

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
FEBRUARY 18, 2014
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Eric Peterson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for February 18, 2014 to order at 7:00 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Councilmembers Eric Peterson, Linda Nanko/Yeager, Roger Elmore, Steve Zerwas and Joe Zerwas

ABSENT: NONE

Also Present: Mark Vierling, Eckberg Lammers, Robb Linwood-Assistant City Administrator, Craig Mattson-City Administrator, Fred Weck, Building Official, and Paul Hoppe, Public Safety Director

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

***Ray Horsman** – 7575 250th St. N – lived in Wyoming for 15 years. Believes that a Cell tower is not meant to be in a residential area.*

***John Koalska** – Hazel Ave – Lives near tower, believes Verizon did not do a very good job of making sure that tower needed to be at that spot and did not investigate alternative sites.*

***Bob Bohnen** – Lives on Hwy 8 – Wyoming is growing and changing its rural character.*

***Sally Sahr** – Lives on 250th St – Biggest concern is the value of the properties, believes the values of their properties will go down. I've heard there is a constant hum on the tower and that Verizon owes the people a report on how the tower will effect health, environment and if it will interrupt other cell signals.*

***Bonnie Christianson** – Lives on hale and has property on hazel – Lives near proposed cell phone tower. Does not think that a cell phone tower should be located because of a visual impact and towers and antennas should blend into surrounding environment. City of Wyoming comp plan has land use as low density neighborhoods for that area.*

***Denise Davis** – 7980 250th St – Affects her property, and feels the school may be an appropriate place, thinks council should say no and that Verizon should do an environmental study. Does not believe cell phone tower should be in residential area.*

Neil Rever – 24679 Hale Ave. – Pointed out 30ft tower height for residential areas and that the land is being taxed as residential. Let's not degrade the City of Wyoming code. Believes that no one wants a tower in their back yard.

Eric Peterson – Planning commission has done a good job with this item and tabled for more information.

Bob Bohnen – Would allow cell phone tower on his property.

“Swear in Police Officers Aaron Anderson and Lyndsay Hicken”

Mayor Peterson – Swears in officers Lyndsay Hicken and Aaron Anderson

“An opportunity for members of the public to address the City Council on items not on the current agenda. Items requiring Council action maybe deferred to staff or Boards and Commissions for research and future Council Agendas if appropriate. You will be limited to two (2) minutes and we ask that you conduct yourself in a professional, courteous manner, and refrain from the use of profanity. Failure to abide by this policy may result in the loss of your privilege to speak”.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1 Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for February 3, 2014.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER NANKO/YEAGER SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER J. ZERWAS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR FEBRUARY 3, 2014.

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the “Consent Agenda” will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- 2 Report of the Public Safety Director, Paul Hoppe for February 12, 2014
- 3 Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV for February 12, 2014.
- 4 Report of City Attorney Mark Vierling for February 13, 2014
- 5 Report of City Engineer Mark Erichson, WSB for February 13, 2014

6 Report of Wyoming Public Works Supt., Jason Windingstad for February 14, 2014

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER S. ZERWAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ELMORE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #2 THROUGH #6 AS PRESENTED.

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

7 Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District Liaison Report – Mark Lobermeier

8 City of Wyoming Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Date: Monday, April 21, 2014, 6:00PM, Wyoming City Hall

OLD BUSINESS:

9 To consider adopting **Resolution 14-02-17** a resolution authorizing the promotion of Lance Beardsley to the position of Sergeant

Public Safety Director Hoppe – Recommendation based on written exam, oral exam and leadership assessment is for Officer Beardsley. Effective February 19, 2014.

Council Member Nanko/Yeager – We could possibly be opening up the contract at the end of 2014.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER S. ZERWAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER J. ZERWAS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-02-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF LANCE BEARDSLEY TO THE POSITION OF SERGEANT

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS:

10 To consider adopting **Resolution 14-02-18** a resolution approving an updated Assessment Policy for City of Wyoming Public Streets

City Administrator Mattson – Presented to you for adoption, been reviewed by City attorney Mark Vierling

Council Member Nanko/Yeager – will be using the assessment policy soon?

Council Member Joe Zerwas – You need to have 51% for people to ask for an improvement.

Administrator Mattson – We will try to remain consistent in our road improvements and we will move forward and decide on road projects financing by the city council on a case by case basis.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER, ELMORE SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER NANKO/YEAGER TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-02-18 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED ASSESSMENT POLICY FOR CITY OF WYOMING PUBLIC STREETS

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

- 11 To consider **Resolution 14-02-19** changing the status of administrative assistant/records clerk Jeanine Rabe from probationary employee to regular time employee effective February 26, 2014

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER, J. ZERWAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER S. ZERWAS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-02-19 A RESOLUTION CHANGING THE STATUS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/RECORDS CLERK JEANINE RABE FROM PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEE TO REGULAR TIME EMPLOYEE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 26, 2014

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

CLAIMS:

- 12 Consider authorizing payment of recommended bills, payroll and Journal Entries for the period of **February 4, 2014** through **February 18, 2014.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER, NANKO/YEAGER SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER J. ZERWAS TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF RECOMMENDED BILLS, PAYROLL AND JOURNAL ENTRIES FOR THE PERIOD OF FEBRUARY 4, 2014 THROUGH FEBRUARY 18, 2014.

Voting Aye: Elmore, Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Zerwas and Zerwas

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER NANKO/YEAGER – *Attended Transportation round table with Congressman Nolan on February 14th – purpose was to have tell the congressman what our counties transportation needs are. Present were Joe Triplet, Heartland Express representative and Hwy 8 Task force. Joe Triplet and the rep from the Hwy 8 task force were asking for federal funding – Possibly a tiger grant. Reasons for the federal funding are the large traffic volume, safety improvements and possible Economic Development opportunities. Costs for Hwy 8 improvements from Greenway to Chisago City are approximately \$34 Million.*

COUNCILMEMBER J.ZERWAS – *Offered Sergeant Beardsley Congratulations*

COUNCILMEMBER ELMORE – *none*

COUNCILMEMBER S.ZERWAS – none

MAYOR PETERSON – none

City Administrator Mattson – Work Session for March 4, 2013 at 5:30pm to discuss WAC/SAC Area charges – Council agrees to work session.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ELMORE SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER NANKO/YEAGER TO ADJOURN THE FEBRUARY 18, 2014 “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 7:53PM

Voting Aye: Nanko/Yeager, Peterson, Elmore, S. Zerwas and J. Zerwas
Voting Nay: None

A portion of this public meeting may be closed to discuss “Labor Negotiation Strategies”; “Misconduct allegations or charges”; “Attorney-client privilege”; or “Performance evaluations” as per MN State Statute 13D.01-.05.

NEXT
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 4, 2014
7:00 PM