MANTORVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2016
6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Bradford called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

   Members Present: Chuck Bradford, Henry Blair, Sherry Roth and Will Lambert.

   Others Present: Gretta Becay, Steve Schimek, Dan Trapp, DCSO Matt Stradtmann, Scott Larsen and Cami Reber.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Done

3. **Additions/Deletions to Agenda** - None

4. **Consent Agenda** – Motion made by Member Lambert, second by Member Blair to approve the consent agenda as follows:
   a) City Council Meeting Minute's May 9, 2016
   b) Warrant List May 23, 2016
   c) Dodge County Board of Commissioners Meeting Notice
   d) 2016 LBAE Notice of Meeting Outcome
   e) Southern MN Initiative Foundation

   Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Public Concerns**
   Steve Schimek, 810 Hickory Lane, spoke to the Council on a couple of concerns he has. He is wondering if the City is going to do anything about the tore up yard at 7th and Jefferson and if the current condition violates any City ordinances. There was discussion with the deputy about what he knew was going on. Cami also noted that she and the City Engineer had taken a look at the property and Cami was trying to get in touch with the property owner but hadn't yet. Cami will follow up with a letter to him. Also check on the vehicles with expired tabs on the property. Steve is also concerned with the dips in the road on Hickory Lane and asked if the City is ever planning to fix those. Scott will take a look at them when he does the street survey this year.

6. **Public Hearing** - none

7. **Old Business/New Business**
   a) Approval of KM Girls Softball Association Raffle Permit
   Motion made by Member Blair, second by Member Roth to approve the application for the KM Girls Softball Association Raffle. Motion passed unanimously.

   b) Recertification of Cancelled Assessments – RESOLUTION 2016-06
   James Jasperson, 302 Bluff Street, spoke to the Council regarding the parcel of land that he just purchased that the City Council is considering reassessing cancelled assessment to. He does not feel that any new buyer should be responsible for an assessment of someone's wrong doing. Mayor Bradford explained to the Council the current situation and it is his understanding that Mr. Jasperson is asking for the City to waive and reconsider those past fees.

   The total amount of the assessment is $6,435 broken out into two pieces. The Fire Call fee of $1,580 was for when the cabinet shop burned down and then the removal of the debris that the City had to complete is $4,855. Member Roth asked if it was known at the time of purchase that this money was owed on the property. Cami explained that it was known that there was a previous assessment on the property that was cancelled out when it went into tax forfeiture but that the City could come back and reassess that to the property and the new buyer would be responsible for it. Member Roth is opposed to it; she clarified that it was placed on the property and a known thing that comes with the purchase of it. Member Lambert feel's that we should not attach that liability back to the new owner. He is opposed to recertifying it to the taxes. Mr. Jasperson feels that yes they are aware of it as someone else's wrongdoing which they had nothing to do with. It seems wrong that the City is coming after them for doing the right thing by purchasing the parcel, increasing tax value and maintaining a nice place.

Member Roth noted that it was an expense that was incurred to improve the value of the property that would have had to be done by whoever purchased it. Member Blair noted that he feels that the cleanup part of it is an expense that actually changed the value of the property. The Fire Call doesn't necessarily change anything with the property. That portion is easier to not hold against the new owner and then there is the value that the City receives at the sale as well. Potentially some room from the $6,435 number.

Motion made by Member Roth to amend Resolution 2016-06 and reduce the amount by the fire call expense which was $1,580. Mr. Jasperson asked if this includes the 20% for which we are going to get paid on it. Motion died for lack of a second. Council discussed the sale proceeds of the property sale and making an adjustment to the amount reassessed based on that difference. Member Lambert noted it would be helpful to get the amount of taxes we did not receive. Motion made by Member Blair, second by Member Lambert to table Resolution 2016-06. Motion passed unanimously. This will come back to the next Council Meeting.

c) **City Zoning Code – Continued Discussion on Transitional District**
This is an ongoing discussion. The Mayor asked how the Council wants to proceed. Continue going down the course we have or adhock a committee to look at this and come back to the Council with a recommendation and from that recommendation have the Council discussion. Member Roth felt it might be better for a committee to bring back recommendations as it might go faster. Member Lambert volunteered to be a part of the committee. Mayor Bradford will also be on that committee. Cami will get with them to set up a meeting.

d) **City Zoning Code – Section 150.025**
This will also be discussed by the committee and recommended changes brought to Council.

8. TBD

a) **Public Works Report** – Scott talked to the Council about adding a part time mower for this year. Scott is looking at 6 hours a day or as needed, for mowing, trimming and light maintenance. Motion made by Member Lambert, second by Member Blair to allot up to $3,000 in increments to be determined by the City Maintenance Department for additional maintenance department help at the rate of $10.50 per hour. Motion passed unanimously. Scott should work with Cami on getting this all implemented. Scott also reported that the walls are on schedule for June 1 and noted the work at the WWTP. The Mayor noted that there is some interest from Council Members to do a walk-through of the Kasson WWTP. Scott will get that set up.

b) **City Clerk Report** – Cami reported on the June 6 Special Meeting, and that the 5th Street plans will also be brought to that meeting. Zumbro Watershed Group will be bringing their plans to the Park Board meeting on May 31. They would like to have the Council also present or a quorum of in order to be able to vote on the plans. There is also a preconstruction meeting set for Wednesday, June 8 at 7:30 pm, if anyone is interested in attending. Cami plans to post for a possible quorum of Council in attendance at the Park Board Meeting.

c) **Consultant Report** – No Consultant Report

d) **Committee Report**

MRA – Member Lambert reported that the gambling is going well and the State is happy with the progress. Mr. Dripps presented the architectural drawing for his planned development. People were favorable to it with the reservation to review the color palette.

e) **Council Member Report -** none

f) **Mayor Report -** none

9. **Executive Session -** none

10. **Adjourn** – Motion made by Member Blair, second by Member Roth to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm. Motion passed unanimously.