

## REGULAR MEETING OF CELINA CITY COUNCIL June 23, 2008

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President Rodriguez called the Regular Meeting of Celina City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members Buxton, Jeffries, King, Larmore, Sell and Scott answered roll call. Council Member Bachelor was absent. Also present were Mayor LaRue, Safety Service Director Hazel, Planning & Community Development Director Bryan, and Assistant Law Director Nickell.

CM Sell made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by CM Jeffries. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye.

CM Sell made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 9, 2008 regular council meeting as written, seconded by CM Buxton. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

CM King stated the Personnel & Finance Committee met June 11<sup>th</sup> and they recommend giving \$3,000 to the 2008 Regatta. CM Sell asked about the Pepsi contract and Director Hazel said we no longer get coupon money but \$3,000. 2007 money was received in February or March this year. The \$21,000 is split equally between the Regatta, Lake Festival, and City.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Council expressed no objections of the change on the liquor permit for Smedley's Grill and Pub LLC.

### **AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS:**

Michelle Emerine, co-chairman of the Lake Festival asked council for a \$1,000 donation towards the fireworks. She said in 2007 they were denied their request. CM Sell asked about the CD they have. Deb Howick explained what she knew about the CD. CM Scott asked if the CD would be used to pay bills and Deb said yes, if they have to. CM King asked what the committee has raised so far. Michelle said they don't have all those figures in right now. Chief Slusser explained his opinion on having the CD and how the committee learned to have money back in case they can't raise enough. After further discussion, it was decided to send this request to the Personnel & Finance Committee.

Don Kohnen said he attended a committee meeting at the GAC plant and said it is a very nice plant. He said his grandson is one of the kids involved in skateboarding. His grandson told him that they have raised \$15,000 so far and he was under the belief the park would be put in Mercelina Park.

Lou Schiavone, representing the Regatta, gave his opinion of budgeting the Pepsi money and some other budget ideas.

### **NEW BUSINESS: (First Reading)**

23-08-O: An Ordinance appropriating \$3,000 from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund for sponsorship of the Celina Governor's Cup Regatta. CM King asked if this needs to be passed as an emergency. Director Hazel said yes, they have suspended marketing until this is passed. CM King made a motion to amend the ordinance to make it an emergency, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. A motion to suspend the rules was made by CM King, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. CM King made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. There was a short discussion on what Mr. Schiavone meant about the \$3,000 being split.

24-08-O: An Ordinance transferring appropriations in the Wastewater Collection Professional Fees to Wastewater Plant Professional Fees and appropriating funds for engineering services and declaring an emergency. CM King asked for clarification on funds. Director Hazel explained the amount and funds. He said this is transferring from one fund to another with no additional funds. CM Scott made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. A motion to pass the ordinance was made by CM King, seconded by CM Sell. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye.

25-08-O: An Ordinance to appropriate funds for professional personnel consulting services and declaring an emergency. CM King asked for an explanation and Director Hazel did so. CM Sell asked what the going rate is

with Clemans Nelson Associates. Director Hazel approximately \$130 an hour with some staff more and some less. CM Sell made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by CM Larmore. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. CM Sell made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by CM Buxton. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Director Bryan said he should be back to council soon with updated paperwork for the Pullman Bay project. He has talked with the property owners and changes have been made.

CM Sell made a motion to take 14-08-O and 15-08-O off the table, seconded by CM King. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye. A motion to withdraw 14-08-O and 15-08-O from the agenda was made by CM Sell, seconded by CM Jeffries. Roll call vote 6-0, Aye.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Chief Slusser announced that Wal Mart donated \$2,500 for three tazers. The department has completed training. He explained the first use of the tazer was this morning and he described the incident. Chief Slusser explained how the tazer works.

Mayor LaRue said that on Tuesday she had a photo opportunity with the Rotary Club giving keys to the City to a new gator and lawn mower for use on the Rotary Walkway.

Director Bryan stated he received a letter from ODOT explaining that the City will be receiving a maximum of \$700,000 for seven new traffic lights.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

CM King if anything was decided about the bat houses. Director Hazel said they were to be put in Miller Woods but he's not sure where the Eagle Scout is on this project.

CM Sell said he received a call about an odor on Havemann Road. Director Hazel said he spoke with the waste water superintendent and there are some new chemicals out that should help with the odor.

A Personnel & Finance Committee meeting was set for June 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the utility building.

CM Sell thanked the administration for having the pot holes fixed at Eastview.

A Council as a Whole Committee meeting was set for July 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the utility building.

Assistant Law Director Nickell reported that a tentative date for Law Director McKirnan's return is July 21<sup>st</sup>.

CM Jeffries said that US Route 127 is down to one lane for roadwork on the bridge and this could be a real problem. Director Bryan said at the pre-construction meeting he was told our police department would have access to control box to trip the signal light for festival traffic .

CM Scott asked what was going on by the church on Fulton Street. Director Hazel said the church is doing the work. They have cut their trees down, took out the grass area, and are putting in angle parking.

CM Scott said that when he is riding his motorcycle he is unable to trip the traffic signal lights. Director Bryan said they are working on those now to make them more sensitive.

CM Jeffries said he has noticed water pooling on Havemann Road. Director Bryan said they are looking at that now.

President Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Jackie L. Lacy, Council Clerk