

REGULAR MEETING COTTAGE GROVE CITY COUNCIL

February 2, 2005

OPEN FORUM – 7:15 p.m.

Open forum provides a person an opportunity to inform the Council of a problem or to request information related to City business not scheduled for Council action and on the Agenda.

Mayor Shiely encouraged persons to limit their remarks to two (2) minutes per issue.

Present: Mayor Sandy Shiely
Council Member Myron Bailey
Council Member Karla Bigham
Council Member Mark Grossklaus
Council Member Pat Rice

Also Present: Ryan Schroeder, City Administrator
Ron Hedberg, Finance and Administrative Services Director
Howard Blin, Community Development Director
Jennifer Levitt, City Engineer
John Mickelson, Public Safety Director
Les Burshten, Public Works Director
Corrine Thomson, City Attorney

Not Present:

No one stepped forward to speak during Open Forum.

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Cottage Grove, Washington County, Minnesota held a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 2, 2005, at the Cottage Grove City Hall, 7516 80th Street South. Mayor Sandy Shiely called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sandy Shiely
Council Member Myron Bailey
Council Member Karla Bigham
Council Member Mark Grossklaus
Council Member Pat Rice

Also Present: Ryan Schroeder, City Administrator
Ron Hedberg, Finance and Administrative Services Director
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Jennifer Levitt, City Engineer

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION BY RICE, SECONDED BY BIGHAM, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Pledge of Allegiance – Boy Scouts of America Troop 237

The Boy Scouts of America Troop 237 led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Rice explained that Troop 237 was present this evening as a part of their process in earning their Citizenship Badge. He asked the Troop for examples of how the City Council affects them personally.

Troop members responded that the City Council affects their education, funding for their schools, funding for transportation to school, street resources and taking care of the parks.

Mayor Shiely explained that the City and Council are responsible for snow plowing, fire and police protection, and property taxes, which help pay for many of the City's resources. She stated that the Council is very honored to have them present the colors this evening and invited them to stay for the remainder of the meeting.

B. Eagle Scout Award – Matthew Bailey

Mayor Shiely and the City Council presented Matthew Allen Bailey, son of Council Member Myron Bailey, with the Eagle Scout Award. Mayor Shiely stated that Matthew's achievement goes beyond his family and affects the entire community. She explained that it is her job and a pleasure to present him with a plaque commemorating his achievement in attaining his Eagle Scout award.

Matthew Bailey explained that his Eagle Scout project was centered towards his church. He stated that the main hallway of the church was in need of painting adding that as he planned out the process of his project he discovered that the main level was also in need of paint. He stated that he decided to repaint the entire main level of the church adding that now the church looks clean, bright and very welcoming.

C. Firefighter Swearing in Ceremony – Christine Bastolich; Patrick Joyce; Stephanie Dale; Vickie McGill; Ben Mair; Justin Tuman; Ted Wood; James Lane.

Mayor Shiely stated that the following Firefighters are present to be sworn in as the next group of Firefighters for the City of Cottage Grove: Christine Bastolich; Patrick Joyce;

Stephanie Dale; Vickie McGill; Ben Mair; Justin Tuman; Ted Wood; James Lane. She asked them to come forward to take the oath of office.

City Administrator Schroeder gave the oath of office to Firefighters Christine Bastolich; Patrick Joyce; Stephanie Dale; Vickie McGill; Ben Mair; Justin Tuman; Ted Wood; James Lane.

Fire Chief Byerly asked the family and friends present for the presentation of badges to come forward. Family and Friends came forward to present each of the Firefighters with their badges.

Fire Chief Byerly stated that this group together has attained a total of 300 hours of training. He thanked them for their efforts and dedication welcoming them as the newest regular members to the City of Cottage Grove's Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 15, 2004 Regular Meeting

Mayor Shiely stated that the minutes stand approved as presented.

B. January 5, 2005 Regular Meeting

Council Member Bigham had the following correction:

Page four, Unfinished and New Business, Item A, second paragraph, third sentence reads: 'He asked if a State Aid Funded Project report or timeline is available for their review.'

Should read:

"She asked if a State Aid Funded Project report or timeline is available for their review."

Mayor Shiely stated that the minutes stand approved as amended.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Bigham asked to pull Items 4H and 4I, together, for discussion and Item 4N for discussion. She referenced Items 4H and 4I stating that she would like to say Thank You to Cyndie Leary and Bob Hudnut for their time, service and support to the Community during their terms on the Human Services/Human Rights Commission and Planning Commission, respectively.

Council Member Bigham referenced Item 4N stating that she would like to thank the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for their donation of one Tint Meter to the Cottage Grove Public Safety Department, Police Division. She stated that the donation is appreciated and would be put to good use.

MOTION BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY GROSSKLAUS, TO:

- A. ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:
 - i. PLANNING COMMISSION OF NOVEMBER 22, 2004.
- B. ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-008** RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,583.17 TO ARCON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE SUMMIT AT HIGHLAND HILLS UTILITY STREET AND STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.
- C. APPROVE THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE AND FRANK FEMLING DBA/HIDEAWAY SHOOTING RANGE AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT.
- D. APPROVE THE PROPOSED CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE AND THE SOUTHEAST AREA YMCA REGARDING THE OPERATION OF THE OUTDOOR MUNICIPAL POOL.
- E. APPROVE THE PROPOSED MEDICAL DIRECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE AND REGIONS HOSPITAL AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT.
- F. ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-009** APPROVING THE ADDITION OF THE POSITION OF DISPATCH SUPERVISOR TO THE ARTICLE III OVERTIME PROVISION OF THE 2005 PAY PLAN FOR NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES.
- G. AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A SINGLE-OCCASION GAMBLING PERMIT TO HILLSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL P.T.A. TO CONDUCT RAFFLES AT HILLSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 8177 HILLSIDE TRAIL, ON MARCH 12, 2005.
- H. ACCEPT CYNDIE LEARY'S RESIGNATION FROM THE HUMAN SERVICES/HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.
- I. ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ROBERT HUDNUT FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZE THE PROCESS OF APPOINTING A NEW MEMBER TO FILL THE REMAINDER OF MR. HUDNUT'S UNEXPIRED TERM.
- J. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH S&S TREE SPECIALISTS FOR STREET TREE TRIMMING.
- K. ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-010** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FEASIBILITY REPORT, ORDERING THE PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND ACQUISITION OF EASMENTS FOR THE TIMBER RIDGE 6TH ADDITION WATER, SEWER AND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.
- L. ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-011** AUTHORIZING STAFF TO APPLY FOR THE MINNESOTA DNR LOCAL TRAIL CONNECTIONS GRANT FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS A MATCHING GRANT AND THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE IS THE SOLE SPONSOR OF THE PROJECT.
- M. RECEIVE INFORMATION ON TRANSPORTATION FUNDING BILLS.
- N. ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-012** ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF ONE TINT METER VALUED AT \$100.00 FROM THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT PUBLIC

SAFETY TO THE COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT, POLICE DIVISION.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

RESPONSE TO PREVIOUSLY RAISED OPEN FORUM ISSUES

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NONE

BID AWARDS

NONE

UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider Denying a Rural Subdivision with Variances to Subdivide an 18-Acre Parcel of Land at 11701 Grey Cloud Trail into Two Parcels.

City Attorney Thomson explained that the revised resolution as presented to City Council for consideration has highlighted areas that show the new provisions that were added based on her recommendation. She explained that the Council should make some express findings for the number of variances requested. She referenced page two and three and reviewed the new language she put together based on the information included for Council review.

Rod Hale, 11701 Grey Cloud Trail South, Cottage Grove asked if the City Council had received the letter written in support of the request by John and Julie Appert. He provided Council with copies for their review and provided them with a brief history of the property. He stated that when they purchased the 22 acres of property in the late 1970's it was with the intent to provide their children with privacy and the ability to enjoy amenities of the island. He stated that since that time life has changed and their children have moved on adding that they no longer had the need for 22 acres of land and subsequently decided to subdivide and sell a portion of the property. He stated that the property currently consists of 18 acres and they would like to subdivide seven acres, leaving them with 11 acres for their home property. He reviewed the variance requirements and proposed subdivision of the property with Council noting that the Planning Commission recommended his initial request. He stated that he withdrew the initial request because he was a member of the City Council at that time and did not want to create any problems or cause for concern.

Mr. Hale explained that the proposal meets all standards and requirements except for the variance required for the front footage. He further explained that he is seeking variance for the new parcel to provide the ability to locate the home on the lot. He stated that the reason the 180-foot frontage requirement was created for rural areas is in the event that public sewage and water became available they could subdivide to accommodate. He stated that

the other three variances all apply to critical area standards and reviewed with Council. He stated that none of the properties would adversely affect the quality or preservation along the river noting that the City of St. Paul is currently developing their water frontage to include condominiums and a marina. He reviewed the major industries located along the river front noting that if the industries can reside on water front a residential home that would be set back, out of site from public view should be allowed. He stated that homes do not degrade the view along the river.

Mr. Hale provided Council with pictures of the area, as it looks today, for their review. He noted that the entire island is basically a 24-hour mining district adding that the property is separated from the main backwater channel and is a fairly remote site. He indicated that there are forty homes in Cottage Grove that line the river front noting that most of the home sites are sheltered from view and provided Council with pictures of the area for their review. He included a photograph showing the view of his home from the river noting that his home is located on the zero frontage line and his home, along with the others, is not visible from the river.

Mr. Hale provided the Council with a visual overview of the property and the proposed location for the home. He explained that their intent is to try to make better use of land. He stated that he has lived here for 30 years and is a very frequent user of the river resources. He stated that he works with a group, Friends of the River, and provides them with the use of his riverfront to access the river and launch their boats. He reviewed the area with Council noting that the back waters area is not navigable and with the mining operation located across the river from his home and the proposed new home, running 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, he questions why they should not be allowed to build a new home in this area. He explained that the parcel is adequate enough in size to help preserve the wildlife, the waterfront and provide privacy. He assured Council that the essential character of the area would not change adding that the wooded area of the site would provide adequate coverage to shield the view from the river. He noted that the septic system is also adequate to handle the additional use and reviewed with Council.

Mr. Hale acknowledged that some of his neighbors do not like what he is trying to do with his property adding that he respects their opinion but does not see this request as degrading the area but rather enhancing it by providing a citizen with an opportunity to acquire a river lot for a custom built home.

John Tschida, 7315 80th Street, Coldwell Banker Real Estate, stated that he has been working with Mr. Hale on this proposal. He stated that when they went before the Planning Commission with this proposal one of the key objectives was the size of the parcel being subdivided because it was not large enough. He explained that the variance has been removed and the lot was enlarged to remove the main concern, which was the size of the lot. Mayor Shiely clarified that it was a septic variance and that the concerns regarding the size of the lot were due to the potential inability for the septic system to support the additional use.

Council Member Grossklaus asked Community Development Director Blin how this would affect the other property owners and keep them from subdividing their property if they so choose. Community Development Director Blin stated that this would not affect them, as the

variance would only apply to this site. He explained that if others in this area want to subdivide a similar site they would also be required to have a variance.

Mayor Shiely stated that there have been eleven variance incidents within the river corridor adding that she was either a member of the Planning Commission or City Council for many of the requests. She explained the historical perspectives and the differences in how front yard views are considered along a riverfront in comparison to an inland property. She stated that owners of riverfront property consider the river side their front yard whereas normally a front yard would abut the street. She stated that considering requests such as this could be a complicated matter with respect to interpretation, visibility and the historical nature of the area. She noted that most of the homes in this area were built prior to the development of the Critical Area Standards adding that if those homes were damaged or destroyed it would not be possible to rebuild the homes on the same location unless the City of Cottage Grove is willing to grant variances. She stated that the City of St. Paul is a completely different issue as the St. Paul riverfront has a different zoning process.

Council Member Bailey stated that Staff has had the interest of the Planning Commission in mind with respect to the zoning concerns. He stated that the zoning concerns for this area in comparison to other areas of the City would be treating differently due to the nature of the area and location. He explained that it would be reviewed as a City planning issue and would be treated differently.

Council Member Bailey expressed concerns that if they were to grant this variance it could open the door to other residents initiating the subdivision process for their respective properties. He stated that while on the Planning Commission he had concerns with septic system and acknowledged that they did meet the concerns for a portion of the issue by increasing the lot size. He stated that there were issues along the bluff line and asked if this was still a concern. Mr. Hale confirmed that the bluff line was a concern, which was the reason for the initial variance requests. He noted that according the zoning district guidelines in order for a property to be able to subdivide they must own three acres or more to qualify. He indicated that the majority of the residents in this area do not own three or more acres and would not be able to subdivide.

Mayor Shiely stated that they have beautiful farmland along the east ravine and it has been decided to master plan the area. She suggested including the City's riverfront area as a part of the master plan process adding that she is concerned about setting a precedent and Council should review and take into consideration how they want the riverfront to look.

Council Member Bigham asked how many people own more than three acres in this area that could potentially request a subdivision. Mr. Hale stated that the island is principally owned by PAS and they lease back 100-acres of the property to the mining company for all of the land to the south of Grey Cloud Island Trail and 40 acres for a commercially operated church camp. He stated that rest of the land is basically smaller parcels noting that his parcel is the first to come up for sale in over twenty-five years.

Mayor Shiely referenced issues they had in the past with a developer who had an interest in coming to Grey Cloud Island. She stated that a study was done and Mr. Shilling had decided

to renew his contract with the mining company for another twenty years so nothing further happened with the developer. She stated that for at least another fifteen years the land would remain with the mining company and once the lease expires it could involve another developer. She suggested that the Council consider planning the future for this area with respect to how they want it to be developed and how they want their portion of the riverfront to appear.

MOTION BY GROSSKLAUS, SECOND BY SHIELY, TO ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. 05-013** DENYING A RURAL SUBDIVISION TO SUBDIVIDE AN 18-ACRE PARCEL OF LAND AT 11701 GREY CLOUD TRAIL INTO TWO PARCELS, AND FIVE VARIANCES TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF A HOUSE LESS THAN 100-FEET FROM THE BLUFF LINE, TO DEVIATE FROM THE FOUR UNITS PER QUARTER/QUARTER SECTION REQUIREMENT, TO ALLOW THE SEPTIC SYSTEM TO BE LESS THAN 150-FEET FROM THE BLUFF LINE, AND TO ALLOW 140-FEET OF PUBLIC FRONTAGE WHEN 180-FEET IS REQUIRED. MOTION CARRIED 3-2. (SHIELY/GROSSKLAUS/BIGHAM-AYE) (RICE/BAILEY-NAY)

- B. Consider Approving an Increase of the Annual Base Urban Residential Stormwater Utility Fund Rate from \$21.00 to \$40.00 for 2005 and 2006 with an Additional Increase of \$2.00 in 2007.

Mayor Shiely stated that the City is trying to educate the residents in regard to a proposed increase in the stormwater utility fund rate. She stated that the City Council has decided to table the motion until the Residents of Cottage Grove have had an opportunity to review the information being provided by the City Staff. She explained that information regarding the increase would be provided via the City's website, the local newspaper, and via the monthly City newsletter.

Kimberly Anderson, Reporter for The Bulletin, assured the Council that the article has already been written and would be published in the next issue.

City Engineer Levitt provided the Council with a brief overview and recap of the presentation and proposal for the City of Cottage Grove's Stormwater System and Fund Rate increase.

Finance and Administrative Services Director Hedberg reviewed the property tax levies paid by the City and residents to the South Washington County Watershed district noting that this is a part of the property taxes paid by residents each year. He stated that also included on the property tax bill is a stormwater fee listed as a special assessment. He reviewed the amounts charged per resident with Council.

Mayor Shiely asked if they would be paying additional funds to the South Washington County Watershed. Finance and Administrative Services Director Hedberg confirmed stating that the City of Cottage Grove receives a property tax bill from the County that includes this assessment on the bill. He stated that the dollar amount the City pays to them is approximately \$12,000.00 adding that all property owners in the City of Cottage Grove pay a portion of this bill in addition to their regular property tax. He reviewed with Council the impact it would have if they issue bonds for specific projects. He provided Council with an example

stating that if they did this with the Hamlet Pond project and bonded the project over a ten-year timeframe the process would free up dollars for additional projects in the first two years but would then reduce available dollars for any additional future projects. He explained that the incentive for bonds is if there is a need to accelerate the timing for completion on certain projects. He stated that Staff is not recommending additional bonding, as it would increase the total debt burden to the City.

City Engineer Levitt stated that as a part of the process in researching this issue they polled a variety of Cities and found that the average stormwater fee, across all Cities polled, was \$39.19. She noted that all of the Cities are continuously increasing the fee to help fund many of the unfunded mandates that have been issued recently by the Federal government.

MOTION BY BIGHAM, SECOND BY BAILEY, TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE FEBRUARY 16, 2005 REGULAR MEETING IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE COMMUNITY WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED STORMWATER UTILITY FUND RATE INCREASE. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

C. Consider Approval of the Revised Draft of the Wellhead Protection Plan – Part 2.

Mark Janovec, Bonestroo, provided the Council with a brief overview of the revised draft of the Wellhead Protection Plan. He explained that the plan was completed in two parts noting that Part 1 of the process and plan was approved in September 2003. He explained that all ground water wells must be completed, all tanks and non-source points of contamination must be inventoried and all hazardous waste areas and highly vulnerable contamination areas must be identified. He noted that the overall plan objective is to maintain overall water quality. He stated that 24 action items were developed noting that 8 of the 24 items have already been completed or implemented. He reviewed the six main categories with Council stating that the next portion of the process is the public review period. He stated that it would be a 60-day review period and during that timeframe they must hold a public hearing that would allow residents an opportunity to ask questions, make comments and provide feedback. He stated that the plan would then be submitted for review and approval.

Council Member Bailey referenced an example of a location that had been used by Tom Thumb for a gas station/convenience store and has since changed over and asked what the timeframe would be for an inspection of the area, would they determine if the tanks had been removed and if they have not been removed, determine if they should be. Mr. Janovec explained that the State maintains a database of the locations and does a periodic review. He stated that site assessments have been done and tanks have been removed based on the findings of the assessment. He stated that if leakage is found a cleanup of the contamination is done in the area. He stated that they also review and do a normal testing of the wells in an effort to monitor for contamination.

Council Member Bailey suggested that they consider expanding the household hazardous waste pickup process and encouraged them to continue to work on educating the public. City Engineer Levitt clarified that this refers to an area extending into Woodbury adding that Woodbury does not currently participate in a program of this nature. She agreed that the

process would require some education to the public stating that the communication would include flyers and possibly an article in the City's monthly newsletter.

Public Works Director Burshten stated that they would work through the public education process by utilizing flyers, brochures, the City newsletter, City Website and local newspapers. He clarified that the City of Woodbury is eligible for site collection and could also be involved with their program.

Mayor Shiely asked if the City would have to go through this process every time they want to install a water well. Mr. Janovec explained that they allow two to three wells at a time noting that the costliest part of the project is the time involved and the testing.

Mayor Shiely explained that the Council was late in receiving the plan information and has not had an opportunity to thoroughly review the information. She stated that Council would like to accept receipt of the information as a means of education and educating the public and begin the 60-day review period.

MOTION BY RICE, SECOND BY BIGHAM, TO ACCEPT THE REVISED DRAFT OF THE WELLHEAD PROTECTION PLAN – PART 2. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

RESPONSE TO PREVIOUSLY RAISED COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

A. Discussion of Change Orders.

City Engineer Levitt provided the Council with a brief demonstration and clarification of the Change Order process. She explained that Staff uses change orders to allow construction to progress and complete the project on time. She further explained that field orders are used for minor changes or adjustments adding that change orders are not a negative that means an error or omission has been occurred but are used for unforeseen or unexpected items that occur through the normal course of the project.

Council Member Grossklaus asked who verifies that what was requested actually happens. City Engineer Levitt stated that the entire request is documented thoroughly. She stated that all items requested on a change order are checked and verified for installation.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

NONE

PAY BILLS

MOTION BY RICE, SECONDED BY BIGHAM, TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF CHECK NUMBERS 138367 THROUGH 138554 TOTALING \$462,819.16. (CHECKS 138367 – 138393 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,521.12 ISSUED PRIOR TO COUNCIL APPROVAL.)
MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Mayor Shiely called for a short break at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor Shiely called the meeting back to order at 9:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP SESSION – OPEN

A. CIP Projects

City Engineer Levitt provided Council with an overview of the following 2005 CIP projects:

- Water tower - Currently reviewing different options for the water tower including the acquisition of land. This project would go with the Comprehensive Water Plan. The Comprehensive Water Plan should be updated to provide a better idea of water line availability and to help address capacity issues.

City Administrator Schroeder clarified that the Presbyterian Homes property would provide an opportunity to be able to consider a moderately sized water tower or consider retiring the existing and build a larger tower. Council Member Grossklaus asked if they would place a larger tower on the existing site if they retire the existing tower. City Administrator Schroeder explained that the new tower would likely be located east of Hamlet and reviewed with Council.

Council Member Bailey asked if they retire the existing and place another tower near Hamlet, would the existing tower actually be taken down and removed. City Administrator Schroeder confirmed that the existing tower would be taken down and removed.

- Item 2 – Water Area Fund – Water Main from 65th and Hinton into the Pinecroft development - 70th street trunk water main for 2005. City Engineer Levitt stated that the purpose is to be able to close the water loop and provide better water quality in the area. She stated that the project would be held until they have a better understanding of the development coming to the East Ravine area.
- Sanitary Sewer Area Fund–this will be addressed on the Pinecroft Feasibility report.
- West Draw Sanitary Sewer Project.
- 97th Street Sanitary Sewer Industrial Park Expansion – Has a placeholder in the CIP. As development occurs it will expand 97th street.
- Stormwater Area Fund – Would review West Draw Storm Sewer. Is included in the Feasibility Report approved for Timber Ridge 6th.
- Hamlet Park includes: Extending pipes from 80th Street to Highway 61 to Hamlet Park. The project will provide additional capacity in this area and is currently projected to take place in 2005. Culverts will be phase one; the flume will be constructed in phase one and in conjunction, money will be set aside to repair the ball fields in Hamlet Park including the preliminary grading.
- Proposed Thompson Grove Pond – water quality.
- 95th and Ideal Pond – The intent is to make some industrial lots useable; improve and define the pond in this area.

- MSA Fund: East Ravine – Will involve the first segment of East Ravine Parkway, 90th Street to 85th Street – It is Staff's hope to have the RFP and design ready this summer with plans for construction in 2006.
- Sidewalk upgrade – 80th Street to the SuperAmerica Gas Station. This was slated to be done with Hardwood, but the State is requiring that it be done separately.
- Surface Water Management Plan – Draft for the plan was done in 1999 – would like to complete and update the plan with new development areas.
- Sanitary Sewer Utility Enterprise Fund.
- Lift Station on Point Douglas – Reviewed the options available for consideration – Staff is looking to replace and improve the course main in order to improve efficiency.

Mayor Shiely asked where the water would bypass to if they use the bypass pump process. City Engineer Levitt provided the Council with a diagram and overview outlining the bypass process.

Council Member Rice asked how long they would have for the bypass process. Public Works Director Burshten noted that this Lift Station services several of the commercial businesses in the area and assured the Council that they have a generator in the event of an emergency bypass adding that it would be approximately an hour to hour and a half.

Public Works Director Burshten reviewed the following projects with Council:

- Woodridge Park—between 90th and Hillside—in the process of reconstructing; recently applied for \$25,000 grant, will keep Council informed.
- Hidden Valley Trail extension
- Hamlet Park expansion – four fields
- Hardwood Park – new park being proposed and built by Pulte.
- Parks were reviewed and recommendations were provided to Council from the Parks Commission.

WORKSHOP SESSION – CLOSED

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY RICE, SECONDED BY BIGHAM, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:25 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonita Sullivan
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.