

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Robby Robinson and Council Members Bill Duncan, Jay Sjoblom, Morris Mattson, Rodney Holst, LeRoy McCusker, and Merlyce Johnson. Also present were Lanell Endres, Assistant City Administrator; Dave Maroney, Community Development Director; Brenda Voshalike, Ambulance Director; and Jeffrey McCormick, Police Chief.

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| Call to Order  | Mayor Robinson called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.  |
| Pledge of Allegiance   | Mayor Robinson led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.   |
| Approval of Agenda   | A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the Agenda as submitted.   |
| Public Input   | No one came forward to speak for public input.  |
| Public Hearings:<br>Resolution 2091,<br>Vacating Part of<br>Stoughton Street | Community Development Director Maroney provided background information regarding the request to vacate part of Stoughton Street. He stated the previously scheduled public hearing in August had been recessed in order to allow time to research whether or not the property in question had already been vacated. Follow-up research indicated that Council action in 1921 vacated that part of Stoughton Street between First and Second Streets, however; the vacation was apparently never recorded with Goodhue County. Community Development Director Maroney further explained that following consultation with the City Attorney, it was decided to continue the process of reiterating and recording the vacation at this time. Mayor Robinson opened the Public Hearing. There was no one present who wished to speak regarding the street vacation. Mayor Robinson closed the Public Hearing. A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan, to adopt Resolution 2091, a resolution vacating part of Stoughton Street. All members present voted aye except Council Member McCusker abstained. The motion was declared passed. |
| Consent Agenda   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending September 12, 2014</li><li>B. Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2014, City Council Meeting</li><li>C. Administrative Fee for Extra Duty Details in the Police Department</li><li>D. Event Street Closure</li><li>E. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance 339, Changing Street Names in the City of Cannon Falls</li><li>F. Change Ambulance Bad Debt Recovery Service</li><li>G. Appoint Michael Guthrie and Interim Ambulance Director</li></ul>   |

H. Resolution 2098, Establishing Procedures Relating to Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulations Under the Internal Revenue Code

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.

Staff Reports

Community Development Director Maroney provided an update with regard to signage along Highway 52 due to the recent closing of the access points because of the new interchange. He stated that a recent meeting was held with representatives from the City of Cannon Falls, MnDOT, and Goodhue County along with Senator Matt Schmit. Discussion was held regarding an agreement that had resulted from the ombudsman process to install signage beyond the standard set of signs.

Ambulance Director Voshalike thanked the Mayor and Council for their support during her tenure as Ambulance Director.

Police Chief McCormick provided further information with regard to signage issues. He reported on a recent meeting with business community representatives. This information would be communicated to Senator Schmit and MnDOT. He also stated that street signs have been ordered and should be installed soon.

Chief McCormick issued a reminder with regard to parking restrictions along Highway 19, in light of the upcoming football season. A permitting process was underway to install lights across Highway 19 near the overflow parking area.

Assistant City Administrator Endres discussed the meeting schedule, indicating that the first City Council meeting in November would need to be rescheduled, as State law prohibits meetings held on Election Day. She also reviewed the requirement for election results to be canvassed between three and ten days following the general election. A motion was made by Council Member Johnson to reschedule the Council meeting from Tuesday, November 4, to Wednesday, November 12. The motion was seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried.

Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Duncan discussed concerns related to the Highway 52 interchange project. He requested that data be compiled related to potential loss of tax revenue and other financial impacts as a result of highway access closures. Community Development Director Maroney

reported that the final results of the interchange safety study are not expected to be released by MnDOT until at least late October or early November. Council Member Duncan recommended that potential next steps be researched, to be undertaken once the formal study results have been made available.

Council Member McCusker and other Council Members expressed concerns and frustration regarding the interchange project including the lack of signage, traffic congestion and the economic impacts on local businesses and future development.

Council Member Duncan commented with regard to MnDOT district boundaries and suggested requesting a boundary adjustment in order for the City to be located within just one district.

Council Member McCusker commented with regard to safety concerns related to the pedestrian crossing near the ball fields along Highway 19. Chief McCormick described the permitting process related to this request, adding that the end result should better serve the community. Council Member McCusker expressed appreciation for the efforts of City staff.

Council Member Sjoblom inquired regarding the issue of ramps for the sidewalks. Community Development Director Maroney stated that an explanation had been requested.

Adjournment            The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ronald S. Johnson, City Administrator