

**TAYLORS FALLS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

The Agenda for this Meeting was posted Wednesday September 5, 2018 at City Hall, the Post Office and on the City's Web Site. Copies were e-mailed to residents requesting such, and the Press was notified.

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mike Buchite.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All those present at the meeting recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Buchite, Ross Rivard, Larry Julik-Heine, John Tangen

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Jo Murphy

OTHERS PRESENT: Adam Berklund – Coordinator/Zoning Administrator, Denise Martin – Chisago County Press

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION BY JULIK-HEINE/RIVARD TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, FOR THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 TAYLORS FALLS CITY COUNCIL MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BY JULIK-HEINE/TANGEN TO APPROVE/ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: STAFF REPORTS; COMMISSION/BOARD OR COMMITTEE MINUTES/REPORTS; CONSIDER DEER HERD MANAGEMENT HUNT; CONSIDER SETTING DATE FOR TRUTH IN TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING; CONSIDER REQUEST TO ATTEND FALL MAINTENANCE EXPO; CONSIDER VACATION REQUEST FOR COORDINATOR ZONING ADMINISTRATOR; CONSIDER REQUEST TO SELL MAPLE SYRUP IN THE MARMON PARKING LOT; CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CLAIMS & PAYROLL; AND CORRESPONDENCE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC FORUM

NONE

STAFF REQUESTS

NONE

COMMISSION, BOARD OR COMMITTEE MINUTES/REPORTS

THE CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTED BY CONSENT AGENDA THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE TAYLORS FALLS LIBRARY BOARD HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 18-09-01 APPROVAL OF PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET AND 2018 PROPOSED LEVY PAYABLE IN 2019

The Taylors Falls City Council met on six occasions in August and September to discuss the 2019 budget. They were able to increase in areas such as Street Improvements, Fire Department, Special Projects, and Capital

Equipment funds while still lowering the City's tax rate. Mayor Buchite explained that the City Tax Rate was lowered by 1.2%. The total Levy for the 2019 budget will be \$678,308.66 and is broken down as follows:

General Fund	\$354,008.66
Library	12,300.00
Economic Development	1,800.00
Community Center	8,000.00
Fire Pension	5,000.00
Park Improvements	12,200.00
Heritage Park Improvements	10,000.00
Special Projects	20,000.00
Capital Improvements	50,000.00
City Building Debt Service	55,000.00
Public Works Bldg Debt Service	5,000.00
New Well Debt Service	15,000.00
Street Improvements	70,000.00
Property Tax Abatement	60,000.00
Total Levy	\$678,308.66

Mayor Buchite explained that the goal is to fund all departments properly looking forward so there is no need to borrow ahead or bond for specific projects.

MOTION BY TANGEN/JULIK-HEINE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 18-09-01 APPROVING THE PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET AND 2018 PROPOSED LEVY PAYABLE IN 2019. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSIDER PUBLISHING FOR PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE WORKER

At the last City Council meeting Council accepted the retirement of Public Works Maintenance Worker Bill Neska. With Bill retiring on October 26th we will need to post for this position. If approved the position will be posted on the League Of Minnesota Cities Website until September 27th. I will also be published in the local newspapers on September 13th and 20th.

Mayor Buchite explained that Council Liaisons, along with Public Works Superintendent would review applications and the entire Council would interview 3-4 applications at a date yet to be determined.

Council was in agreement.

MOTION BY JULIK-HEINE TO APPROVE THE PUBLISHING FOR THE POSITION OF PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE WORKER WITH AN APPLICATION DEADLINE OF SEPTEMBER 27. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDER CLOSING STREET FOR BLOCK PARTY

Geri Aanonsen has requested the City to block off West Government Street from Basil to West Street. The event will be held on Saturday September 29th from 1-4 p.m. They plan to have a potluck, kids activities and live music.

Council Member Tangen discussed that the initial request was to shut down both W. Government Street and Basil Street but that it would be a safety issue for getting emergency response vehicles and other traffic through. He reminded Council that they had these block parties all the time when he was a kid.

Council was in agreement of only shutting down W. Government Street and thought it was a great idea for the City.

MOTION BY TANGEN/JULIK-HEINE TO ACCEPT THE REQUEST TO BLOCK OFF WEST GOVERNMENT STREET FROM BASIL TO WEST STREET FROM NOON TO 5:00 PM ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 29 FOR A BLOCK PARTY.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDER 2018 DEER HERD MANAGEMENT HUNT

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA TO AUTHORIZE A SPECIAL TAYLORS FALLS ARCHERY DEER HERD MANAGEMENT HUNT FROM SEPTEMBER 15 – DECEMBER 31, 2018.

CONSIDER SETTING DATE FOR TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA TO SET THE DATE FOR THE TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING AT THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DECEMBER 10TH MEETING DATE.

CONSIDER REQUEST TO ATTEND FALL MAINTENANCE EXPO

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM PUBLIC WORKS TO ATTEND THE MN MAINTENANCE EXPO IN ST. CLOUD ON OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT A COST OF \$50.00 TO BE PAID FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING AND INSTRUCTION FUND (101-43100-208).

CONSIDER VACATION REQUEST FROM CITY COORDINATOR-ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA TO APPROVE THE VACATION REQUEST FOR COORDINATOR-ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ADAM BERKLUND FOR SEPTEMBER 20 FOR A TOTAL OF 10 HOURS.

CONSIDER REQUEST TO SELL MAPLE SYRUP IN THE MARMON PARKING LOT

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH TO USE TWO PARKING STALLS IN THE MARMON PARKWAY TO SELL MAPLE SYRUP AS A YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER DURING LEAF FESTIVAL WEEKENDS.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS & PAYROLL

THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA THE PAYMENT OF CHECK NUMBERS 30334 – 30337 AND CHECKS 630227 - 630228 TOTALING \$51,939.91 FOR AUGUST EXPENDITURES.

LIAISON OR COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Larry Julik-Heine – reported that Highway 8 will be closed for a week for pipe repair/replacement. Also that the Gully Restoration project ended up hitting a water main, but nothing major and that Erosion Never Sleeps.

John Tangen – reported the HPC was notified that they received the second part of the Design Guidelines project grant totaling \$20,000 with no costs to taxpayers. He also reported that we have a new Chair in JoAnn Kuntemeier with Troy resigning.

Ross Rivard – reported there was no PC meeting this month and that the second lift is on River Street.

Mayor Buchite – wanted to thank Joe Stein, Gene Andersen and Don Lawrence for their help with the very successful fall cleanup day.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY JULIK-HEINE/TANGEN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE TAYLORS FALLS CITY COUNCIL HELD THIS JULY 9, 2018. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Michael D. Buchite, Mayor

Adam Berklund, Coordinator-Zoning Administrator

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 13, 2018