

**Minneola City Council
Meeting Minutes
Minneola City Hall
February 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM**

The City of Minneola City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat Kelley. Also present were Councilor Pam Serviss, Vice Mayor Debbie Flinn, Councilor Joe Saunders, Scott Gerken (City Attorney), Mark Johnson (City Manager), and Kristine Thompson (City Clerk). Councilor Hernandez was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A moment of silence was observed, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Councilor Serviss**.

AGENDA REVIEW

There were no changes made to the agenda.

MOTION by Councilor Serviss, SECONDED by Vice Mayor Flinn to excuse Councilor Hernandez.

AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Banks Helfrich, 9100 Sams Lake Road, spoke about tours of his farm which he offers to the public on the first Saturday of each month.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Kelley proclaimed March 2023 Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT AGENDA

Item 1: City Council Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2023

There were no public comments.

MOTION by Vice Mayor Flinn, SECONDED by Councilor Serviss to approve the City Manager's Consent Agenda with correction to the motion made on line 57 of the February 7, 2023 Council meeting minutes.

AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

COUNCIL DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

Item 3: Ordinance 2023-02 Class E Buffer Type – Second Reading

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

Joyce Heffington stated this ordinance corrects prior changes made to the code which mistakenly removed the Class E buffer type.

Public Comment

There were no comments.

MOTION by Councilor Serviss, SECONDED by Vice Mayor Flinn to approve Item 3: Ordinance 2023-02 Class E Buffer Type – Second Reading.

AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

Item 4: Ordinance 2023-03 Car Lots – Second Reading

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

Joyce Heffington stated this ordinance would require car lots to request a Special Exception.

Scott Gerken further explained the ordinance includes additional regulations which limits the number of cars a car lot can have and how many car lots can be within the city at one time.

Public Comment

There were no comments.

MOTION by Vice Mayor Flinn, SECONDED by Councilor Serviss to approve Item 4: Ordinance 2023-03 Car Lots – Second Reading.

AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

Item 5: Ordinance 2023-07 Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) – Second Reading

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title. He clarified that the one-year extension referenced in the ordinance was to extend the current approval, set to expire on 3/1/23, for an additional year until 3/1/24. He recommended next year, if we extend again, to align the approvals with the fiscal year, which begins on October 1st of each year.

Public Comment

There were no comments.

MOTION by Councilor Serviss, SECONDED by Vice Mayor Flinn to approve Item 5: Ordinance 2023-07 Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) – Second Reading.

AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

Item 6: Library Lot Aggregate

Item 7: Ordinance 2023-08 Library Rezoning – First Reading – Quasi-Judicial

Item 8: Ordinance 2023-09 Library Comprehensive Plan Amendment – First Reading

Scott Gerken suggested Items 6, 7, & 8 cause be discussed together as they all relate to the library site.

Scott Gerken read Ordinance 2023-08 and Ordinance 2023-09 by title and swore in Joyce Heffington and Mark Johnson to speak on the rezoning ordinance.

Joyce Heffington explained the lot aggregate will combine the four city parcels which are located at the corner of Virginia Avenue and Pearl Street. She stated these lots will form a larger lot for the new library. The city is requesting to rezone these parcel from B-1, General Commercial, to P, Public Facilities.

Scott Gerken suggested Item 6 could be voted on at the next City Council meeting along with Item 7: Ordinance 2023-08 and Item 8: Ordinance 2023-09 as this is when they receive their second reading.

Public Comment

There were no comments.

Item 9: Ordinance 2023-10 Main Avenue Redevelopment District Design Standards – First Reading

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

Joyce Heffington stated this ordinance changes color requirements in the design standards for the Main Avenue Redevelopment District. The current code requires certain Pantone colors, but this will broaden the color options while keeping with the earth tone requirements.

Public Comment

There were no comments.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

REPORTS**Mark Johnson**

- Stated the Turnpike will be holding a public meeting in the council chambers on March 2 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Stated a workshop regarding the Hills of Minneola Town Center will be held on March 28 at 6:30 p.m.
- Asked Council when they would be available to schedule a session to have their headshots taken by a photographer.
 - Council's consensus was to schedule the session on a Saturday morning around 8:45.
- Spoke about decal design options for the new Code Enforcement vehicles.
 - Council's consensus was to vote on this design at the next city council meeting.

Councilor Serviss

- Spoke about the food distribution event which was held at the Minneola Athletic Complex (MAC) on February 17. She mentioned vehicle stacking issues but suggested they may have a resolution for this issue. She asked Mark to schedule a meeting with the Pine Bluff HOA to discuss ideas to eliminate or alleviate overflow parking issues.

Mayor Kelley

- Indicated he met with Richard Jerman, with Sunterra Properties.
- Informed Council he has been working with Advent Health to create an informational magnet which would contain important phone numbers and heart health information.
- Spoke about the status of various projects in the city.
- Requested Council discuss replacing the carpeting in the Council Chambers and repainting the bathrooms at the next meeting.

MOTION by Vice Mayor Flinn, SECONDED by Councilor Serviss, to adjourn.


AYE: Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders


NAY: None

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

(Meeting adjourned at 7:14 P.M.)

ATTEST:


Kristine Thompson, City Clerk



Rae Kelley, Mayor

