

1 **City of Minneola**
2 **Regular Council Meeting**
3 **Minneola City Hall**

May 9, 2006
7:00 P.M.

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5 The City of Minneola Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor David
6 Yeager. Present were: Councilwoman Sue Cordova, Vice Mayor Ed Earl, Councilman
7 Joseph Teri, Scott Gerken (City Attorney), Jan McDaniel (City Clerk), Capt. Peyton
8 Grinnell (LCSO), Bruce Behrens (City Manager), and Peter Brandt (Planning
9 Consultant). Councilman Perreault was unexcused.

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11 A moment of silence was observed and the Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

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13 **Tab # 1 Approval of Minutes**

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15 Council Workshop April 18, 2006 @ 7:00 P.M.

16 Council Workshop April 19, 2006 @ 7:00 P.M.

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18 There were no corrections to the minutes.

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20 **MOTION by Ed Earl, SECONDED by Joe Teri to approve the workshop minutes of**
21 **April 18th and 19th.**

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23 **AYE:** Cordova, Yeager, Earl, Teri

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25 **NAY:** None

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27 **MOTION PASSED: 4-0**

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29 **Agenda Review**

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31 **Mayor Yeager:** Stated that Ordinance 2006-16 would be continued per the applicant's
32 request.

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34 **Sue Cordova:** Requested that Resolution 2006-04 and Ordinance 2006-18 to be heard
35 first and together.

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37 **Joe Teri:** Stated that he would like to hear the Perez Variance first, as Mr. & Mrs. Perez
38 were present to answer questions.

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40 **Tab # 2 Resolution 2006-05 Perez Variance Quasi- Judicial Hearing @ 7:05 P.M.**

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42 **Tab # 5 (moved at Agenda Review) Resolution 2006-04**

43 **Tab # 6 (moved at Agenda Review) Ordinance 2006-18**

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45 **Scott Gerken:** Read Resolution 2006-04 by title only; and read Ordinance 2006-18 by
46 title only for the 2nd time.

1 **Mayor Yeager:** Asked for Council comments. There were no comments.
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3 **Mayor Yeager:** Asked for Public comments. There were no comments.
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5 **MOTION by Sue Cordova, SECONDED by Joe Teri to approve Resolution 2006-04.**
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7 **AYE:** Cordova, Yeager, Earl, Teri
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9 **NAY:** None
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11 **MOTION PASSED: 4-0**
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13 **MOTION by Sue Cordova, SECONDED by Joe Teri to approve Ordinance 2006-18.**
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15 **AYE:** Cordova, Yeager, Earl, Teri
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17 **NAY:** None
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19 **MOTION PASSED: 4-0**
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21 **Tab # 3 Resolution 2006-06 PG & G Enterprises – Vacation of ROW**
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23 **Scott Gerken:** Read Resolution 2006-06 by title only.
24 Sue Cordova: Expressed her concerns with moving forward with this until questions
25 from Tetra-Tech could be answered.
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27 **Scott Gerken:** Explained that it had been determined that the area of concern expressed
28 by Tetra Tech was not the correct area being considered.
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30 **Sue Cordova:** Asked why the City was not requiring the applicant to purchase the
31 Right-of- Way from the City.
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33 **Scott Gerken:** Explained that in the past, when payment for the property had been for
34 City owned property; and that right-of-way property is a different situation.
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36 **Ed Earl:** Stated that he did not see the difference, and that he wanted to see a plan of the
37 project before agreeing to vacate the property.
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39 **Joe Teri:** Stated he was against vacating the ROW on Rockwell.
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41 **Mayor Yeager:** Asked that staff look into the property, and to establish a price for the
42 ROW.
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44 **Mayor Yeager:** Asked for Public comments.
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1 **Pat Murphy (202 E. Osceola St):** Stated that the City may have an easement on the site,
2 but that the City does not own the property. She stated that she would like to see the plan
3 for the property before the Council relinquished the property.

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5 **John Waldron (212 Grassy Lake Road):** Stated that he would like to know what was
6 planned for the property.

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8 **Joe Emanuele (212 Grassy Lake Road):** Requested that the Council delay any decision
9 until more information was obtained from the applicant.

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11 **MOTION by Ed Earl, SECONDED by Joe Teri to table Resolution 2006-06.**

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13 **AYE:** Cordova, Yeager, Earl, Teri

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15 **NAY:** None

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17 **MOTION PASSED: 4-0**

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19 **Audience to be Heard**

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21 **Pat Murphy (202 E. Osceola):** Complained that there had been four busses speeding in
22 the area of the school and asked why those busses were there.

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24 **Ms. Daniel (Minneola):** Explained that the busses were used for end of the year field
25 trips for the students.

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27 **Capt. Grinnell:** Stated he would contact the school regarding the issue.

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29 **Tab # 7 Code Review**

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31 **Sue Cordova:** Asked why County roads were not included in Section 44-3 regarding
32 traffic control devices.

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34 **Scott Gerken:** Stated that he believed the City already had the option of placing traffic
35 control devices on those roads within the City limits.

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37 Consensus of Council was to accept the proposed changes.

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39 **Tab # 8 Compensation Study – Cody & Assoc.**

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41 **Bruce Behrens:** Explained that he had requested a proposal from Cody & Associates to
42 conduct a compensation and job description/ranking study. He stated the cost of the
43 study was \$6,500.00.

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1 **Sue Cordova:** Requested that a decision on this be delayed until after the 2nd budget
2 workshop; but that she was in favor of the study and asked the staff to go over the budget
3 and determine where the money to pay for the study would come from.

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5 **Ed Earl:** Stated that he believed the cost of the study would be money well spent.

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7 **Joe Teri:** Stated that he would like to table this until after a budget workshop.

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9 **Mayor Yeager:** Stated that he was in favor of the study and agreed that the decision
10 could be made after the 2nd budget workshop on May 17th.

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12 Consensus of Council was to table the approval of the study.

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14 **Reports:**

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16 **Bruce Behrens:** Explained his City Manager's report; reported that the cost of repairing
17 the Lakewood Ridge sign was approximately \$4,500.00; reported that the past
18 administration had approved the use of the gym by the South Lake Chamber at no cost;
19 and the grant application for the purchase of the property for a conservation area would
20 be submitted on May 10th; and that the developer of AAA Storage would be billed for the
21 overtime paid to City employees when they assisted with the mudslide from that
22 property.

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24 **Capt. Peyton Grinnell:** Explained that the sheriff would soon assign a replacement for
25 him, and that he would be introducing him to everyone when he arrives.

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27 **Scott Gerken:** No report

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29 **Sue Cordova:** Stated that someone had told her that the City of Clermont had an
30 additional homestead exemption for long time residents. She asked that the City
31 Manager contact the City of Clermont and find out about the program.

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33 **Scott Gerken:** Stated that a bill had just passed the house called "Save Our Seniors" that
34 would allow the City to implement some type of tax cut; but urged the Council to
35 carefully consider that as it would decrease the total tax that comes to the City.

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37 **Sue Cordova:** Congratulated Captain Grinnell on his promotion; and commended
38 Councilman Teri for informing the Council of the possibility of a grant for conservation
39 areas. She requested that the Council consider changing the way the Council votes, and
40 asked that "all in favor and "all opposed" be used.

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42 **Ed Earl:** Asked when Mr. Behren's review would be held.

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44 **Sue Cordova:** Suggested that the review be added to next Tuesday's budget workshop.

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46 Council moved the Trademore /Suggs workshop to Wednesday, May 31st.

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Ed Earl: Commented on the letters sent to the homeowners regarding the wastewater lines, and asked if any changes to the wastewater ordinance had been made.

Scott Gerken: Stated that no new provisions had been made.

Joe Teri: Stated that there were a couple of repeat code violators within the City and requested that the Code Enforcement Office be given the ability to write tickets for those violations.

Ramon Flores: Stated that the Lake County Court system would not hear the appeals for those types of cases, and that it would not be feasible for the City to pursue that action.

Scott Gerken: Explained the laws pertaining to code enforcement and the purpose of the Code Enforcement Board.

Joe Teri: Stated that the trail that goes under US 27 would be closed for a year, and asked that the City find an alternate way to route the trail to allow the citizen's to continue to use the trail.

Consensus of Council was for the City Manager to contact DOT regarding the trail closure and a possible alternate route.

Mayor Yeager: Expressed his support of the grant application to purchase conservation areas. He stated that the repair of Lakewood Ridge sign needed to be addressed by either tearing it down or repairing it. Congratulated Capt. Grinnell; and asked that laptops for Council to be considered for the next budgets and wireless microphones for each Council person. He requested that the City Manager obtain quotes for permanent/moveable council desks.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.