



City Council

Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

1408 Lake Street South
Forest Lake, MN 55025
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Karin Derauf, Deputy City Clerk

Monday, September 26, 2022

7:00 PM

City Center - Council Chamber

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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Mara Bain	Mayor	Present	
Sam Husnik	Councilmember	Present	
Kathy Bystrom	Councilmember	Present	
Kelly Monson	Councilmember	Present	
Hanna Valento	Councilmember	Present	

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approve the Agenda (Action)

Comments: Mayor Bain asked to remove Items 6. f. and 6. g. to be placed on a future Agenda.

Motion to: Remove Items 6. f. and 6. g. and Approve the Agenda

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mara Bain, Mayor
SECONDER:	Kathy Bystrom, Councilmember
AYES:	Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	

5. Open Forum – Citizen Petitions, Requests, and Concerns

The Open Forum is available for residents to express personal opinions for any item of business. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

6. Consent Agenda Considerations (Action Items)

Comments: Councilmember Bystrom asked to remove item 6. b. and Councilmember Husnik asked to remove item 6. c.



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Motion to: Approve Consent Agenda Items 6. a., 6. d., and 6. e.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mara Bain, Mayor
SECONDER: Sam Husnik, Councilmember
AYES: Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

a) Approve City Bills

b) Approve Minutes from September 12, 2022 Regular Council Meeting

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 to 0]
MOVER: Sam Husnik, Councilmember
SECONDER: Hanna Valento, Councilmember
AYES: Bain, Husnik, Monson, Valento
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: Bystrom
ABSENT:

c) Approve Minutes from September 19, 2022 Council Workshop

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 to 0]
MOVER: Hanna Valento, Councilmember
SECONDER: Kathy Bystrom, Councilmember
AYES: Bain, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:
ABSTAIN: Husnik
ABSENT:

d) Forest Lake Blue Line Hockey Club – LG220 Gambling Exempt Permit

e) 2022-23 Lift Station and Forcemain Improvements – Contractor Request for Payment No. 1

~~f) Water Treatment Plant 4 – Contractor Request for Payment No. 5 and Change Order No. 1~~

~~g) Beltz Park Professional Services Agreement with Bolton Menk~~

7. Regular Agenda (Action Items)

a. Resolution 09-26-22-01 - Designation of Election Judges for 2022 State General Elections

Comments: Councilmember Bystrom thanked the election judges for their service.



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Motion to: Approve Resolution 09-26-22-01 Designating Election Judges for November 8, 2022, State General Election

RESULT: ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Kathy Bystrom, Councilmember
SECONDER: Kelly Monson, Councilmember
AYES: Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

b. Motor Grader Purchase Approval

Comments: Public Works Director, Dave Adams, presented information on a 2023 Caterpillar Grader noting that the contract for the motor grader expires on September 30, 2022, and the new contract starts on October 1, 2022. He also noted that there will be approximately a 10% increase in costs due to supply chain and inflation. He acknowledged that this has not been approved for next year as it is in the 2023 budget, however, getting it approved now would save the City about \$20,000 in 2023. He indicated that the City wouldn't be billed until 2023, but that the contract could be signed now for those savings.

Motion to: Approve Purchase of 2023 Caterpillar 140 AWD Motor Grader for \$200,310

RESULT: ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Kelly Monson, Councilmember
SECONDER: Sam Husnik, Councilmember
AYES: Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

c. Resolution 09-26-22-02 - Adoption of 2023 Preliminary Property Tax Levy, Preliminary 2023 Budget, and Public Hearing Date for Final Tax Levy and Budget Adoption

Comments: City Administrator, Patrick Casey, noted that the preliminary levy must be approved by September 30, 2022, indicating that the levy cannot be increased, however, it can be reduced before the final levy approval in December. Councilmember Bystrom asked for summaries of the labor union contracts. City Administrator Casey noted the increases in wages and benefits on the settled contracts along with the labor contracts for police sergeants and police patrol. He noted that there is a request for one position in the Community Development Department. He also



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mentioned the increase in goods and services of approximately 2 to almost 3% and commented that this is conservative.

Councilmember Bystrom also asked for a summary of the tax increase chart that was provided at the previous meeting. There was discussion regarding the levy chart and Council was in support of the levy percentage that has been presented as compared to maintaining the approximate 40% that has been in the past. She also noted that the Public Hearing for the final tax levy and budget adoption will be held on December 12, 2022.

Motion to: Approve Resolution 09-26-22-02 Adopting the 2023 Preliminary Property Tax Levy, Preliminary 2023 Budget, and Public Hearing Date for Final Tax Levy and Budget Adoption

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Kathy Bystrom, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kelly Monson, Councilmember
AYES:	Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	

8. Discussion

Comments:

9. Staff Updates

Comments: Assistant City Administrator Udem commented that he will be attending the MNCAR Expo. He also noted that there is activity on the Headwaters 123 Property. Mayor Bain asked for information on elections to be at the front page of the website.

City Administrator Casey commented on the Hwy 97 project and the labor contracts. Ryan Goodman, City Engineer, also commented on the Hwy. 97 project and the open house that MnDOT will be attending on November 1, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the City Center Community Room.

Police Chief Peterson commented on Coffee with the Cops on October 5, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. that will be hosted at Keys Café.

Fire Chief, Al Newman commented on the Joint Fire Board Meeting that will be held next week. He also noted that October 9 through 15 is National Fire Week. He noted that the open house will be



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on Saturday, October 15 at the Fire Department. Fire Chief Newman also commented on the Hands Only CPR Training Program and that over 3,000 residents have been taught CPR since the beginning of the program five years ago. He indicated that all 10th graders at the high school will be going through the program and they there will be many other entities added for training. He also commented on the activity with the Fire Department and structure fires and various other calls last week

10. Mayor and City Council Updates

Comments: No updates

11. Adjourn

Motion to: Adjourn

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kelly Monson, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Hanna Valento, Councilmember
AYES:	Bain, Husnik, Bystrom, Monson, Valento
ABSENT:	