

A Regular Meeting of the Common Council was held on Monday, August 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Oberle presiding. Council Members present: LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, and Wicks. Council Members absent: None. City Administrator Rick Almich, Acting City Attorney John Skubitz, Planning/Zoning Director Tana Nereson, Building Official Herb Castle, State of Minnesota Senior Building Code Representative Barry Grieve, several residents from the Barony Hill Addition, and Scott Schlueter were also present.

A motion by Council Member Vortherms, seconded by Council Member Huntington approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 23, 2007. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Oberle opened the Public Hearing to consider the vacation of an area marked as "Parkway" in the Plat of Barony Hills Addition.

Several residents spoke to the issue.

Mayor Oberle closed the Public Hearing.

A motion by Council Member Vortherms, seconded by Council Member LaBelle to decline vacating the Parkway in the Plat of Barony Hill Addition. Voting in favor: LaBelle, Vortherms, and Wicks. Voting no: Spinler, Kerkow, and Mayor Oberle. Abstained: Huntington. Motion failed due to lack of majority voting in favor.

It was the consensus of the Council to put the topic of the Parkway in Barony Hill Addition under Unfinished Business for the August 27, 2007 Council Meeting. City Staff was directed to obtain further information on the maintenance and platting costs and also the impact on property owners' taxes.

Building Official Herb Castle introduced Barry Grieve, Senior Building Code Representative for the State of Minnesota. Mr. Grieve explained the role of the City Building Official.

A motion by Council Member LaBelle, seconded by Council Member Spinler to waive the second reading of **Ordinance #506** rezoning a portion of North 4<sup>th</sup> Street from "I" General Industrial to "R4" Multi-family Residential. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A motion by Council Member Wicks, seconded by Council Member Huntington to adopt Resolution #07-076 adopting **Ordinance #506** rezoning a portion of North 4<sup>th</sup> Street from "I" General Industrial to "R4" Multi-family Residential. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A motion by Council Member Huntington, seconded by Council Member Wicks to adopt Resolution #07-077 acknowledging receipt of donations to the Le Sueur Volunteer Fire Department and more clearly stated in said Resolution #07-077. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Oberle acknowledged receipt of the Minnesota River Valley Public Utilities Commission Meeting Minutes.

A motion by Council Member Vortherms, seconded by Council Member LaBelle to approve the List of Bills of August 13, 2007 as printed. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A motion by Council Member Huntington, seconded by Council Member Wicks to adopt Resolution #07-078 approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers for the period beginning January 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2008 and more clearly stated in said Resolution #07-078. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A motion by Council Member Wicks, seconded by Council Member Kerkow to adopt Resolution #07-079 acknowledging and thanking Jim Ostermann for his 36 years of service as he retires on August 31, 2007 and more clearly stated in said Resolution #07-079. Voting in favor: Council Members LaBelle, Spinler, Kerkow, Huntington, Vortherms, Wicks, and Mayor Oberle. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A motion by Council Member Huntington, seconded by Council Member Kerkow and duly carried to adjourn.

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Mayor

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City Clerk