

## **MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2016**

February 2, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were Mayor Ihrke, Dave Iseminger, Melinda Kieffer, Jaime Putzier, Matt Elder, Officer Jim Schueller, Bryan from the Rochester Post Bulletin, and the St. Charles Press representative, Craig Hilmer.

Agenda was presented for February meeting. Motion was made by Matt Elder to approve, seconded by Dave Iseminger. All agreed. Motion carried.

Meeting minutes were presented for approval. With a couple of corrections, a motion was made by Dave Iseminger to approve, seconded by Matt Elder. All agreed. Motion carried.

Bills were presented for approval. A motion was made by Matt Elder to approve, seconded by Jaime Putzier. All agreed. Motion carried.

Officer Schueller from Olmsted County stated that upon Sheriff Torgerson's request, deputies are to attend all township and city council meetings where Olmsted County provides police protection per contract. Previously the council asked the Sheriff's Department to step up traffic enforcement around the Alternative School and to provide reports back to the council on the frequency and results of patrols to the Dover area. Officer Schueller reports that traffic stops before and after school have reduced speeding. If anyone in the City has any complaints on traffic issues, please report them to the Olmsted County Sheriff's Office.

Officer Schueller exits the meeting at 7:15 P.M.

Mayor Ihrke states that the security light in the park is no longer viable. It will be replaced with a new LED light. This will be brighter and more cost effective to run.

There will be a plat request hearing scheduled for March 2016.

More keys need to be made for City Hall.

A concern was brought up that a garage on a new construction site is over 5' to the East of the lot. There is suppose to be a 7 ½' rear setback. The council will look at this lot and the site plan for more detail and come back to next months meeting with more information.

Jaime Putzier presented a graph from Rolling Hills Transit Bus showing Dover rider ship of 44. We are assuming this is for round trips. Even though we are receiving a separate report for Dover, we would still like to see Eyota's and St. Charles rider ships broken out.

Upon request from the City's insurance Agent, Jim Nigon, a council member's son, responsible for clearing the City sidewalks, will present the Council member's liability insurance policy.

John Wolter from Wolter/Ash will be here Saturday A.M. to close out the books for the year 2015.

The annual Fire Department meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Dover Fire Hall.

Christmas decorations need to be taken down

Report form Melinda Kieffer and Jaime Putzier who are on the Dover School Committee: they received a tour of the school. They stated that the plumbing and heating is still in good working order.

There should be updates to the restrooms. Presently the School is being leased by the Hiawatha Valley Education District and also serves the City of Dover for open gym events, as a workout center and as a space for community events.

The Education District is looking to vacate its lease at the end of this school term. They are looking at options for the use of this school in the future. The City of Dover has offered to purchase the building for \$1.00 and would like to take over the building. The City of Dover wants to be a part of the school district and does not want to see the building demolished. The present tennis court was donated by the Dover Fire Department along with the playground equipment from 2002.

The school district would like a current map of the property and is getting a valuation of the property

Matt Elder is still working on the Ball Park Sign.

Letters need to be sent to the residents of 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. regarding their fences, sheds and retaining wall.

Garage sale was discussed for the spring of 2016. Jaime and Melinda, who are on the Park and Recreation committee, will write up the ad and present it at the March meeting.

Seasonal Employee posting will be discussed at the March meeting.

A letter will be sent to a Dover resident regarding parked vehicles on the City Boulevards and the Snow Plowing ordinance. Another letter will be sent regarding the same issue along with a public nuisance violation.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dave Iseminger, seconded by Matt Elder. All agreed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Karen Henry

Clerk of Dover