

**Hastings, Minnesota  
City Council Minutes  
February 4, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday, February 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

**Members Present:** Mayor Fasbender, Councilmembers Balsanek, Braucks, Folch, Leifeld, Lund and Vaughan.

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Interim City Administrator Julie Flaten  
City Attorney Dan Fluegel  
Community Development Director John Hinzman  
Parks and Recreation Director Chris Jenkins

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Fasbender asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting and Workshop on January 22, 2019.

Minutes were approved as presented.

**Comments from the Audience**

Kyle Erickson of 1968 Ridge Lane asked if the completion of the trail between 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Streets was going to be discussed. This will be addressed at the 2019 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement Public Hearing on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Consent Agenda**

Councilmember Lund motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Braucks. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0 (Councilmember Leifeld was not presented at this vote).

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Acceptance of Sponsorship from SMEAD Manufacturing Co. for Performances in the Park
3. Resolution No. 02-01-19: Accept a Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department from Dakota Electric for Summer Kick Off Celebration Event
4. Resolution No. 02-02-19: Accept Donation to Fire & EMS Department from Modern Woodman
5. Resolution No. 02-03-19: Approve Final Payment for 2018 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements (\$74,992.30) – BCM Construction
6. Accept Letter of Resignation: Heritage Preservation Commissioner Jake Hauk

**Presentation of 2018 Community Development Annual Report**

Hinzman presented the 2018 Community Development Annual Report. The Community Development Department provides land use planning, zoning, economic development, redevelopment, and historic preservation services to the City of Hastings. This report is a recap of the variety of projects worked on in 2018.

Council discussion on positive reports reflecting the growth of single-family housing, multi-family units, and commercial entities in Hastings. Further discussion on the need for affordable housing


and single-family homes in the \$300,000 to \$400,000 range, role of staff and Council to get more developers interested in developing land in Hastings for single-family homes. Council also shared their appreciation to staff, volunteer commissions and committee members. Concern was shared over not enough land available for developers and if there may be a possible need for the City to start annexing neighboring land.

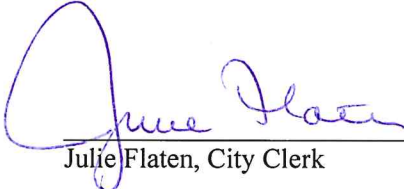
No action required on this report.

Mayor Fasbender and Councilmembers made the following announcements:

- Councilmember Braucks announced Lumin Theater will start their performance of the Scarlet Letter this weekend and will run through the month of February
- Councilmember Balsanek read an email from Parks & Recreation Director Chris Jenkins about the quality of Lake Rebecca
- Mayor Fasbender requested the Planning Committee of Council, consisting of chair Vaughan, Councilmembers Balsanek and Leifeld, to re-evaluate Keeping of Chickens in residential areas Ordinance, this ordinance was last reviewed in 2009.
- Councilmember Braucks thanked first responders, police, fire, public works, and parks & recreation for working during the cold weather
- Councilmember Balsanek announces the League of Minnesota Cities is having their legislative conference at the State Capitol on February 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>
- Councilmember Folch announced the Boys' Varsity Hockey Team Senior Night is February 14<sup>th</sup>
- State of the City Address will be on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Dakota Pines Golf Course
- On Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Dakota County Transportation will have an Open House to discuss County Road 42/Mississippi Trail Reconstruction from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Schaar's Bluff Gathering Center
- The Public Safety Advisory Commission will have a Work Session on Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall
- Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall
- City Council Strategic Workshops on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall
- HEDRA meeting on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall
- City Offices will be closed on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> for the observance of President's Day
- Equity Innovation Lab on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Dakota Pines Banquet Center

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Lund, seconded by Councilmember Braucks. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

  
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Mayor Fasbender, Mayor

  
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Julie Flaten, City Clerk