

**APPROVED MINUTES
TONKA BAY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 15, 2018**

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 De La Vega, Councilmembers Anderson, Ansari, LaBelle, and Jennings. Also present were City Administrator Tingley, Public Works Superintendent Bowman, City Engineer Preisler, Assistant City Planner Ramler-Olson and City Attorney Anderson (sitting in for Biggerstaff).

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Anderson moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Ansari seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Anderson moved to approve the following consent agenda items:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 24, 2018**
- B. Work Session Meeting Minutes of July 24, 2018**
- C. Resolution 18-23 – 200 Birch Bluff Road Conditional Use Permit – Impervious Surface Coverage**

Ansari seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

5. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

Mike Danielson, 45 Willow Woods Drive, presented a petition to remove the weight restriction on Woodpecker Ridge Road to Willow Woods Drive.

6. SPECIAL BUSINESS

- A. 2019 EFD Budget**

Chief Scott Gerber provided an overview of the 2019 Excelsior Fire District (EFD) Budget.

De La Vega complimented the hard work and transparency of the EFD board meetings and budget.

Jennings commented that he enjoyed sitting on the board.

Anderson moved to approve Resolution 18-24 approving funding amount for the 2019 EFD budget and capital improvement plan and debt service. Jennings seconded the motion. Ayes – Anderson, Ansari, Jennings, LaBelle and De La Vega. Motion carried.

B. 2019 SLMPD Budget

Tingley summarized the 2019 South Lake Minnetonka Police Department (SLMPD) proposed budget and debt service.

De La Vega discussed the excess reserves and how these monies were applied to the budget.

Anderson moved to approve Resolution 18-25 approving funding amount for the 2019 SLMPD budget and debt service. Jennings seconded the motion. Ayes - Anderson, Ansari, Jennings, LaBelle and De La Vega. Motion carried.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. 245 Lakeview – Conditional Use Permit and Variance Requests

Tingley recapped the conditional use permit (CUP) and variance requests from the residents at 245 Lakeview Avenue.

Ramler-Olson reviewed the CUP and variance requests for 245 Lakeview Avenue.

The Council and Preisler discussed storm water drainage at 245 Lakeview Avenue.

De La Vega questioned the elevation of the house. Preisler explained the rationale for the house elevation.

LaBelle and Anderson stated that they are in support of this.

Anderson moved to approve Resolution 18-26 approving a CUP for floor area ration proposed at 44.14%, Resolution 18-27 approving a CUP for impervious coverage proposed at 45.4% and Resolution 18-28 approving variances from the minimum lot size, minimum lot width and minimum side yard setbacks to allow for the construction of a new single-family home on the property located at 245 Lakeview Avenue. LaBelle seconded the motion. Ayes - Anderson, Ansari, Jennings, LaBelle and De La Vega. Motion carried.

B. Birch Bluff Road/Pleasant Avenue Speed and Traffic Concerns

Tingley summarized the history and progress of the Birch Bluff Road/ Pleasant Avenue speed bump and traffic concerns. Additionally, he visited and reported on other cities that have installed speed bumps.

De La Vega inquired if the uninstalled speed bumps can be returned. Tingley replied yes.

Tingley and Preisler described the difference between speed humps and speed bumps.

The Council and Tingley discussed the various cities with speed bumps.

De La Vega stated he was concerned that speed bumps hindered safety vehicles more than speed humps. Preisler replied that it is dependent on how closely the speed bumps are placed; the closer together, the slower the vehicle must travel.

Preisler noted the pros and cons of speed bumps.

De La Vega, Jennings, Anderson and Preisler discussed the correlation between speed bump placement and vehicle rate of speed.

Jennings and Preisler discussed the characteristics of speed humps.

De La Vega described his experience of traveling over the Minnetonka Beach speed bumps and directed staff to reach out to Minnetonka Beach for more information. Tingley stated he previously reached out and detailed his conversation.

Jennings and Tingley discussed the number of speed bumps, distance between them and cost.

De La Vega remarked he would like an opportunity to test the various speed bumps. Jennings agreed.

Tingley asked the Council what they would like to happen upon the installation of the speed bumps; to reduce speed to the posted 20 mph or a lower speed. Jennings stated that his opinion was to reduce speed to the posted 20 mph. De La Vega commented that to reach that result, the distance between speed bumps probably would have to be decreased.

Andrea Anderson, 20 Pleasant Lane West, recommended placement options for the speed bumps

Mike Shields, 35 Pleasant Lane East, commented that the 600-foot distance between the speed bumps was too far.

Tingley suggested that Council drive over the speed bumps in Minnetonka Beach and Orono to determine if a similar speed bump could be applicable in Tonka Bay.

Ansari, Anderson and Tingley discussed possible speed bump configurations.

De La Vega directed staff to return the purchased speed bumps, obtain additional samples and to continue evaluating placement.

C. Financing Water Treatment Plant/Water Treatment Improvements
Tingley discussed the various proposals for financing the water treatment plant.

De La Vega recommended David Drown Associates, Inc. and stated his reasons.

Anderson moved to approve David Drown Associates, Inc. as Tonka Bay's Municipal Advisor. Jennings seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

D. Financial Management Policy
Tingley discussed the changes to the financial management policy per Council's recommendations.

De La Vega remarked that this was not a resolution, but a policy which may be amended by Council at any time.

Anderson moved to approve the Financial Management Policy. Ansari seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Amend Section 1130 – Nuisances
Tingley discussed the amendments and additions to Section 1130 Nuisances.

The Council, Tingley and Anderson discussed section 1130.02 Subd. 3; possibly adding language to allow for rain barrels and removing the word stagnant. De La Vega directed staff to determine a rain barrel definition.

Tingley stated that the second reading of Section 1130 Nuisances will be held at the August 28 City Council meeting.

B. Pleasant Avenue Welcome Sign

Tingley described the options for a Welcome Sign on Pleasant Avenue.

The City Council discussed the options and possible other designs.

Ansari indicated she could contact the company which created the current Tonka Bay logo.

De La Vega tabled this discussion until the August 28 City Council meeting.

10. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

11. REPORTS

A. Administrator's Report – Tingley complimented staff and the Election Judges on the Primary Election.

Tingley observed that the zoning ordinance specifies that a 4/5 vote is necessary for variances and CUPs to pass; whereas, Minnesota State Statute specifies a majority. Anderson explained the statute in greater detail. Tingley and Anderson recommended amending the ordinance to follow the MN State Statute. The ordinance with suggested amendments will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

Tingley updated the Council regarding resident complaints of the Lake Minnetonka LRT Trail crossing on Manitou Road. De La Vega explained the history of the project and the issue it has become. De La Vega directed staff to contact Three Rivers Park District and reexamine the trail cross study. De La Vega noted that Shorewood should also be contacted regarding this matter.

Tingley stated that he will discuss the Visually Impairing Ordinance once Biggerstaff returns.

Tingley noted that the fee schedule will be amended to add 'per unit' to the water and sewer connections. This addition will help elevate any future concerns or questions as to how apply these fees.

B. Jeff Anderson – Finance, Fire Lanes and Public Access, Technology – No

report.

C. Elli Ansari – Parks and Playgrounds, LMCD, Sanitation and Recycling – No report.

D. Adam Jennings – EFD, Commercial Marinas, Municipal Docks – No report.

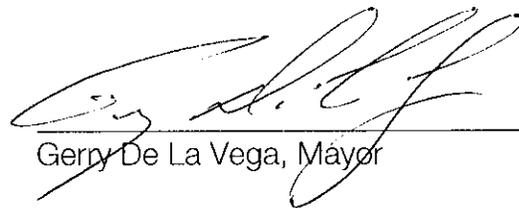
E. Bill LaBelle – Building Inspection, Municipal Buildings and Grounds – No report.

F. Attorney's Report – No report.

G. Gerry De La Vega –SLMPD, Administration, Public Works – De La Vega discussed thefts at the municipal marina. He directed staff to continue researching gate locks and to bring back to Council soon.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. LaBelle seconded the motion. Ayes 5. Motion carried.



Gerry De La Vega, Mayor

Attest:



John Tingley, City Administrator/City Clerk