

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE  
MARCH 5, 2018  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Mayor Auringer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**ROLL CALL**

- Council Members present: John Ries, Dennis Terrell, Clete Frederick, Ryan Short, and Mayor Brianna Auringer.
- Staff present: City Administrator Jennifer Bromeland, Police Chief John Kopp, and Deputy Clerk Kerry Rausch.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Administrator Bromeland stated the agenda was amended with the addition of the Sediment Control and Erosion Ordinance.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Frederick, to approve the February 5, 2018 February 12, 2018 and February 20, 2018 City Council minutes. The motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- Mayor Auringer mentioned the two resolutions in the consent agenda which are to accept the resignations of Tony Brown and Cody Howe from the Fire Department.
- Council Member Frederick moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

**PRESENTATION**

1. Introduction of Administrative Clerk Brittany Grassman
  - Due to weather Ms. Grassman will be present at the April City Council Meeting.
2. Introduction of Full-Time Police Officer Dustin Jensen
  - Officer Jensen introduced himself stating he has worked for the City of Eagle Lake since March of 2014 when he started as a reserve officer and then moved into a part-time position in November 2014 and is excited to be moving into a full-time position with the City.
3. Present of Retirement Plaque to Rick Reinbold
  - Mayor Auringer presented Rick Reinbold, Director of Public Works, with a retirement plaque recognizing his 33 years of service with the City.
4. Mankato Community Education and Recreation: 2018 Community Movie Event

- Melanie Schmidt, Michelle Sorenson, and Seth Hoscheit, with Mankato Community Education presented, via video, the opportunity for the City of Eagle Lake to partner with Community Education to host a movie night in 2018. The costs of such an event were shared along with the responsibilities of both the City and Community Education.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to participate in a one-year trial of movie night by partnering with Mankato Community Education. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Review and Consider Resolution Approving Annexation Application for 21570 598<sup>th</sup> Ave
  - Administrator Bromeland explained that an application for annexation has been received from Richard Ringler and Devon Baumgartner and since there is an orderly annexation agreement a public hearing is not required.
  - Council discussion included hooking up to city services and capping any wells. Currently sewer services are in close proximity and the capital improvement plan for 2018 includes the extension of water service past this property.
  - The owners are looking to develop the property similar to Wangen Path. Officer Kopp addressed potential concerns by reminding Council that the city does have a three- strikes rental ordinance in place.
  - Administrator Bromeland explained that if annexed this property would come into the City zoned as an Agricultural 1 District and would need to be rezoned.
  - Council Member Terrell moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to proceed with the orderly annexation process. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
2. Review and Consider Eagle Lake Appointments to MVCOG General Assembly
  - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to appoint Mayor Auringer and City Administrator Bromeland to serve as delegates to the MN Valley Council of Government's General Assembly. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
3. Review and Consider Approval of Purchase Agreement for Sale of City Owned Commercial Lot to Ben and Kim Daschner
  - Administrator Bromeland direct Council Members to the proposed purchase agreement which was drafter by the city's attorney, Chris Kennedy. Included in the agreement is the purchase price of \$20,819 which is non-refundable and conditions. The Eagle Lake Economic Development Authority has reviewed the purchase agreement and is recommending City Council approval.
  - Council discussion included the city's expenses related to this parcel and what Blue Earth County will be owed with the sale of this parcel relating to the turn back funds for the right-of-way.
  - Council Member Frederick moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to approve the purchase agreement. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
4. Review and Consider Approve of Resolution Accepting Donation from Casey's General Store

- Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to accept the donation from Casey's General Store to be used for the Mankato Community Education Movie Night.
  - Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to accept the donation from Casey's General Store. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
5. Review and Consider Approval of Revised Public Works Job Description and Hiring Timeline
- Administrator Bromeland presented revised job description and presented the hiring timeline.
  - Council asked that the job posting to close on March 20, 2018 and that the personnel policy address that department heads need to provide the city with a 30-day notice of ending employment.
  - Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to approve the revised Public Works Director job description and the revised hiring timeline. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
6. Review and Consider Approval of Employer Health Savings Account Contribution Amount for Full-Time Employees with Single Health Insurance Coverage
- Administrator Bromeland presented proposed contribution amounts for single coverage health savings account contributions by the city. The lower deductible plan would receive \$1,950 annually and the higher deductible plan would receive \$2,600 annually.
  - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Frederick, to approve the single coverage health saving accounts city contributions as presented. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
7. Review and Consider Adoption of Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance
- Chris Larson with ISG explained that the proposed ordinance is part of the MS4 permitting and this ordinance proposal is to bring the city into compliance with that process. The proposed ordinance is not more stringent than the state. This ordinance pertains to when one acre of land or more is disturbed. The person/agency responsible for the inspections will still need to be determined.
  - Council Member Frederick moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to adopt the proposed erosion and sediment control ordinance and to appoint ISG to review plans and conduct inspections with these costs passed onto the developers. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.
8. Review and Consider Approval of Park Board Plan to Replace Outdated Play Equipment at Lake Eagle Park
- Administrator Bromeland stated the Park Board is asking for approval to replace outdated playground equipment. The cost of the equipment is \$13,661.23 and installation would be an additional \$6,115. The Park Board is requesting the authority to expend \$20,000 for this project.
  - The Public Works has department indicated they would be able to do the installation.
  - Council discussion included who should do the installation, the vendor or city staff.
  - Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Frederick, to authorize the Park Board to expend up to \$20,000 for the purchase and installation of new park equipment.
  - Discussion included that "Ketchup and Mustard" will be replaced do to safety requirements and that staff should look are items to replace these.
  - Council Member Ries amended his original motion, seconded by Council Member Frederick, to authorize the Park Board to expend up to \$25,000 for the purchase and installation of new park equipment. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE**

1. Legislative Platform Letter – Administrator Bromeland will meet with Senator Frentz and Representative Considine and present them with a letter outlining legislative areas of concern for Eagle Lake.
2. Greater Mankato Growth – The annual meeting will be held March 8, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.
3. Blue Earth County Mayor and Clerks Meeting – will be held March 8, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.
4. Update Regarding Possible Partnership with MNSU Park and Recreation Program to Create an Eagle Lake Park and Recreation Internship Opportunity – there is the possibility to partner with MSU-Mankato to create an internship program which could include park programming which could help promote existing features of the parks such as sand volley ball and disc golf.

### **COUCNIL MEMBER'S UPDATE**

1. Council Member Ries inquired about the status for the former BP building.
2. Council Member Ries stated there is a lot of dog feces in the Lake Eagle Park and asked if cameras could be installed so that fines could be issued. Discussion included the need to clean up in the dog park as well. It was determined this would make a good newsletter article.
3. Council Member Frederick asked to discuss mosquito spraying. It was determined that more public education could be provided for residents.
4. Mayor Auringer asked for Council input on hosting a coffee with the Mayor event. Council Members stated the former mayor help such events with very few to no residents in attendance.
5. City Newsletters were discussed with it being determined that a community wide mailing would be appropriate and an area to address is updating the current list of residents who would like to receive hard copies of the newsletter and to promote the use of the email distribution list for this purpose as well.
6. Council Member Terrell inquired to the status of installing cameras within the community. Chief Kopp indicated he has met with the City of Mankato to see their system and will be meeting with CTS to see learn what options they could provide for Eagle Lake.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

- Council Member Terrell moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Frederick, Short, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

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Tim Auringer, Mayor

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Kerry Rausch, Deputy Clerk