

WOODLAND CITY COUNCIL
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OATH OF OFFICE – Mayor Jean Stark and Councilmembers James Doak, Mark Evenstad and Michael Jilek were administered the Oath of Office.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Mayor Stark called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PRESENT: Jean Stark, Jim Doak, Mark Evenstad, Micheal Jilek

ABSENT: Steve Hornig

GUESTS: Chuck Stark, Sliv & Bill Carlson, Peter Davis, Beth Nelson, Don Nelson, Coach Jane Meads and Members of the Girls Cross Country Team and members of the Minnetonka Football Team

STAFF: Attorney Kim Kozar, Police Chief Virgil Gustafson, City Treasurer Grace Norris and City Clerk Sandy Langley

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION REGARDING LAWSUIT

Attorney Kim Kozar stated according to State Statue 13D.05 Subd. 3 (b) the Council will go into closed executive session to discuss the Newell vs. Woodland litigation. Regular Council was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Mayor Stark reconvened the Regular Council meeting at 7:05 PM.

RECOGNITION OF MINNETONKA HIGH SCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONS

Mayor Stark presented a Proclamation to Minnetonka High School Coach Jane Meads and students that attended the meeting celebrating a Championship season for the Minnetonka Skipper's Football Team and Girl's Cross Country Team.

MINUTES of December 13, 2004

Motion by Councilmember Doak, seconded by Mayor Stark to approve the minutes of December 13, 2004 as submitted. Motion carried 2-0-2. Councilmembers Evenstad and Jilek abstained.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. Adopt Ordinance No. 9-06, Amending Section 900.06 concerning permit for alteration of Non-Conforming Structure -

Mayor Stark convened the public hearing. Councilmember Jim Doak reviewed the amendments to the Ordinance. Section 900.06 was originally adopted to provide a process for managing alterations to non-conforming structures that would support the City's master plan without requiring homeowners to seek a variance – a process requiring the showing of a “hardship.” The new, Subsection. 1 (d) in the proposed amendment serves to clarify that the permit for alteration of non-conforming structure process does not apply to “teardowns” where a new main building is constructed. In addition, the new Subsection 4 specifies that “Any main building which has been permitted to be reconstructed pursuant to Section 900.09, Subdivision 4(i), shall not be eligible for a permit under this Section for any alteration thereto until two years following the date of issuance of the certificate of occupancy with respect to the reconstructed main building.” The permit procedure, involving a public hearing before the Council and the application of specific criteria when considering the permit, remains unchanged..

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Mayor Stark opened the hearing to the public, there being no public comment the hearing was closed.

Councilmember Doak moved to adopt Ordinance No. 9-06 and waive the second reading for the Ordinance concerning zoning, amending Section 900.06 of the Woodland Code.

Councilmember Evenstad seconded. Upon roll call vote Stark, Doak, Evenstad and Jilek voted aye. Ordinance No. 9-06 was adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Adopt No. 01-05 Annual Resolution –

Councilmember Doak moved to adopt Resolution No. 1-05 as submitted. Councilmember Jilek seconded. Upon roll call vote Stark, Doak, Evenstad and Jilek voted aye. Resolution No. 1-05 was adopted.

B. Set date for annual Board of Appeals & Equalization for April 11, 2005 –

Mayor Stark stated that it was important that all Councilmembers be present to be a part of the Board of Appeals process. A new law requires that a Local Board of Appeal and Equalization cannot be held in 2006 unless at least one voting member present at the meeting has attended an appeals and equalization course developed or approved by the MN Commissioner of Revenue. Training is scheduled for February 3, 2005 and it is recommended that one or two Councilmembers attend this training. Councilmembers Evenstad and Doak stated they would attend the training.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stark reported that one of our residents, Warren Palm, passed away today. Warren, a life-long resident of Woodland, served as Mayor and in Council positions for twelve years and was a highly respected source of perspective and good council.

REPORTS

A. Public Safety & Finance – Councilmember Evenstad was assigned to this position.

Chief Gustafson reported that mail fraud fliers were distributed throughout Woodland. He also discussed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program the police are recruiting volunteers. Information will be placed in the City newsletter.

B. Roads & Signs – Councilmember Doak reported that our snow contractor is ready for any snow or ice. He also noted the new recycling company, EZ, has made its first round of pick-ups with little difficulty. The City will monitor recycling to ensure a smooth transition.

C. Web Site/Deer Management – Councilmember Jilek was assigned to this position.

D. Ordinances – Councilmember Hornig was absent and there was no report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Councilmember Doak moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Mayor Stark seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Mayor Stark moved to approve the verified accounts in the amount of \$17,252.37 dated January 10, 2005. Councilmember Jilek seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Stark asked about moving the Council meeting date in March from the 14th to the 8th due to a conflict in her schedule as well as the Clerk's. Council agreed to move the March meeting to the 8th.

Mayor Stark asked that Councilmembers, interested in attending the Leadership Conference for Newly Elected Officials or for Experienced Officials, contact staff and the City would handle the registration.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Stark adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra R. Langley, City Clerk