

**City of Mountain Lake  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave  
Monday, May 15, 2023  
6:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Andrew Ysker, Dean Janzen, Bryan Bargen, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: Darla Kruser

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney;  
Ben McHenry Police Officer

Others Present: Joel Alvstad, Doug Regehr, Tom Appel

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 6:30 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda**

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 3 – 0.

Bills: Checks #27184 – 27234, 893E – 899E

Payroll: Checks #67338 – 67366

Approve April 10 Lake Commission Minutes

Approve April 11 Library Board Minutes, Expenditures, & Library Report

Approve April 3 & 17 EDA Minutes

Approve April 27 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve May 1 & 4 City Council Minutes

Approve May 4 Board of Appeal & Equalization Minutes

Approve Library Street Closure Requests

**Public**

No comments

**City Administrator**

Discussion/Action – Request from Pow Wow Road Race and Fitness Walk

Discussion/Action – Ordinance #2-23 City Park Hours (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

Discussion/Action – Labor Negotiations/ Employment

Discussion/Action – Juneteenth

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to approve the request from Pow Wow Road Race and Fitness Walk. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Councilman Bryan Barga arrived.

Michael Mueller, City Administrator read the second reading on the proposed ordinance change regarding city park hours, parks would be open from 5:00 A.M to 11:00 P.M., and shall be considered closed after 11:00 P.M.. No person should be in any park between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M unless they have written permission from the City Administrator.

LELS union accepted the updated pay scales for the police officers. An update, Dawn Fast Deputy Clerk notified the City Administrator that she will no longer be retiring in July 2023, and will retire in 2024, date unknown.

The MN legislature and Governor Walz signed into law a new state holiday Juneteenth (June 19). The holiday commemorates the end of slavery. No public business shall be transacted on state holidays, city hall must be closed. This new state holiday becomes effective in 2024, however, there are two omnibus bills in the legislature that could make Juneteenth a state holiday in 2023, if passed. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Barga to approve updating the personnel policy and union contracts, by adding Juneteenth as a holiday effective in 2024, unless MN recognizes it as a state holiday in 2023. Motion carried 4 – 0.

### **City Attorney**

An update was given to the council regarding civil processes on various properties, public nuisances, current processes, court procedures, agreements, and plans. There was a second reading for parking regulation amendment.

Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney updated the City Council on the greenhouse, and recommended approving Resolution #13-2023, Ordering The Repair Or Removal of Hazardous Buildings Under The MN Statute 463.15 to 463.61. Motion by Barga, seconded by Janzen to approve Resolution #13-2023. Motion carried 4 – 0.

### **Roundtable**

An update was given to the council regarding board and commission meetings.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk