

M I N U T E S  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
June 5, 1978

A regular meeting of the Plymouth City Council was called to order by Mayor Hunt at 7:40 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Public Works Building, 14900 Twenty-third Avenue North, Plymouth, Minnesota on June 5, 1978.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Hunt, Councilmembers Hoyt, Neils, Spaeth and Manager Willis, Administrative Assistant Boyles, Assessor Martin Walsh and Appraiser Mike Carroll.

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Seibold.

**BOARD OF REVIEW**

The City Council sitting as the 1978 Board of Review in accordance with Minnesota State Law convened at 7:40 p.m. on June 5, 1978 to review the assessment roll and the revaluation of all real property within the City, to hear those citizens who have questions with respect to their assessments, and to make any adjustments which they feel are warranted, based on their independent review. Mayor Hunt introduced the Council, staff and Deputy Hennepin County Assessor Ray Johnson.

Manager Willis stated that notice of the meeting was published in the City's official newspaper, the Plymouth Post, and notices were also posted within the community. He explained the procedure for the evening's hearing and pointed out that final determinations would not be made tonight, but at a future meeting within the twenty days allotted by law.

Assessor Walsh explained the equalization process, ratio studies and how their application affects properties in Plymouth and Mr. Johnson reviewed the appeal process.

The hearing for the Board of Review was opened at 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Richard Gunderson, 2821 Garfield Avenue South (Plat 44200, Parcel 5440), stated he felt the valuation of his property on 1st Avenue North and Plymouth Road was too high and not comparable to other valuations in the area. He requested review and reappraisal of his property.

**MOTION** was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth, to review his appraisal and its application on the subject property and report back to Council.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Mr. Earl Johnson, 2580 E. Medicine Lake Road (Plat 44340, Parcel 3490), questioned the 50% increase in the market value of his home in 1978 and requested review and reappraisal of his property.

**MOTION** was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Hoyt, to review his appraisal and its application on the subject property and report back to Council.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Mr. Hunt Greene, 17215 County Road 24 (Plat 43710, Parcel 5130), objected to the increase in the market value of his property from \$53,800 in 1976 to \$56,400 in 1977 to \$66,700 in 1978 since his three acre parcel is not dividable and still unimproved. He requested review and reappraisal of his property.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Neils, to review his appraisal and its application on the subject property and report back to Council.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Ms. Jeanne Hammond, 1665 Yuma Lane (Plat 43898, Parcel 2700), claimed some neighboring homes larger than her own had a lower valuation than hers and requested review and reappraisal of her property.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Neils, to review his appraisal and its application on the subject property and report back to Council.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Mr. Michael Goldman, 10325 - 32nd Avenue North (Plat 44351, Parcel 4500), objected to the 30% increase in the market value of his from in 1978 since there have been no improvements made to his home except a garage addition, which he used as a studio, valued at \$3,500. He requested review and reappraisal of his property.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth, to review his appraisal and its application on the subject property and report back to Council.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Mrs. Jill Davis, 1615 Troy Lane (Plat 44583, Parcel 7000), questioned the increase in the valuation of this property since it was unimproved and unbuildable and they were restricted from selling it by a covenant on their deed.

Mayor Hunt replied the Assessor bases his appraisal on the valuation of property in the area and is not aware of or responsible for any covenants on the property. He requested the Assessor to write to Mrs. Davis with an explanation of how he arrived at the current valuation of her property.

Mayor Hunt closed the hearing at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Hunt recessed the Board of Review until 7:30 p.m. on June 2.

Council recessed from 8:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Hoyt, to approve the minutes of the May 22 Special Council meeting as submitted.

Motion carried, three ayes. Councilmember Spaeth abstained.

Council reviewed and concurred in the results of the speed zone study conducted by the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Neils, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 78-319, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCE DIRECTOR TO FORWARD 1977 BUDGET ENCUMBRANCE TO THE 1978 BUDGET.

Motion carried on a Roll Call vote, four ayes.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Neils, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 78-320, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 1977 BUDGET TO AUTHORIZE EXPENDING UP TO \$10,000 TO CONDUCT A SEARCH FOR A POLICE CHIEF.

Motion carried on a Roll Call vote, four ayes.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Spaeth, seconded by Councilmember Hoyt, to accept the recommendation of the Finance Director and authorize him to hire a full-time, permanent meter reader.

Motion carried, four ayes.

Council briefly reviewed the recommendations of the Bassett Creek Flood Control Commission for Medicine Lake Water Quality Management. Mayor Hunt requested the Manager to invite Mr. Richard O'Fallon to review the recommendations with the Council before the meeting on July 10.

Council reviewed the recommendations of the City Manager with respect to the proposed sale of excess City-owned land.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Hoyt, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 78-321, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH THE DISPOSITION OF EXCESS CITY-OWNED LAND AS RECOMMENDED IN HIS MEMORANDUM DATED JUNE 1, 1978.

Motion carried on a Roll Call vote, four ayes.

Council reviewed the Manager's recommendations for additions to the Capital Improvement Program for 1979-1983.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Neils, seconded by Councilmember Spaeth, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 78-322, A RESOLUTION ORDERING PRELIMINARY REPORTS FOR 1979 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS RECOMMENDED IN THE CITY MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM DATED JUNE 2, 1978.

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RESOLUTION NO. 78-322  
ORDERING REPORTS  
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Motion carried on a Roll Call vote, four ayes.

Mayor Hunt requested the Manager to provide Council with a schedule of all preliminary reports that have been ordered for 1978 and when they are expected to be available for Council review.

Councilmember Spaeth asked that Larch Lane be graded once a week to make the road passable while construction is going on. Mayor Hunt directed the Manager to ask the engineers to provide Council with the preliminary engineering report on Larch Lane as soon as possible.

Mayor Hunt requested a meeting between members of the City Council and Mr. Art Lee of Hennepin County be arranged as soon as possible to determine the alignment of County Road 61 at the intersection with County Road 10.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

  
City Clerk