

**Hastings, Minnesota
City Council Minutes
June 4, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday June 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4th Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Hicks, Councilmembers Folch, Braucks, Leifeld, Lund, Vaughan, Balsanck

Staff Present: City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee
Administrative Services Director Julie Flaten
City Attorney Dan Fluegel
Community Development Director John Hinzman

Pleasant Hill Library Update – Mary Scheide

Mary Scheide with the Pleasant Hill Library presented Council with an update on summer programming at Pleasant Hill and other Dakota County library branches.
Council thanked Mary for the information

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Hicks asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting or the Council Workshop meeting on May 21, 2018.
Minutes were approved as presented.

Council Items to be Considered

Councilmember Vaughan asked to pull #5 Approve Advance Resignation Notice Program. Mayor Hicks stated it will be placed as #2 under Administration.

Councilmember Balsanck asked to pull #2 Resolution 06-01—18 Approve Tobacco License for Rudy's at the Pines, 2015 Westview Drive, Hastings, MN. Mayor Hicks stated it will be placed as #3 under Administration.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Leifeld moved, seconded by Councilmember Braucks to approve as amended.

Ayes, 7; Nays, none.

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. **Resolution 06-01-18** – Approve Tobacco License for Rudy's at the Pines, 2015 Westview Drive, Hastings, MN
3. **Resolution 06-02-18** – Approve Temporary 1-Day Gambling Permit for YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities for the Annual Duck Race on July 22, 2018
4. **Resolution 06-03-18** – Accept Donation for Memorial Bench from Frances and Joseph Knollmaier
5. Approve Advance Resignation Notice Program
6. Designate Relay for Life as a Special Event on August 3, 2018
7. Accept Resignation of Heritage Preservation Commissioner Nikki Johnson Ussatis
8. Declare Excess Property in Police Department
9. Conduct First Reading and Order Public Hearing for June 18, 2018 for Ordinance Amendments to Chapter 34: Fees and Chapter 91: Animals

Resolution 06-04-18 – Amended Site Plan – Wise Funeral Home (400 Spring St)

Hinzman introduced the item requesting Council review and take action on a proposed amendment to the April 16th site plan approval of a funeral home and crematory addition.

Council discussion on setback and landscaping.

Councilmember Balsanck moved, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan to approve as presented.

Ayes, 7; Nays, none.

Special Events Policy

Flaten introduced the item requesting Council review and adopt a special events policy that will define amount of City support that will be provided to organizations seeking to hold events in public places in Hastings.

Council discussion on objectives of policy, tiers, fees, waiving of fees, review after 12 months, insurance requirements, and history of Police Reservists stipend.

Councilmember Braucks moved, seconded by Councilmember Folch to approve as presented.

Ayes, 7; Nays, none.

Approve Advance Resignation Notice Program (#5 on Consent Agenda)

Council discussion on need and reasons for program, availability to all employees, costs, overlap between new and existing employees, and training opportunities.

Staff explained that providing an incentive for employees to give advance notice of resignation/retirement allows the City time to prepare for the employees replacement by allowing ample time to review the job duties and qualifications, post the job, interview, and potentially leave overlap time for some cross training before the outgoing employee has left.

Councilmember Leifeld moved, seconded by Councilmember Balsanck to approve as presented.

Ayes, 6; Nays, 1 (Vaughan voting nay)

Resolution 06-01-18 – Approve Tobacco License for Rudy’s at the Pines, 2015 Westview Drive, Hastings, MN (#2 on Consent Agenda)

Councilmember Balsanek asked if Council would be willing to consider raising legal age to purchase tobacco in City limits and send topic to committee. Discussion on whether should be handled at State level, what other communities are doing, where is topic in legislative process. Topic to be brought up at next council meeting for discussion on sending to committee. There were no concerns with Tobacco License for Rudy’s at the Pines.

Councilmember Balsanek moved, seconded by Councilmember Lund to approve as presented.


Ayes, 7; Nays, none.

Mayor Hicks and Councilmembers made the following announcements:

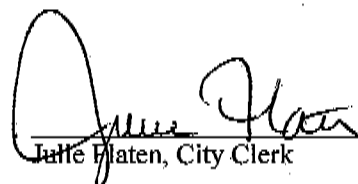
- Councilmember Folch asked staff to contact MnDOT regarding sweeping and spraying along Highway 61 for weed control.
- Filing closes Tuesday, June 5th at 5:00 p.m. for the Mayor and At-Large Councilmember seats.
- Summer Kick-Off event at Levee Park Tuesday, June 5th at 5:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission will conduct interviews on Tuesday, June 5th at 6:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission will meet on Monday, June 11th at 7:00 p.m.
- City Council will conduct a workshop on Monday, June 11th at 7:00 p.m. on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity.
- HEDRA will have a workshop on Tuesday, June 12th at 6:30 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 12th at 7:00 p.m.

- HEDRA will meet on Thursday, June 14th at 6:30 p.m.
- City Council will conduct a workshop on Monday, June 18th at 5:30-p.m. on the 2019 budget.
- City Council meetings will be held on July 9th and July 23rd.
- Planning Commission meetings will be held on July 16th and July 30th.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Leifeld, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Paul Hicks, Mayor



Julie Platen, City Clerk