MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRINCETON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON JUNE 7, 2017 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Paul Whitcomb called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present were, Thom Walker, Jack Edmonds, Jules Zimmer and Jeff Reynolds. Others present: Administrator Mark Karnowski, Finance Director Steve Jackson, Police Chief Todd Frederick, Public Works Director Bob Gerold, Clerk Shawna Jenkins, Fire Chief Ron Lawrence, and Attorney Damien Toven. Absent was Development Director Jolene Foss and Engineer Andy Brotzler.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes of May 25, 2017
B. Study Session Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2017

WALKER MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 25, 2017 AND THE STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2017 WITH A MINOR CORRECTION. EDMONDS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Permits and Licenses
   1. Temporary Intoxicating Liquor License for Chamber of Commerce Street Fair
B. Personnel
   1. Liquor Store – accept resignation of Christina Thompson effective 5-13-17
   2. Liquor Store – accept resignation of Brandi Defreitas effective 4-29-17
C. Donations/Designations

WALKER MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. ZIMMER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OPEN FORUM

Cindy Pohlcamp stated she has been involved in ministry since 2005. She is coming to the Council tonight to ask that they consider passing a resolution to get the national motto of “in God We Trust” displayed in the Princeton City Chambers. There are 4 in MN, and 600+ cities throughout the United States that have passed the resolution. The 2 Counties that have passed the resolution is Crow Wing and Beltrami County and the Cities of Anoka and Elk River. They are encouraging the national motto to be placed in city buildings and school classrooms.

Whitcomb is not opposed to it, but would like staff to do some research into it and report back to the Council. If the Council decides to go forward with this, staff will contact Pohlcamp.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

A. EDA Board Minutes of May 18, 2017

PETITIONS, REQUESTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS
ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Ord 751/Res 17-29–Rezoning portion of Princeton Crossing, 1st Add.– Final reading

Karnowski reported that there have been no changes since the introduction of Ordinance 751. This rezoning will allow the Quik Trip to be built near Shopko.

WALKER MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 17-29 APPROVING THE REZONING OF A PORTION OF THE PRINCETON CROSSING, 2ND ADDITION PLAT (PID 90-404-0215 FROM B-2 (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND ORDINANCE 751). EDMONDS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Ordinance 752 – adding a Solar Zoning Ordinance – Final reading

Karnowski stated that there have been no changes since the first reading.

REYNOLDS MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 752, AMENDING ORDINANCE #538 WITH AN ADDITION OF SOLAR ENERGY FARM AND SYSTEMS. WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Ordinance 753 – Amendment to Car Wash restrictions in B-3 – Final reading

Karnowski advised since the first reading, he spoke to Councilor Edmonds and he would like “within the public right-of-way” added to “a” and “j” under permitted uses.

Edmonds said his concern was without the right of way statement, he felt we were micromanaging private properties. He just wanted to make sure vehicles were not blocking roads.

EMONDS MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 753, AMENDING CAR WASH RESTRICTIONS IN B-3. ZIMMER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Resolution 17-28 – approving MnDOT/City/County Roundabout Agreement

Karnowski reported that the City has received the agreement for the Roundabout. It authorizes the expenditure of the state and federal funds, and specifies that Mille Lacs County will administer the funding portion of the project. This is a standard agreement. He added that he recently received an email that stated the County will be requesting a second agreement between the City, PUC and the County. There were some possible issues with the language in the current agreement, so that will be worked out and come to the council for approval at an upcoming meeting.

EDMONDS MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 17-28 ENTERING INTO MNDOT AGREEMENT 1026206 FOR THE ROUNDABOUT AT HIGHWAY 95 AND COUNTY ROAD 157 / 21ST AVE. REYNOLDS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Phosphorus Trade Project Repair Pay Estimate

Karnowski reported that the City has received an invoice from Minnesota Native Landscapes for repair work completed on Trading Sites 4 and 5. The work was completed on April 24th and 25th. Brozler made a site visit along with Bob Gerold and Bruce Henningsgaard (MPCA) on May 11th and found the work to be consistent with the planned work and quantities included on this invoice. This invoice amount is consistent with the amount presented and authorized by City Council per WSB’s memo of April 10th, 2017. Staff recommends payment in full for this invoice.

Walker moved to approve Invoice 15077 from Minnesota Native Landscapes in the amount of $14,600 for Sites 4 and 5. Zimmer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Edmonds asked if this total is the same as the original estimate. Karnowski replied that it was a bid project, so it is the same amount as what was originally brought forward to the Council when the project was awarded.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Conflict of Interest Policy

Karnowski reported that a recent meeting, the Council looked at some drafted policies that did not appear to have been passed. The Council determined that the only one they felt was needed was a conflict of interest policy. The City attorney reviewed that policy and made the requested modifications. The primary change was that the conflict applied to all city employees and not just supervisors.

Walker stated that it seems like a good idea to have a conflict of interest policy in place.

Walker moved to approve the conflict of interest policy. Zimmer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Golf Course Concert Request

Karnowski advised that the city received a request from the golf course. They are having a summer concert on June 24th with the band ‘Pandemic’ playing. They will play from 8-midnight outdoors with your approval (weather permitting, it will be moved indoors). The Council approved their band to play outdoors for their anniversary party on May 20th but due to the rain they ended up playing indoors. They are requesting approval for ‘Pandemic’ to play outdoors on June 24th until 12am.

Zimmer moved to approve the golf course’s request for an outdoor concert on June 24th, to play until midnight, with the band facing away from the residential area. Reynolds seconded the motion.
Walker said if they are thinking of doing this often, they should come up with a schedule and bring it to the Council once in the spring. Whitcomb does not want to see it done too often. Walker agreed.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MISCELLANEOUS

BILL LIST
ZIMMER MOVED TO APPROVE THE BILL LIST WHICH INCLUDES THE MANUAL CHECKS AS LISTED ON THE MANUAL BILL LIST FOR A TOTAL OF $84,659.33 AND THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE LIQUOR BILL LIST AND GENERAL CITY BILL LIST WHICH WILL BE CHECKS 75677 TO 75750 FOR A TOTAL OF $231,789.55. REYNOLDS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business:

WALKER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:20PM. ZIMMER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,  

ATTEST:

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Shawna Jenkins  
City Clerk  

Paul Whitcomb, Mayor