian also states that he will also follow up on the construction questions brought up during the public forum.

Verizon amendment (per Justin Gartner with Buell Consulting). Paige states that she spoke with Kelly and he stated that telecommunication data is not available at this time. Discussion will be tabled until information has been gathered.

Stop Sign proposal (Ehmke)-Eric motioned to add a three way stop at Vetter Park, Jason second, passed unanimously.

Election (council openings)-Two council positions will be open due to term completion in November 2022. Mayor position will be open due to term completion in November 2022 (amended after meeting due to county documents stating term periods).

Bee Hive keeping at 61 Skyline. Marnie will construct a permit and provide the resident the permit to complete and submit.

Added to Agenda at meeting time:

ASA participation at the cost of \$16.70/year for 15 years. Shirley explained that this is a joint powers legal agreement, so if the City of Skyline withdraws there are other considerations. Steve states that he feels it is a good faith gesture to participate. Mayor Attarian states that the item should be tabled until Mark Piepho and Jared from All Seasons Arena.

Chicken coup-Mayor Attarian asked if there should be a limit in the number of chicken coups within the City of Skyline. Laura Peterson states that she feels that individuals may be having financial hardships and may need or want to become more self-sufficient. Mayor Attarian states that the council members will contemplate this proposal and discuss how to proceed with this topic.

Mayor Attarian motioned to adjourn the meeting, Eric Manske seconded, passed unanimously at 8:22 pm

City of Skyline Treasurer's Report For the Month of June 2022

Presented July 11, 2022

Receipts

AT&T (antennas)	2,750.00
TMobile (antennas)	3,538.52
Verizon (antennas)	1,791.08
Water/Garbage Receipts	12,232.95
Minnesota Finance (American Rescue Plan)	16,392.33
Hall rental	40.00
Interest income	3,374.86

Total Receipts 40,119.74

Payables

AmLawn (mowing)

Centerpoint Energy	162.84
City of Mankato (wastewater treatment fees)	3,365.01
Consolidated Communications (phone & wifi)	120.13
DPC Industries (Water Dept chems)	30.00
Free Press (bids for pumphouse project)	107.95
Gopher State One Call	10.80
Hawkins, Inc (Water Dept supplies)	20.00
I&S Group (Water tower project engineering fees)	3,510.93
J R Bruender Construction (parks Port-O-John)	126.00
Laketown Electric (water tower repairs)	226.05
LJP Waste & Recycle	1,447.98
Marnie Kortuem (mileage for LMC conference)	273.78
MN Public Facilities Authority (loan payment)	36,272.84
MN Waste Processing	1,524.53
Rowan Pepper (Cleaning city hall)	100.00
Schwickert's (repairs- City Hall)	220.12
Wells Fargo CC (Office supplies - Google)	7.99
White, Ken (re 2021 audit)	120.00

Subtotal	47,646.95
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AmLawn (Mowing)	740.00
Xcel Energy (178.11 + 939.23)	1,117.34

Total Payables 49,504.29

Account Balances 6-30-22

Community Bank checking	101,696.30
Community Bank savings	1,865,770.71
Pioneer Bank	15,971.52
Wells Fargo checking	470.36

Total Fund Balances 1,983,908.89