

**DEEPHAVEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2009
MINUTES**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Paul Skrede called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Paul Skrede, Councilmembers Steve Adams, Kim Crockett, Keith Kask and John Wheaton

STAFF: Police Chief Cory Johnson and City Administrator Dana Young

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Wheaton to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items:

- A. September 21, 2009 Minutes
- B. Approve October Verifieds
- C. Approve Final Payment to Pearson Bros., Inc. for 2009 Seal Coating (\$18,060.84)
- D. Approve Final Payment to Chris Wilhelm for Highcrest Drainage Project (\$5,000.00)
- E. Approve Final Payment to Pipe Services for Sewer Main Cleaning (\$28,689.84)

Seconded by Councilmember Kask. Motion carried 5-0.

4. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

Tom Anderson, President of the Deephaven Historical Society, was present to present a memorial plaque to Mayor Skrede for the many contributions that Paula Winter had made to the community. He stated that two years ago, the City of Deephaven lost a model citizen who truly represented what our community is all about. He stated that volunteers maintain the city gardens, have established a historical society, assist with Deephaven Days and make many other countless contributions to our community.

He stated that Paula Winter was one of the charter members of the Deephaven Historical Society and the Society wanted to do something special in Paula's memory. He stated that the Historical Society wanted to create something that represents the entire community and decided to establish a gratitude garden to honor those individuals who have contributed so greatly to the community. He presented a plaque to Mayor Skrede in memory of Paula Winter and to all dedicated citizens of Deephaven that would be placed in the gratitude garden. He added that the Council might want to consider adding to the gratitude garden each year by dedicating a stone to the garden with an inscription honoring deserving Deephaven residents.

Mayor Skrede thanked Tom Anderson and the Deephaven Historical Society for their generous gift to Paula Winter.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. OTHER

There was no new business this evening.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Police Department

Police Chief Cory Johnson stated that he was pleased to present the City Council with 2nd Quarter statistics for 2009. He provided some highlights that were indicative of the Department's proactive approach in comparison with the 2nd quarter from 2008:

- Sick leave is down 50%
- Part One crimes are down 53% (Assault, Robbery, Rape, Burglary, Larceny)
- DWI's are up 300%
- Medical calls are down 28%
- Vehicle accidents are down 33%
- Radio calls are up 11%
- Traffic violations are up 27%

He stated that the Officer's are doing a great job protecting the citizens of Deephaven and Woodland.

Mayor Skrede thanked Chief Johnson for making such excellent recommendations on the hiring of police officers.

Police Chief Johnson added that St. Therese Church Oktoberfest celebration is scheduled for October 10, 2009. He stated that St. Therese has hired two Officers for this event.

B. Excelsior Fire District

EFD Board Representative Crockett reminded the Council that the Fire District will be holding their annual Open House on October 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Shorewood Fire Station. She stated that the District is looking for volunteers to assist with the event.

Councilmember Crockett stated that the Fire Board met on September 23rd to discuss the \$23,000 excess levy in the 2010 EFD Budget that resulted from a lower than anticipated mandatory contribution to the Fire Relief Association. She stated that she had recommended that the excess levy be placed back into the reserves, where a substantial portion of the 2010 EFD Budget was supported through the use of reserve funds, but lacked the support of the Fire Board for this recommendation. She added that she was the only Boardmember who had been instructed by her Council to vote to return the excess levy to fund reserves.

She stated that the Fire Board had certified the EFD 2010 Budget as had been approved by each city. She added that the current 2010 mandatory contribution of \$97,194 to the Fire Relief Association could be amended at the end of the year and it might drop as low as \$80,000 depending on the continued positive performance of the pension funds.

She stated that further discussion on the \$23,000 excess levy will be held at the November Board meeting and the Board will discuss whether to return the \$23,000 to reserves or to follow the Fire

Chief's recommendations and utilize the excess levy to supplement several cuts that were made in the 2010 Operating Fund.

Mayor Skrede requested that the Council discuss the allocation of the excess levy at their November 2nd Council meeting.

C. Public Works

Administrator Young provided an update on recent and upcoming public work activities.

Mayor Skrede recommended installing reflective material on the intersection curb at Vine Hill Road and Manor Road. He also requested striping Minnetonka Blvd as soon as possible.

D. Administration

Administrator Young provided a brief summary on the following items:

- 2010 Police Union Contract Negotiations
- 2010 Public Works Union Contract Negotiations
- Yard Waste Bags
- Part-time Summer Staff
- Warming House Attendants
- Project Update

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Kask, seconded by Councilmember Adams. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana H. Young
City Administrator