

**MINUTES
REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

- 1 The regular Waseca City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Roy Srp at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Roy Srp	Allan Rose
John Clemons	Cindy Coy
Larry Johnson	Mark Christiansen
Les Tlougan	

Staff present:

Crystal Prentice, City Manager
Leslee Milbrath, Secretary
Sara Heyer, Waterpark Manager

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 2 A moment of silent prayer was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 3 It was moved by Coy, seconded by Rose, to approve the agenda as presented; the motion carried 7-0.

VISITORS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- 4a **Sara Heyer, Water Park Manager – 2010 Waseca Water Park**

Ms. Heyer informed Council there are 45 days until the Water Park opens. She stated the Water Park will open on Friday June 4th and will close on Monday September 6th. She stated there were 96 operating days in 2009. She stated so far this year she already has 7 private rentals booked. She stated the hours of operation for 2010 have changed to Noon – 6:00 p.m. She stated they are anticipating swimming lesson registration to double from last year because of the High School pool being closed. Ms. Heyer stated swimming lesson registration will begin on May 3rd at City Hall and it must be done in person and paid at time of registration. She stated the cost will be \$30.00 for session. Ms. Heyer stated there will be water exercise classes available again this year as well. She stated she would be providing the recertification training necessary for the lifeguards as well. She stated most of the staff is already hired. She stated she has been active with advertising as well. She stated there are already 700 Facebook fans of the Water Park. Ms. Heyer informed Council she was also pleased to report the scholarship program that was started last year raised \$1600 and will provide 45 families with passes this summer. She thanked everyone that participated in the scholarship program. Ms. Heyer stated he will also be doing all safety training at the Water Park and explained the Employee Star Program to Council. Ms. Heyer reported on attendance for 2009 at 18,000, 2008 at 27,000 and 2007 at 29,000. She stated the numbers are down due to the weather last year. She stated the Water Park was closed 21 days out of 80 and an additional 9 days closed early or opened late.

Mayor Srp asked if there was anyone else in the audience, not on the agenda, who wished to address the City Council at this time. There were no comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5 None

ROUTINE BUSINESS

6a Resolution No. 10-12 – Granting Conditional Use Permit to Robert Lau for a Winery

City Manager Prentice explained the request for a winery from the Lau’s. She stated the winery will be located in their existing Morton Building. She stated the Planning Commission has already heard the request and recommended City Council approval.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Christiansen, to adopt Resolution No. 10-12, A RESOLUTION OF THE WASECA CITY COUNCIL GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ROBERT LAU; the motion carried 7-0.

6b Resolution No. 10-13- Re-approval of final plat – Dankert Subdivision

City Manager Prentice briefly reviewed the subdivision with Council. She stated it had been approved in 2006 & 2007 but not recorded in the 6 month time frame. City Manager Prentice explained the proposed plat would take the existing area and turn it into five parcels. She stated the area she is referring to is along 5th Ave SE and the Canadian Pacific Railway known as the Walter’s Cookbook area. City Manager Prentice stated the Planning Commission considered the plat approval and vote to recommend City Council approval.

It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Coy, to adopt Resolution No. 10-13, A RESOLUTION OF THE WASECA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING RE-APPROVAL OF THE DANKERT SUBDIVISION PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLATS; the motion carried 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7a Approval of Mid-year budget recommendations

City Manager Prentice stated that on April 1, 2010 Governor Pawlenty signed a supplemental budget bill into law that cuts \$312 million in state spending., which translated to a reduction of Local Government Aid to Waseca in the amount of \$211,953. Ms. Prentice presented the follow recommended reductions:

	Recommended Reduction
Recreation Funding to Waseca Community	
Education	\$13,202
MVAC Transportation	6,371
Personnel Savings	
2010 Budgeted 1.5% COLA	53,493
City Manager’s Budgeted Step Increase	2,699
Changes to Health Insurance	62,412
Voluntary Vacation Purchase (est.)	25,104
Consultation Savings over hiring CDD	33,049
Conferences/Training	9,200

Eliminate Safety Training Contract	3,850
Community Enhancements	
Waseca Senior Citizen Center	6,200
Waseca Chamber of Commerce (Lakefest)	496
Waseca Chamber of Commerce (Fireworks)	496
Waseca Co. Historical Society	1,984
Waseca Arts Council	1,116
Downtown District Partnership	186
Neighborhood Svc Center	1,240
Sleigh & Cutter Festival	186
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Mayor Srp thanked the viewing public for understanding the reductions as it may affect everyone in some way. He also stated if you see a City Employee you should thank them as well, as everyone is in this together.

It was moved by Clemons, seconded by Johnson to accept the 2010 recommended budget cuts as presented; motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

8a Sale of Auction Items

City Manager Prentice informed Council and the viewing public the City participates in a consignment auction with the County and School District. She stated the items for auction are an accumulation of excess property or confiscated property picked up by the Police, which have passed the required period of time for the Police Department to retain them for the owners to make a claim. Mayor Srp read the list of Auction items. City Manager Prentice stated the auction would be held May 22nd at the Fairgrounds.

It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Christiansen to approve the list of auction items; motion carried 7-0.

8b Temporary On Sale 3.2 Malt Liquor – American Legion Post 228 for Waseca County Fair

Council Member Clemons thanked Mary Buenzow for the work that she does on all the liquor licensing issues as it is always presented in a very well laid out way for Council and he knows that it can be complicated.

It was moved by Clemons, seconded by Rose to approve a Temporary On Sale 3.2 Malt Liquor License to American Legion Post 228 for Waseca County Fair, July 14-18, 2010; motion carried 6-0-1 (Johnson abstained because he thought it was a conflict of interest).

CONSENT AGENDA

9 It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Coy, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; the motion carried 7-0 and included the following actions:

- a. Minutes – Regular City Council meeting –April 6, 2010 – were accepted and placed on file.

- b. Minutes –Board of Review meeting –April 12, 2010 – were accepted and placed on file.
- c. Payroll & expenditures –April 2010- were authorized for payment.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

- 10 The City Manager provided the following report:

Motorized vehicles/golf carts – City Manager Prentice provided Council with a sheet showing what is and is not permitted regarding golf carts, ATV’s, Scooters, etc. Council Member Clemons stated he would still like to see further discussion and information regarding the issue. He asked if it could be discussed further at a work session and if Chief Hiller could be present for the discussion.

City Manager Prentice informed Council and the viewing public that the full time police officer poison has been filled by part time officer Kari Kalow.

City Manager Prentice stated she has been meeting with Community Education Director Audra Nissen Boyer regarding cuts and they would like to meet with Council at the next work session for input.

City Manager Prentice also stated the EDA Collaboration agreement will be coming back to Council at a work session.

City Manager Prentice stated she felt all three subjects could be discussed at the same work session.

COMMISSION REPORTS

- 11 The City Councilmembers provided reports on the following board/commission activities:

- Library Board – Tlougan
- Planning Commission – Tlougan
- EDA – Clemons
- Human Rights Commission – Mayor Srp

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 12 The following miscellaneous announcements were made:

- Mayor Srp informed the Council and the viewing public there was a fundraiser for Neil Knauss on Sunday. He stated Neil was a City Employee for years. He told the public if they see Neil to wish him well and to say a prayer for him and his family.

ADJOURNMENT

- 13 There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Coy, seconded by Tlougan, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.; the motion carried 7-0.

R. D. SRP
MAYOR

LESLEE MILBRATH
SECRETARY