

City Council Proceedings

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City Council Meeting
Monday, April 17, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Duane Jirik called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Maggie Bass, Shawn Ryan, Duane Jirik, Bruce Wolf and Rik Seiler.

Staff Present at Meeting: City Administrator Joshua Tetzlaff, Police Chief Tim Applen, Community Development Director Ken Ondich, and Public Works Director Matt Rynda

Mayor Jirik made a proclamation calling April 29, 2023 Arbor Day in New Prague.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Administrator Tetzlaff asked that an application for a Temporary Patio be added to General Business. Motion by Councilmember Seiler, seconded by Councilmember Wolf to approve the Agenda, as amended. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS

Officers Nicholas Folkerts and Joshua Walton were both sworn into the New Prague Police Department by Mayor Jirik.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Bass, seconded by Councilmember Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0)

- A. April 3, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes and April 3, 2023, Special City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Claims for Payment: \$66,183.83
- C. LG220 MN Lawful Gambling Application for Exempt Permit for Church of St. Wenceslaus Festival Event on August 12-13, 2023, including raffles, pull-tabs, and bingo at 215 East Main Street, New Prague
- D. Q1 Financial Report for Period Ending March 31, 2023.

CITY ENGINEER PROJECT UPDATES:

City Engineer Chris Knutson provided a memo with updates from various projects taking place around the City. No action was taken.

2023 STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:

City Administrator Tetzlaff and Public Works Director Rynda provided an update on the project. No action was taken.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

No participants spoke at the meeting

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Vacation of Certain Easements in the Plat of New Prague Business Park 11th Addition, as Proposed by Properties of T&L, LLC (Brick's Boatworks). After a presentation by Community Development Director

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Ondich, there were no comments made by the public. No action was taken.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

- A. Ordinance #337 - Vacating Certain Easements in the Plat of Dohm Subdivision as Proposed by Brian Dohm (Autowash Systems, Inc.). After discussion, Mayor Jirik moved to adopt on first reading Ordinance #337. Councilmember Seiler seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

ORDINANCE(S) FOR ADOPTION:

- A. Ordinance #336 - Vacating Certain Easements in the Plat of New Prague Business Park 11th Addition, as proposed by properties of T&L, LLC (Brick's Boatworks). After discussion, Mayor Jirik moved to adopt Ordinance #336 on final reading. Councilmember Bass seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0)

RESOLUTIONS:

- A. #23-04-17-01 - Granting Approval of the Preliminary and Final Plat of New Prague Brick's Boatworks Consisting of One Lot and Public Right of Way for 8th Avenue on 10.37 Acres, New Prague, MN. Following discussion, Councilmember Wolf moved to approve. Councilmember Bass seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- i. Subdivision Agreement. Following discussion of the proposed subdivision agreement, Councilmember Seiler moved to approve the subdivision agreement. Councilmember Wolf seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- B. #23-04-17-02 - Conditional Use Permit #C2-2023 to Allow Exterior Storage for Parking/Storage of Watercraft Equipment and to Allow for Limited Retail Sales, Located at 801 6th Street NW in the I-1 Light Industrial Zoning District, as Proposed by Brick's Boatworks. Following discussion, Councilmember Bass moved to approve. Councilmember Seiler seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- C. #23-04-17-03 - Setting a Public Hearing to Vacate Certain Easements in the Plat of the Dohm Subdivision. Following discussion, Mayor Jirik moved to approve. Councilmember Wolf seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0)
- D. #23-04-17-04 - Accepting Donation from the New Prague Boys Basketball Association. Councilmember Seiler moved to approve. Councilmember Ryan seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- E. #23-04-17-05 - Amending and Restating the Enabling Resolution Establishing an Economic Development Authority for the City of New Prague. Following discussion, Councilmember Bass moved to approve, with the section numbers updated to ensure they are correct. Councilmember Seiler seconded. After additional discussion, all voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Establish Special City Council Meeting Date(s) for Board and Commission Interviews. Following discussion, directed staff to set the interviews to be held prior to the City Council meetings in May.
- B. Secure Destruction of Police Computer Hard Drives. Following discussion, Councilmember Seiler moved to secure destruction of the police computer hard drives. Councilmember Wolf seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- C. Sale of Taser X26/X26P Units, 8 Unused Cartridges, and One Data Transfer Port to Accredited Security. Following discussion, Councilmember Bass moved to allow the sale of Taser X26/X26P Units, 8 Unused Cartridges, and One Data Transfer Port to Accredited Security. Councilmember Seiler seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).
- D. Joint Council/Planning Commission Workshop. Following discussion, Council directed staff to set the joint workshop for May 8th at 6:00 p.m.
- E. Outdoor Music and Temporary Patio Request at 125 E. Main Street. After discussion, Councilmember Ryan moved to approve the request. Councilmember Bass seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

MISCELLANEOUS:

- A. Commission and Board Meeting Minutes - Park, EDA, and Charter Commission.
- B. City Administrator Tetzlaff reminded the City Council that there is a City Facilities workshop on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.
- C. Councilmember Ryan as staff about the Truck storage lot. Community Development Director Ondich stated that the owner was in the process of cleaning up the site and planned to be done by the end of the month. Staff stated that if something like this should happen again, the City does have the ability to revoke the Conditional Use Permit.
- D. Councilman Wolf asked about materials for the Facilities Workshop. City Administrator Tetzlaff said he would be handing out materials at the meeting.
- E. Councilman Wolf requested that a narrative be included with the financial statements to help them better be explained.
- F. Councilman Wolf inquired about the school district potentially ending the SRO program. City Administrator Tetzlaff said that he and Chief Applen had meetings with the district officials as well as planned on attending the School Board meeting to make sure they understand what ending the SRO program may mean. Chief Applen said that there are still two open positions, a sergeant position and a patrol officer position.

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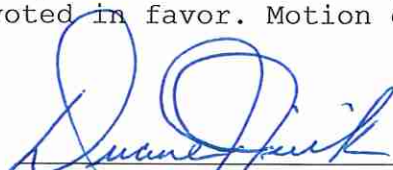
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- G. The Council and Staff discussed potential funding options for public safety that may be coming from the Legislature.
H. Councilman Seiler confirmed the dates for a few future meetings involving the City Councilmembers.

Motion by Councilmember Seiler, seconded by Councilmember Bass, to adjourn at approximately 7:28 p.m. All voted in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

ATTEST:



Duane J. Jirik
Mayor

Joshua M. Tetzlaff
City Administrator