

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINNESOTA TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024 7 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Dan Louismet called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. The City Clerk took attendance for Councilmembers Kevin Edberg, Steven Engstran, Heidi Hughes, Bill Walsh, and Andrea West. Staff in attendance were City Manager Lindy Crawford, Public Works Director/City Engineer Paul Kauppi, Environmental Specialist/Water Resources Engineer Connie Taillon, City Clerk Caley Longendyke and City Attorney Dave Anderson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on June 25, 2024

It was moved by Councilmember **Engstran**, seconded by Councilmember **West**, to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Louismet reported a correction to the title of *Consent Agenda* item 4C regarding a lease agreement extension, explaining that it is for the White Bear Dance Center. It was moved by Councilmember **Engstran**, seconded by Councilmember **West**, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Accept minutes: May Park Advisory Commission, May Environmental Advisory Commission, May White Bear Lake Conservation District
- B. Resolution approving telecommunications equipment lease amendments with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC **Res. No. 13381**
- C. Resolution authorizing a lease agreement extension with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Corrected to White Bear Dance Center Res. No. 13382

It was moved by Councilmember **Engstran**, seconded by Councilmember **Walsh**, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

5. VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition of Service – Rick Johnston, Environmental Advisory Commission

The City Council and City staff recognized Rick Johnston, outgoing member of the Environmental Advisory Commission (EAC). Mr. Johnston has served the City and community in this capacity since 2018. Mayor Louismet presented him a bear plaque and shared appreciation for his service.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Nothing scheduled.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing scheduled.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. 8th Street Parking Restrictions

Public Works Director/City Engineer Kauppi presented a proposal to designate parking restrictions on 8th Street from Bloom Avenue to Highway 61. There are currently no parking restrictions in place on these segments of 8th Street, and due to the anticipated increase in traffic from Highway 61 to the unified high school, there will be parking restrictions on the north side of 8th Street. Director Kauppi said this is the final stage of street construction for the high school reunification project. In addition to the no-parking on the north side of 8th Street, there will be a designated parking lane and sidewalk on the south side. The final configuration was developed with the help of public input.

In regards to public input, Mayor Louismet asked if there was any negative feedback. Director Kauppi said there were a number of open houses and neighborhood meetings, and he reported that the residents were satisfied with the proposal and there was no negative feedback to report. He pointed out a technical amendment to the proposed resolution made by City Attorney Anderson changing "shall ban" to "hereby prohibits". City Attorney Anderson pointed out the Council has the authority to restrict parking, so the language better reflects their rights.

It was moved by Councilmember **Engstran**, seconded by Councilmember **West**, to approve **Res**. **No. 13383**, approving designating parking restrictions on 8th Street from Bloom Avenue to Highway 61. Motion carried unanimously.

9. DISCUSSION

Nothing scheduled.

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Crawford shared about the Public Health and Safety theme night for the upcoming Marketfest. She shared about an upcoming joint town hall event held by Sen. Heather Gustafson and Rep. Brion Curran.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, it was moved by Councilmember **Engstran**, seconded by Councilmember **Hughes**, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Løuismet, Mayor

ATTEST:

Caley Longendyke, City Clerk