

**Hastings, Minnesota
City Council Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom video conference.

Mayor Fasbender explained why and referenced various city, state and federal declarations and guidelines that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Members Present: Mayor Fasbender, Councilmembers Braucks, Folch, Fox, Leifeld and Vaughan

Members Absent: Councilmember Lund

Staff Present: City Administrator Dan Wietecha
Assistant City Administrator Kelly Murtaugh
City Attorney Korine Land
Community Development Director John Hinzman

Comments from the Audience

Mayor Fasbender stated comments received have been distributed to all councilmembers and are acknowledged.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Fasbender asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the City Council workshop or regular meeting on June 7, 2021.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Approve Pay Estimate #1 – 2021 Mill & Overlay Program – Bituminous Roadways (\$107,548.50)
3. Approve Pay Estimate No. 1 – 2021 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements – W 15th Street, Phase II – McNamara Contracting (\$106,415.20)
4. Resolution No. 06-15-21: Approve 2021-2022 Liquor License Renewals
5. Resolution No. 06-16-21: Approve 2021-2022 Tobacco License Renewals
6. Resolution No. 06-17-21: Approve River Investments Inc. d/b/a The Busted Nut Bar & Grill Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License
7. Resolution No. 06-18-21: Acceptance and Appreciation of a Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department from the Schulte Family
8. Resolution No. 06-19-21: Acceptance and Appreciation of a Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department from the Seleski
9. Resolution No. 06-20-21: Acceptance and Appreciation of a Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department from the Clark and Thiboldeaux Families
10. Resolution No. 06-21-21: Approve Temporary Gambling Permit for Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center
11. Resolution No. 06-22-21: Approve a Massage Therapy License Renewal for Jeanne Lecher
12. Declare Police Squad Equipment Surplus Property
13. Declare Abandoned Property Surplus – Police Department

14. Authorize Signature: Long Term Stormwater BMP Agreement - Custom Sawdust (525 East 31st St)
15. Resolution No. 06-23-21: Insurance Proceeds from Fire Damaged Buildings
16. Approve Carbone's Liquor License Amendment
17. Designate the American Cancer Society Relay for Life as a Special Event

Councilmember Braucks motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Leifeld. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0.

Resolution No. 06-24-21: Site Plan - Quality One Woodwork Expansion (3005 Millard Ave)

Hinzman discussed the proposed site plan to expand Quality One Woodwork's building and summarized that Council previously approved the transfer of two properties needed for the expansion. The Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval.

Council discussed the effects the easement may have on the adjacent City owned proper if it were to be sold and built on.

Councilmember Folch motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Fox. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0.

Resolution No. 06-25-21: Special Use Permit - Climate Controlled Storage - Rymer (275 33rd St W)

Hinzman discussed the special use permit application, summarized the ordinance amendment history allowing climate controlled storage within City limits and received public comment. The Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval.

Council discussed the lighting, accessibility and security of the building.

Councilmember Leifeld motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Folch. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0.

Resolution No. 06-26-21: Variance - Garage Sideyard Setback - Schmitz (809 6th Street W)

Hinzman discussed the variance request, received public comment and that the Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval.

Councilmember Fox motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Leifeld. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0.

Emergency Declaration

1. Emergency Paid Sick Leave

Wietecha recapped the various emergency declarations and the associated expiration dates and explained the recommendation to extend the Emergency Sick Leave expiration date.

Council discussed expiration dates and Emergency Sick Leave extension.

Councilmember Folch motioned to approve the Emergency Paid Sick Leave through September 30, 2021, seconded by Councilmember Fox.

Council discussed if American Rescue Plan funds may be used to pay for sick leave and when the money needs to be used.

Roll Call: Ayes 0; Nays 6.

Council discussed whether an end date for the Emergency Paid Sick Leave needed to be specified.

Councilmember Folch motioned to approve the Emergency Paid Sick Leave through the December 31, 2021, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0.

Mayor Fasbender and Councilmembers made the following announcements:

- Summer Programs at Levee Park...
 - Tuesday, June 22, Performance in the Park with Afoutayi Haitian Dance. Supported by Smead Manufacturing and the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council.
 - Thursday, June 24, Music in the Park with No Limits B-Side Band. Supported by the Ruth and George Doffing Charitable Foundation.
 - Friday, June 25, Movie in the Park is Planes: Fire and Rescue. Sponsored by Ardent Mills. Please bring a non-perishable food donation for Hastings Family Service.
 - Wednesday, June 30, Storytime in the Park, and the theme is Farm. In partnership with Pleasant Hill Library.
 - Thursday, July 1, Music in the Park with The Jolly Huntsmen. Supported by the Ruth and George Doffing Charitable Foundation.
- Congratulations to Officer Vomastek and K-9 Sonny for their “top rookie” and agility awards at the Region 12 Trials last week.
- City Offices will be closed on Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day.
- Planning Commission Meeting on **Monday, June 28, 2021 at 7:00 pm**
- Regular City Council Meeting on **Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 7:00 pm**, this meeting will be in-person

Councilmember Vaughan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Braucks. Roll Call: Ayes 6; Nays 0

Mary Fasbender, Mayor

Kelly Murtaugh, City Clerk