

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the North Mankato City Council was held in the Municipal Building Council Chambers on June 1, 2015. Mayor Dehen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. asking that everyone join in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were present for roll call: Mayor Dehen, Council Members Norland, Freyberg and Steiner, City Administrator Harrenstein, Finance Director Thorne, Attorney Kennedy, City Clerk Van Genderen, City Planner Fischer and Public Works Director Swanson. Absent from the meeting: Council Member Spears.

Approval of Agenda

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote on the motion: Freyberg, Steiner, Norland and Dehen aye; no nays. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Norland moved, seconded by Council Member Steiner to approve the minutes of the Council meeting of May 18, 2015. Vote on the motion: Freyberg, Steiner, Norland and Dehen aye; no nays. Motion carried.

Public Hearing, 7 p.m., Amend City Code, Title XI, Business Regulations, Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages

City Clerk Van Genderen stated that during the 2015 session Minnesota State Legislature passed legislation allowing the off-sale of growlers of malt liquor on Sundays. City Clerk Van Genderen indicated this amendment would allow the off-sale of growlers on Sundays in the City of North Mankato. With no one appearing before the Council, Mayor Dehen closed this portion of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Council Member Freyberg moved, seconded by Council Member Norland, to approve the Consent Agenda which includes:

- A. Bills and Appropriations.
- B. Res. No. 43-15 Approving Donations/Contributions/Grants.
- C. Large Group and Audio Permit for the Anthony Ford Pond Hockey Tournament on February 6 and 7, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- D. Traffic and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2015.
- E. Consider Authorizing City Administrator to enter into a Contract for Information Technology Services with Pantheon Computer Systems, Inc.
- F. Audio Permit for Business on Belgrade's Bookin' on Belgrade Nearly 5K Family Fun Run/Walk on June 6, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Vote on the motion: Freyberg, Steiner, Norland and Dehen aye; no nays. Motion carried.

Public Comments

With no one appearing before the Council, Mayor Dehen closed this portion of the meeting.

Business Items

Ordinance No. 67, Fourth Series, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XI, Business Regulations, Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages. Administrator Harrenstein indicated this was the item in the public hearing concerning the off-sale of growlers of malt liquor on Sundays. **Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland to adopt Ordinance No. 67**

Fourth Series, Amending North Mankato City Code, Title XI, Business Regulations, Chapter 111, Alcoholic Beverages. Vote on the motion: Freyberg, Steiner, Norland and Dehen aye; no nays. Motion carried.

Res. No. 44-15 Awarding Bid for Project No. 14-03CDEF Lookout Drive Reconstruction and Roundabouts. City Engineer Sarff appeared before Council to present the bids and bid tabulation for Project No. 14-03CDEF. City Engineer Sarff indicated there were two bidders, Holtmeier Construction, Inc. and OMG Midwest, Inc. City Engineer Sarff reported the bidding package included a base bid, which included the Lookout Drive roundabout and reconstruction north of Commerce Drive, bituminous overlay and traffic signal system improvements north of Commerce Drive, and improvements to the Lookout Drive bridge over Highway 14. An alternate bid was also included which consisted of street lighting improvements south of Commerce Drive. Both bids came in higher than the Engineer's estimate for both the base and the alternate bid, but Holtmeier Construction, Inc presented the lowest bid. The total project cost including engineering using the low bid for the base bid and the alternate bid is approximately \$190,000 more than the available funding from federal funds, state funds and Municipal State Aid funds. City Engineer Sarff recommended that Holtmeier Construction, Inc. be awarded the base bid in the amount of \$5,467,127.05 and that the alternate bid not be awarded. The award of the bid is contingent on MnDOT's execution of the Cooperative Construction Agreement for the project and also contingent on concurrence on the award by the MnDOT State Aid and Civil Rights offices. Council Member Steiner requested information concerning the completion of the project and the beginning of school. City Engineer Sarff indicated they would be working with the school district to ensure that school kids arrived safely to school with as little congestion as possible as they complete the project. **Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Norland to adopt Res. No. 44-15 Awarding Bid for Project No. 14-03CDEF Lookout Drive Reconstruction and Roundabouts. Vote on the motion: Freyberg, Steiner, Norland and Dehen aye; no nays. Motion carried.**

City Administrator and Staff Comments

Administrator Harrenstein reported the KTV open house was well attended and a great event. He stated if anyone was interested in visiting the station it could be arranged.

Administrator Harrenstein welcomed the 2015 Girls State Softball Tournament to Caswell Park.

Public Works Director Swanson reported they were expanding temporary parking for the Girls State Softball Tournament at Caswell Park.

Public Works Director Swanson reported demolition of the structures at 231 and 233 Wheeler Avenue was tentatively scheduled for the week of June 22, 2015.

Mayor and Council Comments

Council Member Norland indicated Community Education and Recreation has many offerings for the community and information could be found on their website.

Mayor Dehen read a thank you note from Boy Scout Troup 29 to the City of North Mankato for the \$500.00 donation from the Charitable Gambling Distribution.

Mayor Dehen read the following proclamation into record:

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) was first organized in 1916 as the State High School Athletic Association; and

WHEREAS, today the Minnesota State High School League is a voluntary, nonprofit association of public and private schools with nearly 500 members; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League promotes a program of activities for youth of the schools of the state on subsections, section and state levels in the fields of athletics, speech, music and dramatics on a competitive basis; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League establishes uniform and equitable rules for youth in inter-school activities; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League works to elevate standards of sportsmanship in all sporting activities; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League is having a year-long celebration for its 100 years of service to Minnesota youth;

NOW THEREFORE, I Mark Dehen, Mayor of the City of North Mankato hereby proclaim June 4, 2015 to be

Minnesota State High School League Day

in the City of North Mankato, and encourage all North Mankato residents to join me in supporting and celebrating the contributions of the Minnesota State High School League.

Dated this 1st day of June 2015.

Mayor Dehen read the following proclamation into record:

WHEREAS, the Mankato Loyola Girls Softball Team has played well throughout the 2015 Softball season; and

WHEREAS, the Mankato Loyola Girls Softball Team has a record of 24 wins and 3 losses and are ranked 68th in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the Mankato Loyola Girls Softball Team has won the right to play in the State Softball tournament;

NOW THEREFORE, I Mark Dehen, Mayor of the City of North Mankato hereby proclaim June 1-7, 2015 to be

Mankato Loyola Girls Softball Week

in the City of North Mankato, and encourage all North Mankato residents to join me in supporting and cheering on the Mankato Loyola Girls Softball Team.

Dated this 1st day of June 2015.

Public Comments

Phil Henry, 1300 Noretta Drive, appeared before Council and thanked the City for the work on the Belgrade Hill Ravine.

There being no further business, on a motion by Council Member Norland, seconded by Council Member Steiner, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk