

**Hastings, Minnesota  
City Council Minutes  
June 4, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 4, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Hastings, Minnesota

**Members Present:** Mayor Hicks, Councilmembers Alongi, Hollenbeck, Nelson, Schultz, Balsanek and Slavik.

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Dave Osberg  
City Attorney Dan Fluegel  
Assistant City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee  
Police Chief Paul Schnell  
Public Works Director Tom Montgomery  
Assistant Engineer John Caven  
Finance Director Char Stark

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Hicks asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular City Council Meeting on May 21, 2012. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as presented.

**Council Items to be Considered**

Osberg requested that the following item be added to the Consent Agenda: Change Order Authorization for the Ashland Street Storm Sewer

Moved by Councilmember Slavik, seconded by Councilmember Balsanek to add the item to the Consent Agenda.

7 ayes, Nays, none.

**Consent Agenda**

Moved by Councilmember Nelson, seconded by Councilmember Schultz to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

7 Ayes; Nays, None.

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Approve Closing City Offices on Monday, December 24, 2012
3. Resolution 06-01-12—Approve Dakota County Traffic Safety Grant
4. Schedule Special City Council Meeting for Monday August 27, 2012 at 7:00 pm to Discuss 2013 Budget
5. Approve Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for Development of Optical Fiber Network
6. Request for Cancellation of Ambulance Invoices
7. Bailey Street Temporary Road Closure
8. Resolution 06-02-12—Approve Liquor License Amendment and Outdoor Music Permit: Green Mill Restaurant
9. Resolution 06-03-12—Approve Liquor License Amendment and Outdoor Music Permit: The Bar

10. Resolution 06-04-12—Approve Temporary Liquor License—Hastings Area Jaycees (Rivertown Days)
11. Resolution 06-05-12—Approve Fireworks License for Sterling Drug #14
12. Resolution 06-06-12—Approve Fireworks License for Walmart Superstore #1472
13. First Reading/Ordinance Amendment—Code 110: Pawn Brokers
14. Approve Sewer Service Repair Assessment – 321 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street
15. First Reading and Order Public Hearing—Vacation of Easement #2012-24: Riverwood 8<sup>th</sup> Addition
16. Approve Purchase of Replacement Slide at HFAC
17. Order Authorization for the Ashland Street Storm Sewer

**Public Hearing—Annual Storm Water Permit Activities Update**

Caven introduced the item and discussed the new permit cycle, impact of storm water, and the increase in documentation requirements over the next five years.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:05; Council asked questions about the Federal Clean Water Act and what will happen if we don't comply. Montgomery explained the resulting impact of water quality and mitigation. Council thanked him for the explanation.

Hearing no further comment, Public Hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

**Public Hearing—Ordinance Amendment Relating to Licenses: Billiards and Pool**

Mesko Lee introduced the item and explained this ordinance amendment is merely a housecleaning item to discontinue licensing billiards and pool, as fees for these licenses have already been discontinued.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:12, hearing no further comments, Public Hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

**Second Reading/City Ordinance Amendment 2012-09— Licenses: Billiards and Pool**

Moved by Councilmember Schultz, seconded by Councilmember Nelson to approve as presented.

7 Ayes; Nays, None.

**Public Hearing—Ordinance Amendment Relating to Fees: Civic Arena**

Mesko Lee introduced the item and explained the increase in fees of 3% is comparable to the pricing for surrounding cities.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:12; hearing no comments, Public Hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

**Second Reading/City Ordinance Amendment 2012-10 Relating to Fees: Civic Arena**

Moved by Councilmember Alongi, Seconded by Councilmember Balsanek to approve as presented

7 Ayes; Nays, None

**First Reading and Order Public Hearing—Water Utility Ordinance Amendment and Changes to Non-Payment Water Shut Off Policy**

Montgomery introduced the item. There was discussion about the process changes and the amount of staff time invested in collecting unpaid utility bills. The proposed change will be no after-hour calls to turn water back on due to shut offs for non-payment, and no payments will be accepted in the field by staff. Osberg thanked staff for working together to improve the process.

Moved by Councilmember Schultz, Seconded by Councilmember Balsanek to approve the first reading and order public hearing as presented.

7 Ayes; Nays, None

**Approval of 2011 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

Stark introduced the item and explained the requirement of the City to have an annual audit conducted. Clifton Allen Larsen conducted the audit. The City of Hastings received an excellent report and has been awarded the GFOA Award of Excellence in Financial Reporting. Council thanked and commended staff and auditors for their hard work.

Moved by Councilmember Schultz, seconded by Councilmember Slavik to approve as presented.

7 Ayes; Nays, None.

**Reports from City Committees, Officers, Councilmembers:**

- There will be a reception at the American Legion on Thursday, June 14 from 5:30 – 7:00 to welcome members of the First Battalion, 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry
- Monday June 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers—Planning Commission
- Tuesday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers—Parks and Recreation Commission
- Tuesday, June 12, 5:00 – 5:45 p.m. in Council Chambers—Crestview Park Neighborhood Meeting
- Thursday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers—HEDRA Commission
- Saturday, June 16—Large Scale Disaster Exercise
- Monday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers—City Council Meeting

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Councilmember Slavik, seconded by Councilmember Hollenbeck to adjourn meeting at 7:45 p.m.

  
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Paul J. Hicks, Mayor

  
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Melanie Mesko Lee, City Clerk