

PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Minutes

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present

Paul Skrede, Police Chief Cory Johnson, John Menzel, Jeff Kask, Teresa Pendleton, and City Administrator Dana Young

Also in Attendance

Tony Jewett

Discuss 2018 Tour de Tonka / 2018 Firecracker Run (Tim Litfin)

Tim Litfin, Executive Director of Minnetonka Community Education, was present to discuss the Special Event Permit Applications that he was requesting for the 2018 Tour de Tonka and the 2018 Firecracker Run.

Tour de Tonka – Tim Litfin stated that the 2018 Tour de Tonka will be held on August 4th and the events will be very similar to last year. He stated that both the 62 mile run and the 71 mile run will start from Minnetonka Community Education building at around 7:30 a.m. He stated that, similar to last year, they will add cones to Minnetonka Blvd to make a separate lane for bicyclists.

Paul Skrede stated that coning off Minnetonka Blvd was a huge improvement last year.

Tim Litfin stated that the only small change from last year is that the 16 mile run will be kept within the coned lane on both Minnetonka Blvd and Vine Hill Road.

Firecracker Run – Tim Litfin stated that the Firecracker Run will be held on July 4th and only a portion of the 10K run will be held in Deephaven. He stated that runners will enter Deephaven from Minnetonka Blvd, turning right onto Cottagewood Road, and then will turn right on Manor Road.

He stated that only change this year is that the run will start a half hour later at the insistence of the Excelsior Mayor. Chief Johnson stated that the later start time will make scheduling more difficult as he will have to direct traffic for this event then will have to scramble over to install barricades for the start of the Cottagewood 4th of July activities.

Paul Skrede expressed concern that the later starting time could adversely impact public safety preparations for the Cottagewood 4th of July Events and the 4th of July activities at Thorpe Park.

Tim Litfin stated that both Southlake Police Department and the Excelsior Fire District also preferred the earlier start time due to traffic concerns.

Paul Skrede asked Chief Johnson to contact the Southlake Police Department on this issue and he would ask Councilmember Steve Erickson to contact Fire Chief Scott Gerber. He stated that he would contact Excelsior Mayor Mark Gaylord on his concerns regarding the later starting time for this event.

Discuss Coyote Management

Chief Johnson provided an update on recent issues pertaining to coyotes.

Further discussion was held regarding the Deer Management Program. Dana Young stated that he had been informed by the USDA that they don't intend to start deer management activities in Deephaven until later in the season.

Paul Skrede asked Administrator Young to contact the USDA to find out when they plan on starting deer management activities in Deephaven. He also asked Administrator Young to provide the Police Department with a list of animal control contractors with an interest in obtaining a more proactive deer management firm for the 2018 / 2019 season.

Other

Dana Young stated that Doug Ahrens (4011 East Valley Road) called about a "Yield to Pedestrian at Crosswalk" sign that he had found. Chief Johnson stated that this sign should have already been picked up by one of his officers.

Motion to adjourn the Public Safety Committee by Dana Young, seconded by Teresa Pendleton. The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Review 2018 Street Improvement Project

City Engineer Jeff Weyandt was present to provide an overview of the 2018 Street Improvement Project.

Excelsior Blvd (mill & overlay) – The engineer provided a brief overview of this street. Further discussion was held regarding inspecting the condition of a culvert on East Excelsior Blvd later this spring to consider the possible installation of a new catch basin and culvert at this location. It was also recommended that the inspection should include a review of curb quantities.

Highcrest Drive (reclaim) – The engineer provided a brief overview of this street. Further discussion was held on inspecting drainage conditions and curb quantities this spring.

Rosedale Avenue (mill & overlay) - The engineer provided a brief overview of this street. Further discussion was held on inspecting drainage conditions and curb quantities this spring.

Maple Chase (reclaim) - The engineer provided a brief overview of this street. Further discussion was held on inspecting drainage conditions and curb quantities this spring. Jeff

Weyandt noted that he has included 1,000 L.F. of curb to be installed on Maple Chase to address drainage issues.

Dana Young recommended adding the repair of Hillside Street as a bid alternate in order to complete the repair of all the streets in this particular area of Deephaven.

Jeff Weyandt stated that he would like to bid this project early enough for a May bid letting.

Update Ice Rink Maintenance Issues

Tony Jewett stated that he had been contacted by John Feste who was offering a 3M product that would either cover or could be applied to the Thorpe hockey rink to do a better job of maintaining the ice on the rink.

John Menzel recommended painting the rink, and possibility adding hockey lines for in-line skaters, to prevent the melting of ice from the warming of the asphalt surface. He also suggested painting the boards white.

Further discussion was held on possible options to coat or cover the hockey rink to prevent the melting of the ice surface.

Discuss 2018-2028 Storm Water Improvement Schedule

Dana Young stated that the City’s Storm Water Management Plan has to be updated along with the City’s Comprehensive Plan. He provided the following list of potential storm water projects for inclusion in the 2018-2028 Storm Water Improvement Schedule:

Project Description	Estimated Cost	Approximate Timeframe
Northome Road Storm Water Repair	\$12,000	2018
Easton Pond Improvement	\$30,000	2018
Minnetonka Blvd Erosion	\$15,000	2019
Honeysuckle Road Storm Water Repair	\$22,000	2020
Walden Trail Storm Water Repair	\$22,000	2020
Heathcote Road Storm Water Repair	\$30,000	2021
Cottagewood Road Catch Basin Install	\$10,000	2021
Northome Avenue Storm Water Extension	\$80,000	2022
Summerville Road Pipe Replacement	\$80,000	2024
Easton Road Storm Water Extension	\$174,500	2026
Park Place & Cottagewood Road Repair	\$80,000	2028

Other

Discussion was held on the landscaping plan for the Thorpe Park parking island. Paul Skrede recommended removing the dead trees on the parking island just prior to the excavation work at the warming house. He stated that a landscaping plan will be developed after the excess fill from the excavation is stored and graded on the parking island.

Dana Young stated that the City has included funding for the treatment of duckweed at the Thorpe Park pond in 2018 and asked if he should continue to contract with Lake Restoration to treat the pond. It was the consensus of the Committee to continue treatments of the Thorpe Pond.

Discussion was held regarding possible locations for paddleboard storage at Deephaven Beach. Dana Young suggested a site immediately north of the sports court. Jeff Kask stated that he heard that some of this property was privately owned. Dana Young stated that he would check into it.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Dana Young, seconded by Jeff Kask. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Public Works Committee will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018.