

City of Mapleton
Regular Meeting Minutes
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Tuesday July 6, 2011 – 6:00pm

Present: Anderson, Dietz, Hillman, Kartes, & Dietz (arrived later)

Absent: Dell

Also present: B Oye, M Housh, J Shockley, D Saari, J Warner, G. Lowe, & M Hirschberger.

Motion Hillman **agenda approval**, 2nd Kartes.

Motion Hillman , **consent agenda approval**, including: Regular minutes June 7, 2011, Bills paid June 2011 & bills to be paid July 2011: Ameripride \$45.83; Asplin \$513.12; B McMormott \$300.00; BCBS \$1011.40; Cass C Gov. \$1477.08; Cass C Reporter \$204.93; CRW \$5472.26; City of Fargo \$14.00; CRA Payment \$59.20; D Klatt \$70.00; Doug's \$52.92; Fargo H2O \$6723.80; Farm Plan \$103.08; Gordy's \$118.50; Hawkins \$442.49; Jean Madsen \$72.08; Lake Agassiz \$250.00; Menards \$15.84; Metro Disposal \$3502.50; Midcontinent \$237.22; ND League of Cities \$763.00; Network Center \$73.20; Ohnstad Twichell \$723.60.50; Otter Tail \$1278.02 & 255.69; Petro \$518.95; Sanford Drug Occ. \$65.00; Team \$900.00; Xcel \$108.45. June financials (prior to accountant review), 2nd Kartes. **RCV/MC**

Fire Department: Jon W. – good turnout for party in the park. Street Dance scheduled for August 27

Park District: Jon W. – T-ball wrapping up.

P & Z:

There is a potential buyer for an Industrial Park lot - for construction of steel buildings then re-let spaces available. Potential buyers understand that gravel road will remain until traffic increases then paving improvements will be special assessed.

MPB homeowner interested in having a hobby bee hive due to losses of bees all over country. Homeowner will check with neighbors for their input. P & Z did not see anything against city ordinances, however if a problem would occur it may be required to be removed.

Cross Property septic system within city limits (not connected to city sewer) will have to be removed, and hooked up to city sanitary sewer.

Building Code Ammendments – Geoff – 2 concerns – 1 voting on something that has not been read, 2 opens the door to allow government to control sale of property because of, or certain stipulations.

City Engineer:

Brandon- Meridian Grove & Bishops Addtn. Drainage: Public meeting held for residents to voice wishes. Many options reviewed, including drain tile. Meeting with Knutson (major land owner) set up for Saturday for his opinion. Mark A. voiced concern with in adequate city equipment for upkeep. Special meeting could be set.

FEMA levee recertification – no response.

Cass County Hwy 11 project – Brandon has punch list and will compose proposed deductions to county for cracks in roadway, replacement, or different type of repair. Not yet sent to city. Ditching has been worked on – need final walk through with city for final acceptability.

Ashmoor 2nd Addn. -approx cost \$390,000. Assessing to lots -plans taken over by Moore Engineering. Brandon stated there would not be a conflict of interest as the city engineer & Norpac's engineer. A committee consisting of P & Z member Jay Dietz, Council Member Larry Dell, PW Duane Klatt, & auditor Mary Hirschberger were appointed to review details of development plans. Hillman stated P & Z has already gone to great lengths to approve what the city wants. *Motion* Hillman, approval of engineer report, authorize engineer to prepare plans & specs, & directing auditor to advertise for bids, 2nd Kartes. **RCV/MC**

Police Report:

Haaland - Sonja Timm contesting \$15.00 parking ticket (310 Maple Dr) stating signs unclear and ticketing inconsistent. Deputy Haaland will take under advisement & make determination after viewing the street signs. Auditor stated deputies not always available to ticket in Mapleton as they are responding to emergency & other calls for service.

Dietz questioned if John Lowe temporary road removal could be listed on some kind – City Attorney Second Reading Building Codes motion Kartes to decline, no second. C Dietz motion to accept updates consistent with the rest of the area, no second. G Lowe & Hillman stating concern with government intrusion. M Housh referenced state and international codes with time & effort put into acceptable revisions. Also stating changes could be made if council desired. Motion Hillman to accept all except energy conservation chapters 1 &2, no second. Tabled.

City Accountant: Harold - City doing good job at inching ahead for more stability.

Motion Hillman, “no overnight parking” sign to be constructed on the south side of 3rd St, second Kartes. **RCV/MC** Northern Improvement – 6th Ave repair. Letter sent with check (5% withheld) as not finished, no one has returned. Pie shape piece on north side left out (dip) city saw as part of project. Jerry V stated Scott said finishing the sides of the road were not part of the project. Jerry did it and submitted a bill to the city

Motion Kartes, pay Jerry Volk \$680.00 for finishing sides(edges) & removal of asphalt from alley behind city shop & C center, second Dietz, **RCV/MC**

Duane has received gravel road blading quotes ranging from \$110.-\$125. per hour.

Northland Sweepers lowest bid for sweeping.. *Motion* Kartes, hire Northland, second Hillman. **RCV/MC**

Saari reported still issues with old water tower valve.

Titus Larson’s road – county not yet responding to letter sent. Have received some bids and one to be redone, as bidder had project in Casselton therefore can decrease mobilization costs..

BCBS premium increasing in August \$18.30 each for single insurance. Employee reviews coming up in July.

Advertising for PT position to go in CC Reporter, on website, & posted at city hall.

Motion Kartes, PW to acquire fencing prices for burn pile, not to exceed \$5000. (from garbage fund), second Hillman. **RCV/MC**

Kartes or city office did not receive any communications regarding apology or furnaces returned as of today.

Auditor to draft letter giving Jeff Hanson 10 business days to resolve issues, including written personal apology to Duane, City of Mapleton & Fire Department.

Mark Anderson suggested looking into foam plugs for use to flush water lines.

Jerome stated there is a stone tipped over at the cemetery and the cemetery needs attention.

Motion Hillman , adjourn, 2nd Kartes . **RCV/MC**

Mark Anderson, Mayor

Attest:
