

**MINUTES
TONKA BAY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 10, 2012**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Tonka Bay City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mayor LaBelle, Councilmembers Marceau, De La Vega, and Holscher. Councilmember Anderson was absent. Also present were City Administrator Kohlmann, and City Attorney Penberthy.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

De La Vega moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Holscher seconded the motion. Ayes 4. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Marceau moved to approve the consent agenda as presented approving the regular meeting minutes of December 13, 2011; Resolution 12-01, Official City Appointments as amended; Resolution 12-02, Water and Sewer Connection Charges; and Resolution 12-03, Fund Transfer from Sewer Operating Fund to Water/Sewer Reserve Fund. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 4. Motion carried.

5. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

6. SPECIAL BUSINESS

None

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Establish Local Board of Appeal Meeting Date – Kohlmann stated Hennepin County has proposed Wednesday, April 11, 2012 as the date for the Board of Appeals meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. Holscher moved to set the Board of Appeals meeting for Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Marceau seconded the motion.

Ayes 4. Motion carried.

B. Discuss Proposals for Engineering and Planning Services – Kohlmann stated we have received five proposals for engineering and planning services. He suggested interviews be set for those who have submitted. Staff is recommending LaBelle and Marceau be on the interview panel along with the City Administrator, the City Attorney, and Public Works Superintendent. De La Vega asked when the current contract expires. Kohlmann stated there isn't a set contract expiration date, but they are appointed annually. Holscher supported the interview process. Council and staff discussed the proposal from the City of Shorewood and how it came to be an option. Marceau suggested the committee meet first to determine who will be interviewed. LaBelle stated he would like to schedule everything in one chunk of time. He recommended the interviews be limited to one half hour each. Staff was directed to set interviews with all five proposers during the day on Wednesday, January 18. Penberthy suggested the Council provide staff with possible interview questions.

C. CIP Projects – Entrance Monuments and Basketball Court – Kohlmann stated the main component of this item is the entrance monuments. Once a location, design, and pricing is identified and taken to the Park Committee, we would have to go back and do the entire process if the Council did not agree with the Committee's recommendation. LaBelle suggested staff look into architectural firms that specialize in entrance monuments. Kohlmann stated there are firms that specialize in monuments. Marceau suggested another committee be created for this project. He offered to be on the committee. De La Vega stated the Park Committee had discussed this at one point in their meetings and did some preliminary work on signage varieties. He stated there is money set aside but he didn't believe it was enough for the entire project. De La Vega said it should be determined if this would be expanded to include all signage throughout the city, such as in front of city hall. LaBelle discussed the need for name recognition. De La Vega supported a subcommittee of the City Council to begin the process. He offered to be on the subcommittee. Kohlmann suggested a design be created by early fall. De La Vega noted Anderson indicated interest to be on the subcommittee. De La Vega stated the next step with the basketball court is to determine colors and design. LaBelle stated the design is set already. Marceau suggested nautical colors be chosen. Holscher stated sometimes composite material can be carried completely through, and her concern was whether the color would wear out. De La Vega noted portions could be replaced. **Marceau moved to select "Minnetonka Blue" as the color for the basketball court. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 4. Motion carried.**

10. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

A. Ben Gozola, Robbinsdale stated he was scheduled to be an expert witness at a trial the date of the interviews. He stated if they are not chosen, he wanted

to thank the City Council for the last six years.

11. REPORTS

A. Administrator – Kohlmann stated a website update was available for 2011. LaBelle encouraged those watching that there is a lot of information available via the e-mail subscription service.

B. Marceau – Finance, Marinas, Municipal Docks – Marceau discussed Arctic Fever events which will be held on Saturday, January 14. All Tonka Bay events are either cancelled or moved to Freeman Park.

C. Holscher – Buildings, Building Inspections, Fire Lanes – no report

D. De La Vega – EFD, Parks, Sanitation, LMCD – De La Vega stated the EFD put out a fire at 165 Lakeview Avenue without incident to fire fighters. Holscher stated the fire department should be commended for a job well done.

E. Anderson - Animal Control, LMCC, Technology, Southshore Center - absent

F. Attorney's Report – Penberthy thanked the City Council for his appointment.

G. LaBelle - Public Works and SLMPD – no report

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Marceau to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. De La Vega seconded the motion. Ayes 4. Motion carried.

Attest:

Clerk