

Supplemental Packet

City of Afton
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Meeting Date June 16, 2020

Council Action Memo

To: Mayor Palmquist and City Council Members
From: Ron Moorse, City Administrator
Date: June 16, 2020
Re: Parks Maintenance Needs and Additional Seasonal Maintenance Staff

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the usage of Town Square Park has increased far beyond the normal level. This is causing the need for additional maintenance of the Town Square Park restrooms, particularly on the weekends, but also during the week. It is also causing the trash bins in the park to be filled to overflowing during the weekend. To address these maintenance needs, three additional trash bins were purchased for the park, and staff is recommending the hiring of an additional seasonal park maintenance worker. The City has received an employment application from Daryl Reilander for the seasonal position. Mr. Reilander is available to work the approximately two hours each morning of the week to clean the restrooms and empty the trash bins. Because the employment application includes confidential information, the Council has received the application separately via email. Ken Johnson, Public Works Supervisor, knows Mr. Reilander and is recommending that he be hired for the position.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion regarding authorizing the hiring of Daryl Reilander for the Seasonal Park Maintenance position at a pay rate of \$15.38 per hour.

From: ward1 <ward1@ci.afton.mn.us>
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:21 PM
To: Ron Moore <rmoorse@ci.afton.mn.us>
Subject: FW: Produced amendments for the ordinance for discharge of firearms, gun ranges, etc.

Hi Ron,

Could you please forward this to the other Council members and mayor for tonight's discussion?

Thank you!
Annie

From: raisedbychickens@gmail.com <raisedbychickens@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 3:09 PM
To: ward1 <ward1@ci.afton.mn.us>
Subject: Produced amendments for the ordinance for discharge of firearms, gun ranges, etc.

Hello Annie,
I just left you voice mail.

I'm a resident of Ward 1 (on 36th St. S.) and want to provide some feedback regarding the "meeting date June 16, 2020 council action memo" dated June 9th.

Overall, I want to thank you for your work on this issue.

I have one piece of input. I would suggest that in the updates to #3 (public nuisance noises), a.1, that you consider the minimum distance from which firearms can be discharged be measured relative to the *nearest property line* of any adjacent parcel, not the *nearest house* on any adjacent parcel.

The current ordinance allows a property owner to discharge firearms next to their property line as long as the person discharging the firearms maintains a minimum distance of 500 feet from any residence or accessory building on a parcel under separate ownership (see Section 14-1, item (g), number 2). That seems odd – I don't see a minimum distance from the property line? Perhaps in at least the updates for the clay pigeons you could think about making sure that people don't discharge the rounds next to their property line, which could interfere with the enjoyment of neighbors who are outside and behind their house, even if the house is at least 1320 feet away.

Thanks,

Val
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