

PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL
VILLAGE OF MOUNDS VIEW
COUNTY OF RAMSEY

A Regular Meeting of the Mounds View Village Council was called to order by Mayor Neisen at 8:00 P.M. on July 9, 1973, at the Mounds View Village Hall, 2401 Highway #10, St. Paul, Minnesota 55112.

Present:

Mayor Neisen
Councilman Hodges
Councilman Johnson
Councilman Baumgartner
Councilman Pickar

Also Present:

Deputy Clerk Sandgren
Attorney Meyers
Engineer Bearden

MSP (Hodges-Baumgartner) To approve the minutes of June 25, 1973.

4 Ayes
Pickar Abstained

Residents Requests and Comments from the Floor

A resident living in the Dailey Homes Addition presented a petition for street lights in that area. The Council accepted the petition and Councilman Johnson informed the audience that NSP had the comprehensive street lighting plan for that area. The proposal has been in for some time and hopefully the lights would be installed soon.

A resident inquired as to the procedure for extending Greenwood Drive north to Ardan Avenue. Mayor Neisen told him a petition would have to be presented to the Council, signed by at least 35% of the land owners.

Mayor Neisen's Report

Mayor Neisen reported that the Clerk was on vacation and his assistant was attending the Council meeting.

Mayor Neisen read the Police Report for June.

MSP (Johnson-Pickar) To award the bid for the 1973 squad car to Midway Ford for \$3,100.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen explained that no companies would bid when we went through the Ramsey County Purchasing Department. One other bid was received from Art Goebel Ford - \$3,100. Midway Ford's car had the correct engine size desired - Mid size V-8 - therefore their bid was accepted.

Mayor Neisen read a letter from Mr. Glen VanWormer, District Traffic Engineer relative to traffic control of Trunk Highway 10 at County Road I and Long Lake Road and the proposed new shopping center.

MSP (Neisen-Hodges) To hire Mr. Victor Hansen as part time assistant building inspector effective July 5 at a salary of \$4.50 per hour with an automatic increase of \$5.00 per hour effective January 1, 1974. In addition to his regular hourly rate, an automobile allowance of \$25.00 per month. No other salary increase will take effect January 1, 1974.

Upon the request of Councilman Johnson, Mayor Neisen amended the motion to read 20 hours per week.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen read a letter of resignation from Ralph Hanggi, Jr.

MSP (Neisen-Pickar) To accept the resignation of Ralph Hanggi Jr. as building custodian effective July 16th and to hire Richard Madsen effective that same date at a monthly salary of \$60.00 per month.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen reported that Thompson Plumbing has dug up 7760 Greenwood Drive twice in hooking up the sewer service. The first time they dug it was wet and they did not know how to dry it up so they covered it up and left. The second time they dug it up it was wet around the pipe and Jim Schlichtmann refused to give a satisfactory inspection until he could see the connection. They covered the pipe and left. They have been told to come back and allow us to see the connection since June 22nd and we have met little response - only promises.

MSP (Neisen-Johnson) To hold a hearing to revoke Thompson Plumbing's Sewer and Water License in accordance with 60.02, Subdivision 8 of the Municipal Code for August 6, 1973 at 7:30 P.M.

5 Ayes

The office was directed to send a notice of the hearing to Thompson Plumbing, Mayor Neisen reported that Keith Harstad was in last Monday evening and he will take care of the drainage problem south of County Road H2 between Red Oak Drive and Sunnyside Road this fall.

Mayor Neisen reported that the boy scouts did not want the white garage and Clerk Zylla was granted the authority to have someone else take it. Mayor Neisen presented his bill for attending the League meeting at Alexandria and returned a refund check for \$27.75.

Deputy Clerk Sandgren's Report

MSP (Hodges-Johnson) To approve the licenses: Asphalt - Carl B. Anderson Blacktopping; Excavating - Beyer's Excavating, Bollig & Sons, Inc., Schulze Excavating & Grading; General Contractor - Balsiger Contracting Co., Culligan Water Conditioning, Rite-Way Engineering Co., American Burner Service, Inc.; Heating - St. Marie Sheet Metal Inc., Clarence E. Nelson Heating & A.C., Standard Heating & A.C., Neil & Hubbard Heating & A.C., The Kimball Company, Inc.; Sewer & Water - Waalen and Sabby, Inc.

5 Ayes

MSP (Pickar-Hodges) To approve the bills: General Fund checks #7449 thru #7492. Payroll Account checks #1029 thru #1031. Bond Account checks #103 and #104. Payroll checks #389 thru #413. Total disbursements : \$140,809.43. Also transfer check #7493 transferring \$9,700.03 to the Payroll Account to pay gross pay of July 15th, 1973. From General \$7,548.28, from water \$1,368.92, from sewer \$782.83.

5 Ayes

Councilman Hodges Report

Councilman Hodges inquired of Councilman Pickar whether he had been contacted by the people whose car was hit by the globe which fell from the light at Spring Lake. He had been contacted.

Mayor Neisen noted that a neighbor to Councilman Hodges had called that a pants suit had been ruined due to the bad color of the water. He has had many reports

of bad, smelly water. Mayor Neisen inquired to Engineer Bearden whether he had been directed to investigate. Engineer Bearden reported that Clerk Zylla was to meet with the Health Department first. No one was aware that he had done this as yet.

MSP (Neisen-Johnson) To direct Engineer Bearden to check by any means possible to find out the cause of the bad water situation. 5 Ayes

It was stated that most of the calls were coming from south of Highway #10 or the Twelve Oaks area.

Councilman Johnson's Report

Councilman Johnson reported that there will be a Labor Relations Workshop on August 3, 1973 sponsored by the Association of Minnesota Counties, League of Minnesota Municipalities, Metropolitan Inter-County Council and the Metropolitan League of Municipalities. An analysis of the impact of Minnesota's amended Public Employment Labor Relations Act will cover the following topics: the right to strike for nonessential employee groups, binding arbitration of contract negotiation impasses involving essential employees, rules and procedures of the Public Employment Relations Board, rules and procedures of the Bureau of Mediation Services and the role of elected officials.

MSP (Neisen-Hodges) To send the registration fee of \$12.00 for Councilman Johnson to attend the Labor Relations Workshop at the Radisson South on August 3, 1973. 5 Ayes

Councilman Baumgartner's Report

Councilman Baumgartner read the Park & Recreation Meeting report. He stated that they would wait to make a motion to hire a full time park director until there had been more discussion on the matter, as to where the money would come from to pay him.

MSP (Baumgartner-Pickar) To request Clerk Zylla to obtain estimates from three other planning consultants for a revised comprehensive plan. 5 Ayes

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To recess the regular meeting at 8:30 P.M. 5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen called the Drainage Information Hearing to order at 8:30 P.M. Deputy Clerk Sandgren read the letter sent on June 27, 1973 informing residents in the drainage ditch area of the hearing.

Mayor Neisen turned the meeting over to Engineer Bearden who presented a map and explained the drainage situation at the Greenwood Drive and Sherwood Road area.

Delores Fehlderg, representing her mother, Nellie Dormeyer who lives at 8171 Eastwood Road inquired why the two obvious lots were omitted in the shaded area, who were the people affected, and when were the houses built. Engineer Bearden explained that this was an old drainage map from 1964 which showed the drainage boundary. The two lots omitted had been split and only the back half was where the problem was. The ditch which runs along Greenwood Drive was made in 1964

when sanitary sewer went in and the houses were built in 1969 and 1970.

Conrad Dumke of 8045 Greenwood Drive wanted proof that his lot drained into the area. He said his lot drains south. He inquired if the map could be challenged since it was an old map and not a new survey map.

Mayor Neisen commented that this was purely an informational hearing. If he wanted a water drainage survey to see where his lot drains, they would have to make a new map. This would cost money. So far no money has been expended.

Bill Frits of 8072 Long Lake Road inquired what purpose was being served by the catch basin at the southwest corner of Long Lake Road and Sherwood Road. He said the grade level of the road was changed in 1967 or 1968 when Long Lake Road was paved and the drainage changed to a northerly flow instead of a southerly flow.

Mayor Neisen defended Engineer Bearden in that he had only served as Village Engineer since April and was not familiar with happenings several years ago.

Paul Fedor, Sr. of 8030 Long Lake Road stated that a new highway would be going in, in the near future and perhaps all their planning now would be changed.

Mayor Neisen stated it may affect the flow north of County Road J.

John Piciorek of 8065 Eastwood Road inquired as to how many homes had made complaints. Mayor Neisen replied three homes.

Mayor Neisen again explained that this was just an informational hearing and no assessments would be put on this evening.

Mr. Hansen a resident of Fridley, but speaking for Nellie Dormeier stated that she had no problem.

Mayor Neisen explained that some part of each property owners land drains into this area.

Mrs. Nordstrom of 8050 Greenwood Drive wondered why they should be burdened when these people chose to build where they did, why a house 5 feet from them would have problems. Mayor Neisen answered it could be the contour of the land.

Duane McCarty of 8060 Long Lake Road stated he had no water problems and he lives close to the ditch. He wondered if he would be assessed or not. He doesn't want to pay for other peoples problems and asked why a building permit was issued in the first place if there are water problems in the area.

Gordon Barnes of 8031 Greenwood Drive wondered why the builder wasn't told the water table when he applied for a permit to build.

Robert Pearson, 2415 Sherwood Road said there were two things that bothered him. There is no assurance the problem will be cleared up if this were done and it bothered him that the whole village wasn't included. Why are just these in this area singled out?

Conrad Dumke inquired if the law says only the persons in the drainage area should pay for this. Mayor Neisen commented that it's an area problem and only the people in the area pay for it.

Mrs. K. Larson of 2401 Sherwood Road questioned the \$15,000 cost for conduit and the \$1,000 for cleaning out the ditch. Why not clean the ditch out - she would get a shovel and help, and then tar the bottom 2/3 of the way up. Engineer Bearden stated these were two alternatives, two extremes of procedure. It wouldn't be easy to put tar under water.

Delores Fehlderg speaking for Nellie Dormeier felt it was the builders fault and since the Engineer couldn't guarantee either of these procedures would work perhaps sump pumps could be installed to take care of the problem. She asked the Council for suggestions to solve the problem.

Mayor Neisen stated the Council did not want to dictate to the people. This was just an informational hearing.

John Lauterbach of 8193 Eastwood Road asked what they would recommend to solve the problem. Engineer Bearden replied to lower the water table. This can only be done by putting in storm sewer.

Builder, Vic Loeffler said he had built 15 homes and they were high and dry. These in question were built too low.

Mrs. Wayne Depew, 2385 Sherwood Road stated they had a sump pump for 1 year which kicks in every four minutes, but it doesn't do the job. A resident inquired of Mrs. Depew where the water is coming from. She stated through the floor.

Conrad Dumke asked why the Village doesn't demand further study before issuing a building permit to show that there will be no water problems in the future. In another village where he built, he had to go back 100 years and research to show proof that he wouldn't have water problems in the future.

Attorney Meyers read from the Statutes, Chapter 429, the law on assessment of fees, stating assessments were only levied on benefiting property owners.

A resident inquired if the houses could be raised. The attorney stated municipal money couldn't be used to raise private homes.

Mrs. Lauterback thought the builders should be responsible. She was informed that after one year the builder is off the hook.

Ole Bacon reported that the condition he had complained about previously is now correcting itself. He doesn't feel it's always the fault of the builder.

Joe Christy, 2365 Sherwood Road remembered the slew until the sewer was put in. He wondered if a street had been put in somewhere without a culvert that was holding up the water.

Attorney Meyers reassured the audience again that this was strictly an informational hearing. The storm sewer may eventually have to go in the north area to open the Village up.

The resident living across the street from the two homes in question wondered why they had water in the basement and he didn't. He wondered if the ditch wasn't doing the job or if the house could be standing on a spring.

Raymond Ledo, 2375 Sherwood Road said he built in 1965. Water table high at that time was at three feet. He put fill on his land and the others should have done this also.

Mayor Neisen commented that when those houses were built the footings were dry.

A resident suggested capping the catch basin at Greenwood Drive and Sherwood Road to see if it was doing any good.

The attorney stated that the insurance company wouldn't pay for any damages that might result.

Tom Dougherty of 2109 Laport Drive questioned who would pay the damages if the catch basin were capped.

Robert Glazer questioned if a die could be put in the water to see where it runs.

Engineer Bearden said it could be defined.

Reinhold Markfelt, 2410 Ardan Avenue questioned where the water ultimately ended up. Engineer Bearden replied it went into a pipe on the east side of Long Lake Road, then north to Ardan Avenue and eventually goes up to the highway and runs along new Highway #10 and into the judicial ditch.

Councilman Hodges noted that the water was ponding behind Long Lake Road and should be eliminated. He thinks they need to do more research on the problem.

Councilman Pickar asked if the code requires taring of the outside basement walls. A resident stated that government loans require it, but not conventional loans.

Mayor Neisen informed the audience that they would be notified of any additional developments in connection with drainage problems.

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To recess the Drainage Information Hearing at 9:50 P.M. 5 Ayes

MSP -----

MSP (Pickar-Hodges) To approve the subdivision of Lot 96, Knollwood Park Addition into 2 lots, one 155' x 126', and one 135' x 126' with a 25' easement on the south. 5 Ayes

MSP (Neisen-Hodges) To approve the subdivision of Unplatted Lands N 90' of S 162' of E 528' of W 1056' of NE 1/4 (subj to road) In Section 6, Township 30, Range 23 into two lots. One 90' x 240' and one 90' x 288', subject to the payment or certification of \$2,044.50 in additional assessments which were deferred in 1971. 5 Ayes

MSP (Baumgartner-Johnson) To direct the attorney to prepare an amendment to the Special Use Permit for Century Motor Freight to change the name of the firm to Century-Mercury Motor Freight and also permission to erect a 32' x

45' storage building and a 12' x 12' storage tank building on the back of their property.

5 Ayes

Councilman Pickar's Report

Councilman Pickar reported that the Lakeside Park Commission meeting would be July 12th and the Human Rights Commission June meeting was postponed until July 24th.

Councilman Pickar stated that Northern States Power would be contacted in regards to the globe from the light that hit a car.

Mayor Neisen welcomed the new president of the League of Women Voters, Marilyn Fauchald, and thanked Isabelle Schumacher for the fine work she has done in the past.

Attorney Meyers' Report

Attorney Meyers reported he is preparing the paper work for a 20 foot permanent easement for the drainage ditch on the northwest corner of Long Lake Road and County Road H2 for Willmus Properties and they have also agreed to a pedestrian bicycle trail on said easement.

Engineer Bearden's Report

Engineer Bearden presented the preliminary report and cost estimate for water service for the Mounds View Square Shopping Center, Project 1973-5. Improvement and assessment hearings are unnecessary since the developer is the only property owner in the shopping center triangle. The project cost would be assessed to the property bounded by Long Lake Road, County Road I, and Highway #10 over the next 13 years.

MSP (Baumgartner-Johnson) To adopt resolution #608 Declaring Adequacy of the Petition and Ordering Improvements for the Mounds View Square Shopping Center.

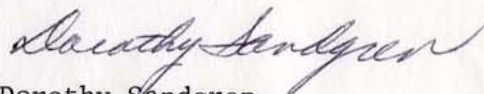
5 Ayes

Frank Gadrysh inquired about the proposed Anchor Inn. Mayor Neisen reported he had understood they were letting their option go back because they couldn't afford the 11% and 15% interest rates.

MSP (Hodges-Pickar) To adjourn at 10:08 P.M.

5 Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy Sandgren,
Deputy Clerk

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Present:

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Councilman Hodges
Councilman Johnson
Councilman Baumgartner
Councilman Pickar

Also Present: Clerk-Administrator Zylla
Engineer Bearden

Absent:

Attorney Meyers

MSP (Neisen-Johnson) To approve the minutes of July 9, 1973 subject to amending the last sentence of the first paragraph of Engineer Bearden's report from 13 years to 10 years and subject to amending the motion to hire Victor Hansen to include that Mr. Hansen may be employed to work in excess of 20 hours per week under special circumstances such as the absence of the full time building inspector or his overloaded schedule.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen's Report

Mayor Neisen read a petition for a stop sign at the intersection of Bronson Drive and Adams Street and a recommendation from the chief of police to deny this installation. The chief of police felt that the sign was not warranted and it would only increase complaints from residents regarding unreasonable acceleration and hot-rodding incidents.

As per the directive of the Council, the police chief provided a recommendation on the operation of the Bel-Rae Ballroom in regards to the segregation of 18 year olds and older with those under 18 during teen dance night. He reported that there have been no problems and therefore recommends that the ordinance be amended as necessary.

MSP (Neisen-Hodges) To direct Attorney Meyers to prepare any necessary amendments to the Village Code.

5 Ayes

Also on the recommendation of the chief of police, the Council took the following action.

MSP (Neisen-Pickar) That teen dances at the Bel-Rae Ballroom not operate past 11:00 P.M. on nights preceding school days. On all other nights they not be allowed to operate past 11:30 P.M.

5 Ayes

Clerk-Administrator Zylla's Report

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To approve the licenses: Asphalt - Northern Asphalt Construction; General Contractor - Dailey Homes, Briar Construction Co., Sinco Construction; Masonry - Kozitza Construction; Heating & Air Conditioning - Montgomery Ward & Co., D. & D. Anderson Htg. & Plbg, Inc.; Moving - Dale Movers, Inc.; Water & Sewer - Dailey Homes, Inc.

5 Ayes

MSP (Pickar-Johnson) To approve transient merchants licenses for: Michael Angelo de Sosa, to sell Websters Student Handbook Set and Home Adventure Library; and Steven Asplund, to sell Polar Bear Snow Cones. 5 Ayes

MSP (Hodges-Johnson) To approve the bills: General Fund Checks #7494 thru #7536, Payroll Account Checks #1032 thru #1035, Transfer check #7535 transferring \$10,000.00 to Revolving Fund from General Fund to establish a street seal coating fund, Transfer check #7537 transferring \$11,153.49 to Payroll Account from General \$8,959.43, from Water \$1,354.00, from Sewer \$840.06 to pay gross pay of July 30, 1973, transfer check #1036 transferring \$47.59 to General Fund from Payroll Account to balance payroll account end of 2nd quarter, and payroll checks \$414 thru 445. Total disbursements \$36,583.49. 5 Ayes

MSP (Baumgartner-Johnson) To approve the subdivision request for Simon T. Simon to divide Ex the S 520 feet and Ex the part NELY of L PAR with the 75 feet SWLY from CL of STH 10 Lot 57 Auditors Subdivision #89 into three lots as per the Planning Commission's recommendation. 5 Ayes

Clerk Zylla informed the Council that several street lights which were ordered as long ago as 12 months past, including the lights in Red Oak Estates No. 2 and Dailey's Hillview Addition are to be installed within the next few weeks. NSP has informed him that the installation was contracted out to Donovan Construction Company.

Clerk Zylla announced that a meeting to discuss formation of a soil and water conservation district for Ramsey County will be held on August 14 and 16.

MSP (Baumgartner-Pickar) To recess the regular meeting at 8:31 P.M. 5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen called the assessment hearing for Projects 1972-3 and 1973-2 to order at 8:32 P.M. Clerk Zylla read the legal notice and attested to its publication in the New Brighton Bulletin on July 5 and July 12, 1973. Engineer Bearden presented the cost break down for the areas involved in Red Oak Estates No. 2. The costs were as follows: Street lateral \$13.65 per foot, water lateral \$7.95 per foot, sanitary sewer lateral \$15.45 per foot, water service \$196.07, sewer service \$227.00. In the Mounds View Industrial Park the costs were as follows: sanitary sewer \$1135.3488 per acre, water \$665.5731 per acre, streets \$2345.4971 per acre.

Mayor Neisen called for questions or objections from the floor. There were none.

MSP (Pickar-Hodges) To adopt Resolution #609 approving the assessment role for the projects enumerated above. Said assessments to be placed on taxes over 20 years at 8 percent interest. 5 Ayes

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To adjourn the special assessment hearing at 8:48 P.M. 5 Ayes

Clerk-Administrator Zylla's Report Con't

Clerk Zylla noted that two years ago the Village Council passed an amendment to the fire code which provided that a fire alarm and detection system approved

by the fire chief be installed in all apartment buildings. All new construction has complied with this ordinance. When the ordinance was passed, apartment owners of existing buildings were given two years to comply with the new law. Letters requesting compliance were mailed by the fire chief two years ago. Presently, letters have been sent out again by the fire chief notifying the owners that the installation must be made at this time. Several owners have balked, primarily due to increased costs and three owners met informally with the Village Council last Monday evening. The Clerk requested information from the Council as to whether the ordinance should be enforced or whether they felt that it should be repealed. The Mayor and Council expressed an opinion that the ordinance was a good law even though it may be tested in court and they gave no indication of wanting it repealed. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with its enforcement.

Councilman Hodges' Report

Councilman Hodges again noted that there have been problems with rusty water in his area. The Clerk notified him that a meeting was held with the engineer, village superintendent and a health department employee in which the matter was discussed at length. The health department agrees that it is not a health hazard and that it seems the problem is in the distribution system and not in the pumping system. The health department is to conduct a thorough analysis of the system beginning the last week in July.

Councilman Johnson's Report

MSP (Johnson-Baumgartner) To direct the Clerk to investigate various housing ordinances in an attempt to control the state of disrepair of apartment and single family homes for the purpose of attempting to improve the quality of housing and the neighborhood environment by adopting a housing code for the Village for Mounds View.

5 Ayes

Councilman Johnson noted that he had attended a North Suburban Sewer Advisory Board meeting on Thursday in which several alternatives to the Lino Lakes-Centerville interceptor were discussed.

Councilman Baumgartner's Report

Councilman Baumgartner announced that there will be a Recreation Committee meeting on Thursday, July 26, 1973 at 8:30 P.M., discussion to center on hiring a full time park director and a Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, July 25, 1973 at 7:30 P.M.

Councilman Pickar's Report

Councilman Pickar in reporting on Lakeside Park noted that the Commission was seeking comments on ways to improve the park.

Councilman Pickar stated that he attended a meeting attended by Ramsey County officials and the Metropolitan Council on how to use surface waters in Ramsey County.

Councilman Pickar inquired from the Engineer when Jackson Drive from County Road I to Pinewood Drive was to be completed. Engineer Bearden responded that the completion date is August 1, 1973.

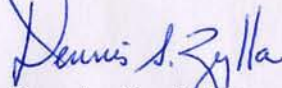
Engineer Bearden's Report

MSP (Johnson-Pickar) To set a bid date to extend water into the Paster Enterprises shopping center development at County Road I and Highway #10 for August 13, 1973 at 12:00 Noon, and to approve the final plans and specifications. (Project 1973-5) 5 Ayes

MSP (Neisen-Johnson) Due to the failure of the State of Minnesota Manpower Department to provide summer youth under the Youth Employment Program, the Council approves the hiring of two to three additional summer part-time youth to work up until September 1, 1973. 5 Ayes

MSP (Baumgartner-Johnson) To adjourn at 9:29 P.M. 5 Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,



Dennis S. Zylla,
Clerk-Administrator

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COUNTY OF RAMSEY

A Special Hearing to consider the revocation of the sewer and water license of Thompson Plumbing was called to order at 7:30 P.M., August 6, 1973.

Present:

Mayor Neisen
Councilman Hodges
Councilman Johnson
Councilman Pickar

Also Present:

Clerk-Administrator Zylla
Inspector Walter Skiba

Absent:

Councilman Baumgartner
Engineer Bearden
Attorney Meyers

Clerk-Administrator Zylla notified the Council that a certified letter was sent to Thompson Plumbing on July 10, 1973 notifying them of the special hearing and Mr. Kenneth Gause, Executive Vice President of Thompson Plumbing was present in the audience.

The Clerk stated that three (3) separate excavations to connect the home at 7760 Greenwood Drive to the municipal sewer and water system were made. On the first excavation, the hole was wet and only the water line was connected. The excavation was then recovered and the crew departed from the area.

The second time the area was excavated, a connection was made to the sanitary sewer but the hole was still partially wet and our inspector, James Schlichtmann refused to approve the connection because he could not see the total pipe. The excavation was then recovered a second time. Our inspector then notified Thompson Plumbing that the inspection was not approved and that the hole would have to be re-excavated. When there was no positive response from Thompson Plumbing for at least two weeks, the staff recommended that the Council proceed with revocation of their license.

On Thursday, August 2nd Thompson Plumbing came out a third time to make the connection. This time the hole was dry and the connection was approved by our inspector Walter Skiba. The homeowner, Mrs. Arlene Peddycoart was present in the audience and she reiterated Clerk Zylla's account of events adding that she had sent a certified letter to Bob Eide of Thompson Plumbing, notifying him to correct this situation by July 6, 1973, or arrangements would have to be made to have another contractor make a satisfactory connection due to the fact that the Village would not approve the excavation. She also said that she spoke to Bob Eide on the telephone following the second excavation. He notified her that he would guarantee the connection for twenty years and it would not be redug by Thompson Plumbing and that he would send someone to talk to the inspector.

The Village staff and the inspector were aware of the conversation that took place between Mrs. Peddycoart and Bob Eide before the recommendation to have a hearing for revocation of their license was requested. No one was sent by Thompson Plumbing to talk to the inspector.

Mr. Gause stated that he does several hundred sewer and water connections every year and his company is of the highest reputation. He never before has had to appear before a Village Council to discuss the revocation of his license. He

noted that the problem was in part due to inexperienced crews and in part due to a lack of communication between Mr. Eide and himself.

He stated that his contracts for sewer and water excavations exclude de-watering and rather than charge the homeowner extra to de-water, he felt that by leaving the sight for two to three weeks the water table would drop. Mr. Gause said he has over twenty years experience in the Mounds View area and is familiar with the water table. Mr. Gause stated that de-watering can run as much as \$1,200.00 a week plus labor.

Walter Skiba stated that Thompson Plumbing has had good crews in the past.

The Council expressed a common feeling that the hearing would have been unnecessary if Thompson Plumbing would have had better internal communication and the courtesy to call back and discuss the situation with our inspector. They also felt that some type of warning should be given to Thompson Plumbing to prevent a reoccurrence.

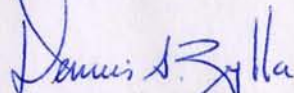
MSP(Neisen-Johnson) To send a letter to Thompson Plumbing notifying them of the proceedings of the revocation hearing and placing Thompson Plumbing's license on a six-month probationary period.

4 Ayes

MSP (Johnson-Pickar) To adjourn the hearing at 8:07 P.M.

4 Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,



Dennis S. Zylla,
Clerk-Administrator

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Councilman Baumgartner
Councilman Johnson
Councilman Pickar

Also Present:

Attorney Meyers
Engineer Bearden
Administrative Sec. Wamhoff

Absent: Clerk-Administrator Zylla

MSP (Hodges-Pickar) To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 23, 1973.

5 Ayes

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To approve the minutes of the special meeting of August 6, 1973.

4 Ayes

Baumgartner Abstained

Mayor Neisen's Report

Mayor Neisen read the police report for July.

Mayor Neisen announced that Clerk-Administrator Zylla had talked with Mr. Dean Anklan of Ramsey County concerning the stop light that is to be installed at County Road I and Quincy Street. Mr. Anklan had stated that the intent of the Board is to pay 50/50. He is in the process of preparing an agreement for Mounds View to pay its share plus 50% of the maintenance costs.

Mayor Neisen stated that 405 letters were sent to persons in the Village who did not have house numbers posted on their homes or businesses as is required in Chapter 47 of the Mounds View Municipal Code. Mayor Neisen commented that considering there were approximately 2,200 homes in the Village, the 405 homes without numbers seemed a small amount.

Mayor Neisen also mentioned that if anyone was interested in going to a meeting the Soil and Water Conservation District would be holding one on August 14 and 16.

The Mayor announced that Clerk-Administrator Zylla was on vacation and that his assistant was present at the Council meeting.

Administrative Secretary Wamhoff's Report

MSP (Baumgartner-Hodges) To approve the following licenses: Asphalt - J. Leon & Tony Yanis; General Contractor - Alandale Builders, Inc., Gilbert Construction Co., James Lund Construction, Miles Garage Co.; Heating - Sassco, Inc., Runyon Plumbing, Home Heating & Air Conditioning, Sewer & Water - Hokanson Plumbing, Inc.; Sign & Billboard - LeRoy Sign, Inc.; Transient Merchant - John L. Washburn to sell potatoes and sweet corn at the intersection of Highway #10 and County Road I.

5 Ayes

MSP (Baumgartner-Hodges) To approve the following bills: General Fund checks #7538 thru #7611, Payroll Account checks #1037 and #1038, Payroll checks #447 thru #481 and transfer check #7612 transferring \$11,382.44 to Payroll Account to pay gross pay of August 15, 1973: From General - \$9,256.36,

from Water - \$1,354.00, from Sewer - \$772.08. Total disbursements amounting to \$76,802.54.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen read Addendum #1 to the Special Use Permit Agreement dated June 26, 1972 from Century Motor Freight, Inc. requesting a name change to Century-Mercury Motor Freight Inc., and asking that they be allowed to construct a 32' x 45' storage building and a 12' x 12' storage tank building.

MSP (Johnson-Hodges) To approve Addendum No. 1-Special Use Permit Agreement authorizing a name change from Century Motor Freight, Inc. to Century-Mercury Motor Freight Inc. and allowing the construction of a 32' x 45' storage building and a 12' x 12' storage tank building and authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk to sign it.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen brought before the Council an application for a Residential Kennel License by Lloyd and Susan Schommer, Jr. which contained signatures of 50% of the affected property owners within 500 feet of their land.

MSP (Neisen-Pickar) To set a hearing for September 10, 1973 at 8:30 P.M. to consider the issuance of a Residential Kennel License to Lloyd and Susan Schommer, Jr.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen read Resolution #610 authorizing the execution of Joint Powers agreement entitled "Joint and Cooperative Agreement, Joint Minnesota Gas Rate Regulatory Board", and designating the Clerk-Administrator as Director. Mayor Neisen then explained to the audience why municipalities having gas service from Northern States Power deem it desirable for Mounds View and other participating communities to establish a Gas Rate Regulatory Board.

MSP (Johnson-Baumgartner) To adopt Resolution #610 authorizing the execution of joint powers agreement entitled "Joint and Cooperative Agreement, Joint Minnesota Gas Rate Regulatory Board", and designating the Clerk-Administrator as Director.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen read a letter from the First State Bank of New Brighton asking that the Village of Mounds View sign a new pledge assignment of securities in lieu of bond by public depositors in the amount of \$250,000 in place of the 200,000 FICB's pledged to the Village of Mounds View which matured on August 1, 1973.

MSP (Hodges-Johnson) To approve the assignment of \$250,000 in securities authorized by the First State Bank of New Brighton and authorizing the treasurer to sign it.

5 Ayes

Councilman Johnson's Report

Councilman Johnson presented a petition signed by 27 people to have two street lights installed between 7701 and 7889 Woodlawn Drive.

MSP (Johnson-Pickar) To notify NSP to install two street lights between 7701 and 7889 Woodlawn Drive.

5 Ayes

Councilman Johnson reported that on Friday, August 3 he had attended a Labor Relations seminar at the Raddison South. During the 1973 legislative session

a stringent law was passed which gives public employees the right to strike. Previously it was illegal for any public employee to strike. A labor negotiator representing the League of Minnesota Municipalities was a member of the panel. Their discussion seemed to indicate that the law should be tightened up some. Councilman Johnson said it was a very informative seminar. He stated that Mounds View has retained the services of a professional negotiator and he believes that we are very fortunate to have Mr. Cy Smythe, who is also a Professor at the University of Minnesota, as our negotiator. Councilman Johnson explained that by using the services of a negotiator from the League of Minnesota Municipalities, the Village is saving quite a lot of money since normally negotiators charge approximately \$50.00 per hour and we are paying a flat fee of \$850.00. Mayor Neisen added that their offices can handle all grievances throughout the year, and that their legal staff are at our disposal to answer any questions we may have.

Mr. Robert Haake, 1740 County Road I, asked at what level public employees can strike. Councilman Johnson answered that according to the 1973 Legislature all public employees can strike, if they are considered non essential.

Mayor Neisen stated that our maintenance men belong to Local #49 and our policemen to Local #320. Mr. Haake then asked if just those public employees belonging to unions could strike. Councilman Johnson answered that technically any public employee could strike even though he did not belong to a union.

The reporter from the New Brighton Bulletin asked how they were going to tighten up the law and Councilman Johnson said that Mr. Smythe hadn't really stated how they planned to accomplish that.

Mayor Neisen said what was needed was a clarification of words as it hasn't yet been established who are the essential employees. Councilman Johnson said that since there is a law stating that all have a right to strike, someone will most likely test the law at sometime in the future and until then we won't really know who are considered essential employees. The New Brighton Bulletin reporter then asked if policemen weren't considered essential. Councilman Johnson replied by saying that very few people knew. As an example he stated that garbage men could be considered non essential in sub zero weather, but would be very essential when the temperature soared.

Councilman Baumgartner's Report

Councilman Baumgartner read the Planning Commission minutes of July 25, 1973. Mayor Neisen stated no action should be taken by the Council on the proposed Korsgaden Addition as we are awaiting a response from the Ramsey County Plat Commission before final approval is given.

MSP (Pickar-Johnson) To approve the subdivision of Lot 60 Spring Lake Park Hillview Addition into 2 lots, one 80' x 231' and one 85' x 231' and a variance of 2.7' for the side yard set back on the existing building.

5 Ayes

Councilman Baumgartner read from the minutes that the Planning Commission had approved the request of 7-11 Stores to build a store on the corner of County Road H2 and Silver Lake Road with reservation for a potential 2400 sq. ft. building instead of the 2000 sq. ft. building as presented with adjusted dimensions as noted on the plans.

Councilman Baumgartner then asked Mrs. Haake about the reservation on the size. She explained that 7-11 could build a 2400 sq. ft. building thereby having room to put in microwave ovens for quick food service.

The Council specified they would much prefer the 2000 sq. ft. building as was presented on the plans, thereby eliminating eating on the premises.

Mr. Dan Coe, representing 7-11 Stores which originate out of Dallas, Texas was present in the audience and answered questions regarding the type and size of store the property would accomodate. He stated that basically the store relies on the sale of staple items such as bread, milk, butter and eggs and on those items they stay very competitive with surrounding supermarkets.

Mayor Neisen asked that plans should be made so that the Village could acquire a greenway easement on the east and south of 15 feet instead of the 10 feet recommended by the planning commission.

Mrs. Haake said there would be room on the south side for a 15 foot easement but not on the east due to parking problems.

Councilman Johnson asked if they realized that the Tom Thumb Store was a block away. Mr. Coe replied yes, but he didn't think it would take business away from either store as they would be on opposite sides of Silver Lake Road. And, with all the new apartment units on County Road H2 he expected the 7-11 Store to be quite busy and would not detract from Tom Thumb's business. Mr. Coe also mentioned that his company is opening about 500 stores a year and 75 or 80 are to be in the Twin Cities area.

Mr. Coe then showed copies of the plan to the Council and in answer to Mr. Johnson's question stated that the stores are not a franchise, but are built and operated solely by 7-11 personnel.

MSP (Neisen-Hodges) To grant issuance of a building permit to 7-11 Stores subject to the one variation that it would be a 2,000 square foot building instead of 2,400 square foot building, subject to the final approval of the building inspector and fire chief with a 10 foot greenway easement for recreational purposes on the east and south. The easement being shown on the deed as a recreational easement.

5 Ayes

Mayor Neisen asked how long it would take to develop and Mr. Coe replied that construction should take place within the next three weeks.

Councilman Baumgartner stated that a Recreation Commission meeting was held July 26, 1973 with two guests being present. Mr. Gerald Hefland, Park and Recreation Director for Shoreview and Mr. Tom Wicklund, Park and Recreation Director for New Brighton were there to discuss their jobs and duties as director. It was found that New Brighton has 235 acres devoted to parks with a population of 22,700 and a projected population of 35,000 and they employ 7 people in their recreation department. Shoreview has 30 acres in parks with a population of 13,800 and a projected population of 35,000 and they employ 2 people in their department. Budgets were also discussed.

Councilman Baumgartner reported that on July 29th he and Clerk-Administrator Zylla had met with Mr. Engelsma of Kraus-Anderson and Mr. Minar about obtaining additional park land. The land is available but at a price. Councilman Baumgartner doubts that any land will be donated.

Councilman Baumgartner

Councilman Baumgartner then presented the Council with a petition which had been presented to the Recreation Commission by Jackie Coplin and held the signatures of eight persons which live near Woodcrest Park. The petition requested a name change of Woodcrest Park to Nelson Memorial Park due to the recent tragedy of the death of the two Nelson boys.

MS (Baumgartner-Johnson) To change the name of Woodcrest Park to Nelson Memorial Park.

Mr. Robert Haake asked to be recognized and proceeded to state just why he was against such a change. He replied that he was not unsympathetic with the tragedy the family had to endure and when he first heard of the plan to change the name, he thought it was a good idea. But, on further thought he had changed his opinion. He believed that it would set a precedent and that the Council would have to face similar situations in the future which would involve the Council in trying to decide who was worthy of such a distinction. The parks had been named for the area in which they were located and he felt it was best to leave them with their original name.

Mrs. Isabelle Willie, 7911 Spring Lake Road agreed with Mr. Haake and suggested that instead of changing the name of the park why not make a memorial in the park such as dedicating a flag pole or some such thing.

Mrs. Betty Wall, 5425 Quincy Street explained how they treated such things at Unity Hospital since she is a hospital board member. A plaque is placed in the chapel as a memorial.

Mayor Neisen said that he had received some calls from people south of the park and they had stated that they were not against it, but they really weren't for it either. Mayor Neisen agreed that possibly some item could be dedicated to the Nelson boys since they had helped alot with the hockey rink in Woodcrest Park.

It was then suggested by Mrs. Haake that possibly the hockey rink could be dedicated to the boys and naming it Nelson Rink.

Mrs. Wall asked if the parents agreed to having the name of the park changed. Councilman Baumgartner stated that the parents had said if there was any opposition to drop the matter.

Councilman Johnson asked for alternatives, and suggestions were those of naming the rink after the boys, dedicating a flag pole or drinking fountain with an engraved plaque attached.

Councilman Baumgartner then withdrew his motion and Councilman Johnson withdrew his second. The issue was tabled until there could be further action agreeable to all.

Councilman Pickar's Report

At the Lakeside Park Commission meeting of July 26th the results of swimming registration were discussed. 283 children had registered for swimming this year. The Commission also voted to tie in with Spring Lake Park High School when looking for a life guard. Councilman Pickar said the price was right as they were doing it free.

Mayor Neisen stated he received some calls on disturbances by groups of young

people at Lakeside Park. The police reported that when they arrived to look into these disturbances only one or two people were at the Park. Councilman Pickar then stated that vandalism is much less this year than in the past.

Councilman Hodges asked if the Lakeside Park Commission had plans for a skating rink at the park this winter. Councilman Pickar said he couldn't say definitely since Spring Lake Park had cut back its funds.

Mrs. Willie asked if it was possible to get more lights at the park since it was so terribly dark. Councilman Pickar said the Commission will study the possibility. ~~the possibility and~~

Councilman Hodges said that he noticed that the fence was broken in places and Councilman Pickar stated that the fence is going to be taken down as it isn't doing much good and that the maintenance on it is too high. They have plans to make a border with some type of hedge.

Mayor Neisen commented on the proposed bike trails and a meeting he had attended with the Ramsey County League of Municipalities on this subject. RCLM is working on a proposal to establish a Ramsey County trail system. With several types of trails being planned in the county cooperative planning among municipalities is needed. Mayor Neisen stated that there are 10 times as many bicycle accidents as all accidents in football, baseball, and hockey put together. Mayor Neisen said that the bike trails would greatly reduce bicycle accidents. He stated that New Brighton has proposed bike trails and Shoreview is making progress in that direction. He felt Mounds View should do some planning in this area.

Engineer Bearden's Report

Engineer Bearden stated that bids for the water main at the new Mounds View Square Shopping Center have been received. Ray Freeman Sewer & Water was the low bidder at \$19,036.72. The engineer suggested that the bids be acknowledged ~~as received~~, but should not be awarded as yet and to table the bids for the time being.

Engineer Bearden stated that the developer, Paster Enterprises has not broken ground, but had been told that subject to approval they hoped to start the 2nd weekend in August.

MSP (Neisen-Pickar) To acknowledge the bids as received and to table them at the present time.

5 Ayes

Engineer Bearden noted that he had received a copy of a letter sent to the Village of Mounds View from the Metropolitan Sewer Board which presented a sewer plan by the City of Blaine and asking for our comments within 14 days. Engineer Bearden saw no reason to respond to the letter as it would not affect Mounds View adversely.

Engineer Bearden also brought to the Council's attention a letter he had received from H & S Asphalt asking that the completion date of August 1, 1973 be extended due to other utilities holding up their progress. Engineer Bearden recommended to the Council that this matter be tabled at this time. The penalty for not completing the project would be for H & S Asphalt to pick up the inspection and engineering costs beyond the August 1 deadline date.

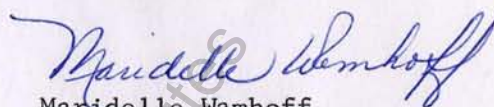
Engineer Bearden said H & S will have to show just cause before an extension should be granted.

5 Ayes

MSP (Baumgartner-Pickar) To adjourn at 9:40 P.M.

5 Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,



Maridelle Wamhoff,
Administrative Secretary

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