

**TO: Mayor and City Council**

**FROM: Dan Howard, Public Works Director**

**SUBJECT: Garbage Trucks in Residential Alleys**

**MEETING DATE: Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**BACKGROUND**

At the April 21, 2015 Cannon Falls City Council meeting, a motion was passed to prohibit garbage trucks in alleys. There is presently no resolution or ordinance in place to enforce this motion.

**REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

I respectfully request Mayor and City Council to adopt the resolution prohibiting garbage or refuse collection trucks in R1, R2, R3 and R4 zoned alleys.

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 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, Kathy Gallups, and Merlyce Johnson. Also present were Ron Johnson, City Administrator; Lanell Endres, Assistant City Administrator; Tom Bergeson, Public Works Director; and Josh Colvard, Police Officer.

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 presented.

Public Input Ross Nelson from Welch Mill Canoeing and Tubing requested to continue using Riverside Park as a river access location. He stated he would like to discuss issues related to the Riverside Park access area with City Administrator Johnson and requested that any issues or concerns with regard to his operation be brought to his attention.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the request for Welch Mill Canoeing and Tubing to use Riverside Park as the access point for the river.

Proclamation Declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month Mayor Robinson read a proclamation declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Laura McDonough and Susan Draves from the HOPE Coalition discussed the impacts of sexual violence on the community and described the work performed by sexual assault advocates. Information was provided with regard to the crisis line.

2014 Audit Presentation Kevin Knopik, from Abdo, Eick & Meyers, presented the results of the 2014 financial audit and management letter. An unmodified opinion was issued for the City's audit, with no issues noted. He stated there were no compliance issues and that adequate fund balances were maintained. He also stated revenue and expenditures in relation to budgeted amounts were reviewed, with both revenue and expenses coming in slightly over budget. Audit trends and comparisons with other small cities were discussed as well as capital improvement project funds, enterprise funds, capital assets and accounting standard changes.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the Management Letter and Annual Financial Report.

Consent Agenda

- A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending April 17, 2015
- B. Meeting Minutes for April 7, 2015, City Council Meeting
- C. ~~Prohibiting of Garbage Trucks in Alleys~~ Pulled by Council Member Sjoblom
- D. Spring Garden Road Closure/Private Drive
- E. Approve Transportation Alliance Fly-In
- F. Resolution 2124, Approve Variance for Interstate Building Supply and Design

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

Prohibiting of  
Garbage Trucks in  
Alleys

Mayor Robinson provided background information and rationale for prohibiting garbage trucks in alleys, as recommended by the Public Works Commission, in order to prevent damage to alley surfaces. Council Member Sjoblom inquired with regard to allowing roll-off dumpsters for construction and demolition projects. Public Works Director Bergeson clarified that the restrictions pertain to residential alleys only. He stated that occasional use of roll-off dumpsters should not present a problem. Council Member Mattson inquired with regard to certain alleys. Director Bergeson commented that it would be difficult to make exceptions for certain alleys and not others. The use of satellite trucks was discussed. Residents would be responsible for garbage receptacle placement for curbside pick-up.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan, to prohibit garbage trucks in alleys. All members present voted aye, except Council Member Sjoblom abstained. The motion was declared passed.

Street Lighting  
Update

City Administrator Johnson discussed lighting improvements at the southern end of the City, on each side of Highway 52. He stated that discussions have been held with Goodhue County Co-op Electric and Xcel Energy. Proposed lighting improvements were reviewed, at a cost of approximately \$10,000. Council Member Duncan inquired with regard to funding of the lighting improvements. Administrator Johnson reviewed funding options.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the proposed street lighting improvements.

Staff Reports

Public Works Director Bergeson provided information that hot-mix plants would not be open for another couple of weeks and that potholes would be repaired as soon as feasible.

City Administrator Johnson reported that the Planning Commission was moving forward with the rezoning process for the former medical center property.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

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Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ronald S. Johnson, City Administrator

## § 115.04 HAULER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

(A) Hauler licenses shall be granted only upon the condition that the licensee have water-tight, packer-type vehicles in good condition to prevent loss in transit of liquid or solid cargo, that the vehicle be kept clean and as free from offensive odors as possible and not allowed to stand in any street longer than reasonably necessary to collect garbage or refuse, and that the same be dumped or unloaded only at the designated sanitary landfill, and strictly in accordance with regulations relating thereto.

(B) Before a garbage and refuse hauler's license shall be issued, the applicant shall file with the city evidence that he or she has provided public liability insurance on all vehicles in at least the sum of \$200,000 for the injury of one person, \$200,000 for the injury of two or more persons in the same accident and \$200,000 for property damages.

(C) The Council, in the interest of maintaining healthful and sanitary conditions in the city, hereby reserves the right to specify and assign certain areas to all licensees, and to limit the number of licenses issued.

(D) The Council may, by resolution, determine the streets and hours which may, or may not, be used by licensees for refuse collection. The licensees shall be so notified in writing by the City Administrator.

(Prior Code, § 6.27, Subd. 4) (Ord. 26, effective 12-10-1982)

**CITY OF CANNON FALLS  
GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2649**

**RESOLUTION PROHIBITING GARBAGE AND REFUSE HAULERS FROM  
RESIDENTIAL ALLEYS IN ZONES R1, R2, R3 AND R4**

**WHEREAS**, at the April 21, 2015 City Council meeting, a motion was made and passed prohibiting garbage and refuse haulers from using residential alleys; and

**WHEREAS**, garbage and refuse haulers continue to drive on residential alleys; and

**WHEREAS**, ordinance 115.04.D specifies that Council may, by resolution, determine streets that may be used by licensees for refuse collection.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Cannon Falls prohibits garbage and refuse haulers from residential alleys in zones R1, R2, R3 and R4.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that these changes will be effective upon renewal of licenses January 1, 2023.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of Cannon Falls this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

**CITY OF CANNON FALLS**

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John O. Althoff, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Neil L. Jensen, City Administrator