

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES / OCTOBER 18, 2016

OFFICIAL RECORDED MINUTES OF LAKELAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

NEW CITY HALL GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY
5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The ceremony was performed at 1190 Saint Croix Trail South. Mayor Williams gave a brief speech thanking present members of city council, city staff and local residents for their support and hard work into making the New City Hall possible. Those in attendance included members of the City Council (Mayor Amy Williams, Council Members; Evan Loenser and Jeri Ryan), City Staff (Public Works Director Matt Klein and City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone), Contractors of Parkos Construction (Jack and Michelle Parkos) and many local residents.

WORKSHOP: Right-of-Way
5:40 p.m. to 6:03 p.m.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Amy Williams, Council Member Evan Loenser, Council Member Jeri Ryan, Council Member Richard Glasgow, Council Member Joe Paiement

STAFF PRESENT: City Attorney Dave Snyder, City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone, Public Works Director Matt Kline

1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Williams at 6:06 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE was recited.
3. ADOPT AGENDA:
 - A. City Lawn Tractor Purchase/Lawn Maintenance Contract Services
 - B. Off-Street Parking
 - C. Lakeland Housing Plan

Motion: Council Member Ryan / Second: Council Member Loenser to adopt Agenda Items (A-C). All Ayes (5-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 02:30

4. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. Approval of September 20, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes
 - B. Monthly List of Claims
 - C. City Treasurer's Report

Motion: Council Member Loenser / Second Council Member Ryan to adopt Consent Agenda (A-C). No discussion. All Ayes (5-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 02:51

5. AGENCY REPORTS
 - A. Law Enforcement Report

Mayor Williams reported 87 ICRs for September, despite reduced watercrafts out. Also, is waiting to hear more regarding a considerable accident which took place off the exit ramp of I-94 onto Saint Croix Trail South. She noted continued awareness of safety concerns regarding this intersection. Comments shared by Council Member Glasgow on another accident that took place.

B. Fire Department Report

Mayor Williams referred to Council Member Glasgow for the Fire Department Report, nothing to report.

C. Government Affairs Report

Mayor Williams referred to report in packets from Mark Nagel. Discussion ensued (Mayor Williams, Council Member Jeri Ryan) regarding a renewed interest in senior housing by developers.

D. Animal Control Report

One lost cat, one lost dog and one found cat. A warning letter was sent regarding barking dogs.

E. Building Permit Report

No questions or comments on report in packet.

Time Stamp 07:00

6. OPEN FORUM (Public comments, presentations and petitions)

No comments.

Time Stamp 07:20

7. CITY BUSINESS

City Lawn Tractor Purchase/Lawn Maintenance Contract Services

Public Works Director Matt Kline discussed the need for a new lawn mower due to the current one essentially being totaled. Quotes for two different lawn mowers were provided, as well as the option of contracting the service out. Public Works Director Matt Kline recommended deferring a decision on the lawn mower issue to allow for a more complete analysis. Council decided to table item until further discussion in January 2017.

Time Stamp 11:05

Off-Street Parking

City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone discussed the city's off-street parking ordinance specifically regarding recreational vehicles in comparison to similar sized metro cities. Mayor Williams opened the discussion as to why parking a boat in a driveway would be prohibited and posed whether or not the current ordinance is reflective of how the community wants to live. Discussion ensued (Mayor Amy Williams, Council Members Richard Glasgow, Joe Paiement and Evan Loenser, City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone). Council decided to hold the November city council workshop inviting residents to an open discussion surrounding off-street parking and storage of recreational vehicles.

Time Stamp 35:50

Lakeland Housing Plan

Mayor Williams provided an overview of the Lakeland Housing Plan as published by the Metropolitan Council, as part of the city's Comprehensive Plan.

Time Stamp 37:25

8. CITY STAFF REPORTS

Public Works Director Matt Kline

Water Utility will be assessing the city's water bills this year. Any accounts two periods past due will be assessed due taxes, receive a letter and a hearing will be held at the November city council meeting.

City Attorney Dave Snyder

Reported all to be quiet and well in the city.

9. CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR REPORTS

Council Member Evan Loenser

No report.

Council Member Jeri Ryan

No report.

Council Member Richard Glasgow

No report.

Council Member Joe Paiement

Shared a story about another city refusing to pay the WMO (Water Management Organization), stating they do not have the budget to do so.

Mayor Amy Williams

Attended a non-profit fundraiser for Granite House in West Lakeland Township, which will provide rehabilitative care and housing for persons with severe disorders of consciousness due to brain injury. Encouraged any of the council not familiar with the organization to look into it. Shared Gateway update on Lake Elmo recently opting out, which effects the line route. Metro Transit is reported to have moved forward with installing a Park and Ride structure at Manning and I-94 within the next 24 months.

10. ADJOURN

Motion: Council Member Ryan / Second: Council Member Loenser to Adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting. All Ayes (5-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Hutchins Farrell

Amy Williams, Mayor

Sandy Thone, City Administrator/Clerk