

MOUND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 10, 2012

The City Council of the City of Mound, Hennepin County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers of city hall.

Members present: Mayor Mark Hanus; Councilmembers Kelli Gillispie, Ray Salazar, and David Osmek.

Members absent: Councilmember Heidi Gesch

Others present: City Manager Kandis Hanson, Community Development Director Sarah Smith, Josh Clemons, Mark Meyer, Bruce Gustafson, Mike McCarville, Mike Foley, Greg Palm, Chris Pounder, Tim Palm, Fire Chief Greg Pederson, Matt Morris, LeRoy & Jane Clemons, Blaze Fugina, Karly Curtis

Consent agenda: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature by the Council. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence.

1. Open meeting

Mayor Hanus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approve agenda

Kandis Hanson requested the addition of Item 6A, temporary sign permit for the Step To It Challenge.

MOTION by Osmek, seconded by Salazar to approve the agenda as amended. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Consent agenda

MOTION by Osmek, seconded by Salazar to approve the consent agenda. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

A. Approve minutes of March 27, 2012

B. Approve payment of claims in the amount of \$288,796.12

C. RESOLUTION NO. 12-35: RESOLUTION APPROVING EXPANSION PERMIT FOR PROPERTY AT 2561 WEXFORD ROAD (Case #12-01)

D. RESOLUTION NO. 12-36: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM KURT GULLICKISON FOR WAIVER OF PLATTING APPROVAL FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT XXXX MANCHESTER ROAD TO CREATE TWO (2) LOTS - PID #19-117-23-32-0219

E. Approve seasonal request for temporary placement of a storage shed and the marketing/signage program for 2012 Mound Farmers' Market & More

F. Approve Pay Request No. 1 from MinnComm Utility Construction Company in the amount of \$34,523.00 for work completed on the Island View Drive/Windsor Road Watermain Loop – City Project No. PW-12-07)

5. Comments and suggestions from citizens present on any item not on the agenda. None were offered.

6. Fire Relief Association with proposed amendments to Fire Relief Bylaws

Relief Association President Josh Clemons, and Fire Chief Greg Pederson, representing all of the active and retired Mound Fire Fighters, explained the proposed changes to the Mound Volunteer Fire Department Pension Plan. City Council approval of the pension plan changes will require amendments to the Relief Association Bylaws.

It is proposed that the plan provisions effective December 31, 2011 be: (1) On 1/1/13 the service cap increases from 20 years to 25 years; (2) The monthly benefit has changed from \$29.25 to \$30.25 after 20 years of service at normal retirement. (3) A lump sum benefit option of \$5,585 for each year of service has been added for active members with 10 or more years of service on 1/1/12. For retirements on or after 1/1/13, the 20-year limit on credited service is increased to 25. (4) For active members with fewer than 10 years of service on 1/1/12, the lump sum benefit of \$5,585 for each year of service up to 25 replaces the old \$585 per month annuity benefit after 20 or more years of service. (5) The accrued pension benefit is now vested after 10 years of service with a prorated benefit based upon MN State Statute. (6) The funeral benefit is no longer valid since it is not legal for the benefit to be paid from the Relief Special Fund.

MOTION by Osmek, seconded by Salazar to approve the proposed changes to the Mound Fire Relief Bylaws as presented and outlined above. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

6A. Temporary sign permit for Step To It Challenge

Hanson explained that Mound participated in this event last year, and this request is to display the banner for this year.

Osmek stated that he has a problem with this. Last year he was informed that the funding for this project came from Blue Cross/Blue Shield, through Hennepin County. In investigating further, he has discovered that the funding for this program comes from state funds, not private funds. He doesn't believe that the state should be involved in this type of program, and doesn't want to be a party to this program because it is funded with public funds. Hanus stated he tends to agree and also recollects that last year they were told it was funded privately, and asked how much staff time would be involved in this. Hanson stated there would be approximately 4-5 hours of city staff time involved in administering this program.

MOTION by Osmek, seconded by Salazar to discontinue Mound's participation in the Step To It Challenge Program from this point forward. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

7. Information/Miscellaneous

- A. Comments/reports from Councilmembers/City Manager
- B. Reports: Harbor Wine & Spirits – first quarter
- C. Minutes: Docks & Commons Commission – 3/5/12
Planning Commission – 3/6/12
- D. Correspondence: None

8. Adjourn

MOTION by Osmek, seconded by Salazar to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Attest: Bonnie Ritter, City Clerk

Mayor Mark Hanus