



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF STACY IN THE COUNTY OF CHISAGO
AND THE STATE OF MINNESOTA PURSUANT TO DUE
CALL AND NOTICE THEREOF**

**CONTINUED MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2016, 7:00p.m.
STACY CITY HALL**

Call to Order

The meeting was called back to order by Mayor Utecht at 7:03pm.

Roll Call

Present: Jim Ness, Mark Utecht, and, Chuck Lucia
Absent: Samantha Denney, and Tony Olivolo
Others Present: Mark Statz, and Tanner Jones

Continued Meeting

This meeting is a continuation of the January 12, 2016, Regular Council meeting. Agenda items from the original meeting may be discussed.

2016 Street Projects

Should the council do anything with the roads? Do we just do Genesis and Gable? Should 311th and 312th (East of Forest Boulevard) be done?

Member Lucia said he would like to see the water treatment plant complete prior to doing anything else; we've put up with the roads this long what difference will it make to wait for one or two years.

Member Ness expressed concern that the water bill is going up about 8%, taxes going up, and wages not going up; he questioned the affordability of the debt to the city. He is not comfortable adding additional debt.

Mr. Statz said the roads may become more of a maintenance issue.

Mayor Utecht respectfully disagrees with Members Lucia and Ness; he thinks the south end of Gable especially needs to be done.

The question was posed to Mr. Statz – what would the cost be to just do the four intersections (311th, 312th, Gable, and Genesis east of Forest Boulevard); not the entire road.

Mr. Jones said that Gable from County Road 19 to 312th is in bad shape and recommends doing that work.

To summarize, Mr. Statz will prepare an estimate for just intersection work, the council will look at Gable from County Road 19 to the Northside of 312th.

The council discussed posting weight limits on the roads, this would

help slow down the destruction of the roads.

The clerk was directed to prepare a revision to the city code:

§ 71.01 TRUCK RESTRICTIONS.

The City Council by resolution may designate streets on which travel by ~~commercial~~ vehicles in excess of 12,000 pounds ~~gross weight~~ 5 tons per axle is prohibited. The City Maintenance Officer shall erect appropriate signs on such streets. No person shall operate a ~~commercial~~ vehicle on such posted streets in violation of the restrictions stated.

**City Engineer – Lent
Township**

Lent contacted Stantec to see if they are interested in being the township engineer, what are the council's thoughts?

What are the potential conflicts of interest? The council discussed and decided that they would prefer if Lent and Stacy did not have the same engineer, however, did not object to Lent Township using Stantec.

Snow on Sidewalks

The city code states:

§ 93.02 SNOW, ICE, DIRT AND RUBBISH.

(A) Duty of owners and occupants. The owner and the occupant of any property adjacent to a public sidewalk shall use diligence to keep such walk safe for pedestrians. No such owner or occupant shall allow snow, ice, dirt or rubbish to remain on the walk longer than 12 hours after its deposit thereon.

(B) Removal by city. The City Maintenance Officer shall remove from all public sidewalks all snow, ice, dirt and rubbish as soon as possible beginning 12 hours after any such matter has been deposited thereon or after the snow has ceased to fall. He or she shall keep a record showing the cost of such removal adjacent to each separate lot and parcel and shall deliver such information to the City Clerk.

This is not how the city has been handling snow remaining on sidewalks; currently we have the building inspector issue a violation to the property owner. The code needs to be followed.

The council discussed the ordinance to address the following:

1. Interval of 12 hours appropriate
2. Warning to resident after expiration of interval
3. Maintenance Department action, how long after notice was given.

The council agreed that 24 hours is a more appropriate time period for the removal of the snow. However, determining how much snow on the sidewalk is acceptable was more difficult to agree upon.

They did agree that a property owner would receive one warning per season prior to action by the Maintenance Department.

This item will be discussed again at the February meeting. Until then the council agreed upon the following:

Starting immediately, if a property owner allows snow to remain on their sidewalk 24 hours after a snow event then Mr. Jones will issue them a warning notice stating that if by the end of that day the snow is not removed the Maintenance Department will remove the snow at the property owner's expense.

House Numbers

The council discussed house numbers, and house number signs. The city code states:

§ 150.23 DISPLAY OF NUMBERS.

It shall be the duty of the property owner of every house, industrial, commercial, or other building to have proper house or building numbers, either by affixing such number in metal, glass, plastic, or other durable material; the numbers shall be not less than 3 inches in height, in a contrasting color to the building; the numbers shall either be lighted or made of some reflective material and so placed to be easily seen from the street, or placed on the mailbox if the mailbox be on the street of the property and the house cannot be seen from the street. The numbers shall be so placed within 90 days from the date of the publication of the ordinance set forth in this subchapter. All auxiliary buildings within a unit having an assigned number, such as garages, barns, and buildings of like nature, are not affected by this subchapter.

It is ultimately the property owner's responsibility to have their house numbers displayed.

**Assistant Kitchen Manager
Job Description**

Motion by Ness to approve the Assistant Kitchen Manager job description as presented. Second by Lucia. Ness, Lucia, and Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Planning Commission
Appointment**

Motion by Ness to appoint Michelle Boeck as an alternate to the Planning Commission. Second by Lucia. Ness, Lucia, and Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

On Sale Phone Contract

Ms. Archer said she can save the Sports Grill \$220/month by changing to Midcontinent Communications from Frontier. The council approved the change.

Adjourn at 8:48pm

Mayor Utecht declared the meeting adjourned at 8:48pm.

Sharon MT Payne