

Mr. DeRoche moved and Mr. Koller seconded to recommend to City Council leaving the Phase 1 Service Road Speed Limit at 30 mph for the entire road.

Mr. Ayshford noted that the Sheriff Department is in favor of increasing the straight sections on Taylor Street to 40 mph. Mr. DeRoche believes because both sides of this street are open for development, the speed limit should remain at 30 mph. Mr. Ayshford said the process is the same for either increasing a speed limit or reducing speed limit. There is no access onto this road to be concerned with traffic entering or exiting.

Motion carried with Mr. Murphy voting no.

6. Road
Commission
Opening

This is an informational item.

Background:

The Road Commission currently has a vacancy for a commission seat after the resignation of Al Thunberg this October. Mr. Thunberg has served on the Road Commission for almost ten years and served as the commission Chair for two terms within that span. He and his wife recently sold their house in East Bethel to move closer to the Twin Cities where they both work. Their house sold rather quickly and because we did not have an October meeting, he had moved out before he could attend another commission meeting.

The open seat will have a term that expires on January 31, 2020. Staff is seeking applications from East Bethel residents with interest in serving on the Road Commission.

There will be a recognition ceremony for Al, Roger, Jeff, and Kathy at the second meeting in January, honoring them with plaques for years of service.

NOTE: There is also an opening on the Planning Commission and may be one on the EDA.

7. Council
Report and
Other Business

City Council liaison, Tom Ronning reported the following:

- City Staff completed negotiations with Don and Brenda Shaw Viking Properties and Al Keller and Rick Petty East Bethel Properties for Viking Preserve 48 single-family residential development. The Developers Agreement is in the final stages of the approval process.
- City Council approved a mural painting on the north-east exterior side of City Hall facing Booster Park by Mr. Glenn Terry at a cost of \$3,000.
- City Council denied renewal of an IUP for Loading Dock Specialists, due to many code violations.
- City Council moved to send a claim against CST in the amount of \$9,704.10 to small claims court. These costs were incurred for legal and engineering costs above the \$1,000 that was in escrow.

- Resolution 2017-57 Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application for up to \$750,000 to MN Dept. of Transportation Local Roads Improvement Program for Central Avenue road improvements passed unanimously.

Mr. Ayshford showed the East Bethel promotional video that was commissioned by the EDA. The City is considering the new tagline of “Rural Character, Metro Accessibility”.

Cedar Creek Eco-system will be bringing in 30-40 young female buffalo to do a study from April 1 – November 1, 2018; new fencing is being installed.

Positive comments have been received on the Phase 1 service road. There are signs posted at the East Bethel movie theater noting the service road is now open for use. There are no plans to install a traffic light to enter onto Viking Blvd.

RCI construction is scheduled to start in 2018 with all construction to be completed in 2019. It is in the design phase now and is not out for bid. More RCI information will be available at the November 30th Town Hall Meeting.

8. Adjourn

Mr. DeRoche moved and Ms. Pierson-Kolodzienski seconded to adjourn at 7:10 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Gessner, Recording Secretary
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