

**City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Monday, June 6, 2022
6:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Dean Janzen, Dana Kass, Darla Kruser, Andrew Ysker, Mike Nelson

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney;
Daron Friesen Street Superintendent; Doug Bristol Police Chief

Others Present: Tom Appel, Doug Regehr, Dean Sawatzky

Call to Order

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

Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda

Motion by Kruser, seconded by Janzen, to add sunflower and union negotiations to the agenda.

Motion carried 5– 0. Motion by Kass, seconded by Kruser to approve the agenda and consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 5– 0.

Bills: Checks #26097 – 26160, 797E – 799E

Payroll: Checks #66693 – 66729

Approve April 18 EDA Board Minutes

Approve April 26 Police Commission Minutes

Approve May 12 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve May 16 City Council Minutes

Bethel Church Street Closure Request

Public

No comments

Street Department Report

Daron Friesen Street Superintendent provided a report of completed items in May. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kruser to approve M.R. Paving & Excavating bid, to overlay Mt Lake Rd, total cost of \$52,250.00. Motion carried 5– 0. Motion by Kruser, seconded by Kass to transfer unspent money from last year's budget, \$73,159.65 from the General fund to Street Savings. Motion carried 5– 0.

Police Department

Motion by Kruser, seconded by Kass to transfer unspent money from last year's budget, \$6,816.33 from the General fund to Police Savings. Motion carried 5– 0. Doug Bristol Police Chief discussed to Council the partnership with HEAT, the necessary purchase of a new bus, and

the need for their operations. The cost of the bus will be shared between 28 member communities. Motion by Kass, seconded by Kruser to make the full payment of \$7,500 to HEAT for the purchase of the bus. Motion carried 5– 0. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kass to approve the public nuisance/abatement policy, and the nuisance board. Motion carried 5– 0.

Wastewater Department

Dean Sawatzky requested to build a long range for shooting between the wastewater ponds. The Wastewater department was informed by the MPCA, it would not be permitted. No further action was taken.

Active Living Committee

The discussion/decision of a community garden was tabled.

City Attorney

There was a third reading regarding a proposed parking regulation amendment.

City Administrator

- Discussion – DNR \$20,000 Grant Approved (34-38)
- Discussion/Action – Potential City Projects
- Discussion/Action – Feasibility Study (51-54)
- Discussion – Update on APPA & MMUA Conferences
- Discussion – Union Negotiations

Michael Mueller City Administrator applied and was awarded \$20,000 from a DNR grant for removal of curly-leaf pondweed in Mountain Lake. Potential City projects and feasibility study was tabled. Utilities Commission requested a joint meeting with the EDA & City Council, to discuss the potential projects, joint meeting TBD. Mueller discussed his planned conferences and vacations, and dates he will be out of the office. Dates of union negotiations were discussed, TBD.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk