

## **MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 2014**

September 4, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Present were Mayor Ihrke, Jaime Putzier, Aaron Nicklay, Doug Peterson, Marvin Ihrke, Cole Flury, Ms. Merchlewitz, Travis Schmidt, Roberta Reiger, Representative from the St. Charles Press, Brian from the Rochester Post Bulletin. Not present was Matt Elder.

Agenda was presented for approval. Motion was made by Aaron Nicklay to approve, seconded by Jaime Putzier. All agreed. Motion carried.

Meeting minutes from August 2014 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Doug Peterson to approve, seconded by Aaron Nicklay. All agreed. Motion carried.

Bills presented for approval. Motion was made by Doug Peterson to approve, seconded by Aaron Nicklay. All agreed. Motion carried.

Cole Flury is complaining about the noise from the reefer semi-trailer that is parked next to his residence at N. Dover St and East Center. It is parked near his bedroom at his home and it makes too much noise when he is trying to sleep. The Mayor stated that he will talk to the owner of the property in which the trailer is parked on and see if this trailer could be parked somewhere else other than next to a residential neighborhood.

Travis Schmidt and Roberta Reiger are here to talk about the 2 Rat Terriers that the City Council declared Dangerous. The one dog, named Lily has been deaf since birth, she escapes and runs off. Roxy, the other dog will run and get Lily and bring her back. Lily is basically handicapped. Roxy did have proof of shots. Mr.

Schmidt stated that Roxy is not a biter. Lily has been out of control for the last 3 years. They did put Lily down and they gave proof of that to the council. Their family has suffered greatly from this. He did state that they will not put Roxy down because she does not bite and is not aggressive. They also have a pit bull and have built a kennel out the back door. Doug Peterson stated to them that if they were that concerned with their dogs welfare, they should have attended the last council meeting. The City did send them a certified letter requesting their presence to discuss the two reported incidences involving their two terriers. Mr. Schmidt and Ms. Reiger exited the meeting. No action was taken by the council at this time pending any response regarding the compliance letter sent to the dog owners.

Nels Pearson, who is running for the Minnesota House of Representatives is present to answer and address any concerns we may have. After a brief presentation, he exits the meeting.

The property owner on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave is working on removing the structures on his boulevard. Very cooperative.

Regarding the street sign that was stolen in Henry Estates. A new and different type of sign has been ordered that should stand up better to the strong winds in that area.

Regarding the West County Road #142 project: the hearing date for the Special Assessments will be held Thursday, October 2, 2014 at the monthly council meeting at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Doug Peterson to approve this, seconded by Jaime Putzier. All agreed. Aaron Nicklay abstained from voting. Motion carried. Discussion needs to be done regarding the driveway approach request on Justin Henry's property before the October meeting.

The figure in the bid for the water main insulations of \$5,000.00 will be taken out. There is a change in the alignments of the mains. The County of Olmsted will not provide an inspector for the water mains. Marvin Ihrke will be doing these. Projected completion date for the project is November 15, 2014.

The 2015 Budget was presented for approval. After a discussion, a motion was made by Doug Peterson to increase the General Fund proposed levy by 10%, seconded by Jaime Putzier. All agreed. Aaron Nicklay abstained from voting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Aaron Nicklay to have the Truth and Taxation meeting on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 7:00 P.M., seconded by Jaime Putzier. All agreed. Motion carried.

Mayor Ihrke requests permission to address an issue regarding an abandoned trailer house in Dover with the City's Attorney, Wayne Schauble. Permission was granted by the council

There have been some complaints regarding a smell in the City water. Hydrants were flushed about two weeks ago, so that should remedy the problem.

Weeds in the streets need to be removed. Mowing of the hill by 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, owned by Geoff Griffin, need to be mowed.

The council will put out bids for snowing plowing. These will be opened at the October meeting and a decision will be made.

Doug Peterson submitted his resignation letter effective January 1, 2015. This includes his position on the Council and the duties involved with the City of Dover's building permits. Appointment for a new council member and the duties will be made at the December 2014 meeting.

Jaime Putzier stated that she is planning on doing a Pumpkin Festival October 11, 2014. They have profits from last year to use. She is asking for permission to use the new building behind the City Hall. Permission granted.

With no further business, a motion was made by Doug Peterson to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jaime Peterson. All agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Karen Henry

Clerk of Dover