



**MINUTES**  
**COHASSET CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**305 NORTHWEST FIRST AVENUE**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2015**  
**6:00 P.M. City Council Work Session**  
**6:30 P.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council Work Session**  
**7:00 P.M. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**6:00 p.m. City Council Work Session with Fire Department to Discuss Pay Grade**

Mayor Greg Hagy called the City Council Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Greg Hagy, Dennis Blankensop, Terry Bartz, Tim Carlson, & Davin Tinquist  
**Absent with Notice:** Jason Tabaka

Fire Chief Davin Tinquist requested that City Council consider and accept the following proposed wage increase: 3% on hourly wage – from \$14.01 to \$14.43 per hour (last increase was in 2012). Adjusted Officer monthly wages (last pay adjustment for officers was 2008) as follows:

Chief	<i>\$600 (italics denote decrease)</i>
1st Assistant	\$340
2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant	\$200
Captain	\$165
Co-captain	\$165
Lieutenant	\$325
Safety	\$50
Treasurer	<i>\$150</i>

Tinquist noted that this was proposed in the budget which also accounts for increased call volume. Discussion took place and action will be taken at the regular City Council meeting.

**6:30 p.m. City Council Work Session; Topic – Phase II Industrial Park Construction**

Finance Director Max Peters recommended that the City move forward with SEH as the engineering firm for final design through construction and project completion for the Phase II Industrial Park Construction. Peters pointed out that the WSN engineering fees were significantly higher than SEH. Peters explained that between quality, time, and money, SEH is the best choice. This item is on the agenda.

Mayor Hagy adjourned the work session at 6:50 p.m.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Greg Hagy called the regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Mayor Greg Hagy, Councilors Terry Bartz, Dennis Blankensop, Tim Carlson

**Absent with Notice:** Jason Tabaka

**Others:** Davin Tinquist

## **3. Resident Input:** None

## **4. Approve Agenda**

**Additions:** 5K) Resolution 2015-19; & 5L) Request for Continuing Education

**Deletions:** None

*A motion was made by Carlson/Blankensop to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.*

## **5. Administration**

**A. Approve the Resignation of Firefighter Matt Beighley –** *A motion was made by Blankensop/Bartz to approve Matt Beighley’s resignation from the Cohasset Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.* Beighley was thanked for his service.

**B. Wage Increase for Cohasset Fire Department –** This item was discussed at a work session. Tinquist was present to request a wage increase as outlined on page one.

*A motion was made by Bartz/Blankensop to approve officers’ salaries (as listed on page one) and also approve the hourly pay increase of 3% for 2016 (14.01 to \$14.43 per hour) and to give a 3% increase for the next two years. (3% in years 2016-2018.) Motion carried with Councilor Carlson abstaining.* Tinquist thanked Council on behalf of the Fire Department.

**C. Approval for Volunteer Appreciation Event – December 5, 2015 –** *A motion was made by Carlson/Bartz to approve the annual Volunteer Appreciation Event for December 5, 2015 to be held at LMNO-Pizza. Motion carried unanimously.*

**D. Recommendation from Donation Committee for Community Center Fee Waiver –** *A motion was made by Carlson/Bartz to approve a Community Center fee waiver for the DFL caucus on March 1, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.*

**E. Approve Tracy Huben’s Resignation from the PUC –** *A motion was made by Blankensop/Carlson to approve Tracy Huben’s resignation from the PUC. Motion carried unanimously.* Tracy was thanked for her service.

**F. Recommendation from the PUC to Appoint Paul Vanderlinde & Shar Solem to the Cohasset PUC –** *A motion was made by Carlson/Blankensop to approve the appointment of Vanderlinde and Solem to the PUC. Motion carried unanimously.*

**G. Recommendation from the PUC to Install Addition Lighting at the Cohasset Community Center –** *A motion was made by Bartz/Carlson to get some bids for lighting and find out where the lighting should go. Motion carried unanimously.* This item will be handed back to the PUC.

**H. Resolution 2015-18 (Moratorium on Off-Premises Commercial Advertising on Signs) –** Paul Shorma, Cohasset, MN spoke against the moratorium on signs as he felt it would discourage business growth in Cohasset.

Angela Bailey from Daktronics Sign Company was present and also spoke against the moratorium on signs.

Mayor Hagy reported that City Attorney John Licke recommended the moratorium to give the Planning Commission time to amend the verbiage in the sign ordinance.

*A motion was made by Bartz/Blankensop to follow the City Attorney’s advice and approve Resolution 2015-18 and to send this item back to the Planning Commission for verbiage, which is to be done as soon as they are able. Motion carried unanimously.*

**I. Award Ice Angel Bid –** One bid was received on the Ice Angel in the amount of \$5200. *A motion was made by Blankensop/Carlson to accept the \$5200 bid from Eric Wourms for the sale of the Ice Angel. Motion carried unanimously.*

**J. Approve Phase II Industrial Park Engineering –** *A motion was made by Carlson/Bartz to award the Phase II Industrial Park Engineering to SEH. Motion carried unanimously.*

**K. Resolution 2015-19 –** *A motion was made by Blankensop/Carlson to approve Resolution 2015-19 authorizing the City of Cohasset, MN to make application to and accept funds from the IRRRB Residential Redevelopment Program for the demolition of the Johnson property. Motion carried unanimously.*

**L. Request for Continuing Education –** *A motion was made by Carlson/Blankensop to approve a request from Jess Piche to attend the MCFOA Region II Fall Meeting on Thursday, October 22, 2015 in Pillager MN for a cost of \$15. Motion carried unanimously.*

**6. Miscellaneous Announcements, Reports & FYIs:** Turkey Bingo will be held Thursday October 15, at the Cohasset Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

**All matters listed under consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.**

#### **7. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approve Claims in the Amount of \$325,624.27
- B. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2015
- C. Approve PUC Minutes of September 14, 2015
- D. Acknowledge Cohasset EDA Minutes of September 1, 2015
- E. Acknowledge Planning Commission Minutes of September 2, 2015
- F. Approve Cemetery Deed for Jeanette Terhaar

*A motion was made by Bartz/Carlson to approve the consent agenda and claims in the amount of \$325,624.27. Motion carried unanimously.*

Mayor Hagy adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by Deputy Clerk Karen Mester

Approved: 10/27/2015