

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

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4th Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

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

Members Absent: Councilmember Leifeld

Staff Present: Interim City Administrator Julie Flaten
City Attorney Dan Fluegel

Presentation: Dakota County Library's 2018 Annual Report
Pleasant Hill Library Director Julia Carlis presented the report.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Fasbender asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on February 19, 2019.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Balsanek motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Folch. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0.

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Resolution No. 03-01-19: Accept Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department for a Memorial Bench from the Zuzek Family
3. Resolution No. 03-02-19: Support of the Twin Cities-Milwaukee-Chicago Second Train
4. Resolution No. 03-03-19: Authorizing Application to Minnesota GreenCorps
5. Memo: Authorize Police Department Building Roof Project, Chiller, and Budget Amendment
6. Special Event Designation: The Longer Table
7. Memo: 2019 Emerald Ash Borer Treatment Program
8. Memo: Approve 2019 Dakota County Drug Task Force Contract Amendment

Approval of City Administrator Executive Search Firm

Flaten introduced the item requesting Council to accept the proposal from The Mercer Group for Executive Search Firm Services to assist with recruiting and hiring a City Administrator. The Mercer Group is a well-respected executive search firm who have conducted numerous nationwide top City official searches. Recently they have conducted City Administrator/Manager searches for the cities of Forest Lake, South St. Paul, and West St. Paul. Jim Miller will be the main contact for the City Council and staff during the search process.

Council discussion on the quality of the proposals received and the strength of the firms interviewed, availability, dependability, and experience of Jim Miller, staying on track with the timeline of the recruitment/hiring process of the City Administrator.

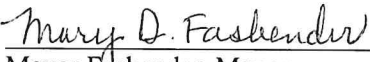
Councilmember Balsanek motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan.

Ayes, 6; Nays, 0.

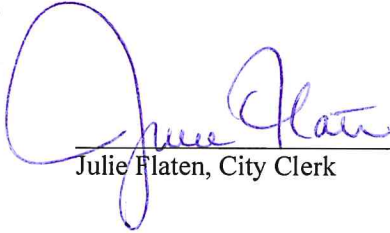
Mayor Fasbender and Councilmembers made the following announcements:

- Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall
- HEDRA meeting on Thursday, March 14th at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall
- Alternative Spring Break March 11th – March 14th at Hastings High School
- New employee reception in the Community Room at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 18th
- Councilmember Vaughan will attend the MN High-Speed Rail Commission meeting on Thursday, March 7th
- Police Reserve Banquet on Wednesday, March 20th
- Councilmember Folch stated the final Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Lab was held. Appreciation shared for the commitment by the community to this initiative

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Balsanek, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



Mary Fasbender, Mayor



Julie Flaten, City Clerk