

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

July 21, 2014

Present: Joanne Johnson
Steven Marolt
David Gustafson
Dustin Goutermont
Carlene Perfetto

Lana Fralich, City Administrator
Pete Morris, City Attorney
Kitty Mayo, North Shore Journal
Ken Vogel, Lake County News Chronicle
Dave Johnson, Jack Swanson

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda – Motion by Perfetto, second Goutermont to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda – Motion by Goutermont, second Marolt to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2014 regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Petitions, Requests and Communications

Lake Bank Invitation – The Council reviewed an invitation from Lake Bank for a cruise on the Wenonah on July 28. It will be posted that a quorum of the Council will attend.

Donation to Library – The Council thanked the Wilderness Chapter of the MN Deer Hunters Association for a \$1,000 donation to the Library for the purchase of Ipad tablets.

Thank You, Bay Days Committee – The Council thanked the Bay Days Committee on a successful Bay Days Celebration on July 11-13. The Council also acknowledged the work done by the Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and Public Utilities departments, and the volunteer work done by Jerry LaVigne.

City Administrator

Permit Approval – The Council reviewed a land use application for a gazebo at the Golf Course. It was noted that the cost for this project will be coming from the golf course club. Motion by Marolt, second Goutermont to authorize construction and submission of a land use permit for a gazebo at the Golf Course. MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Part-time Bartender – It was noted that Al Nelson retired on May 30, but because of a need for additional staff, has worked during the Bay Days celebration, and is willing to continue to be employed as a part-time bartender. Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to hire Al Nelson as a part-time bartender, retroactive to July 11, 2014, at a rate of \$16.60 per hour. MOTION CARRIED.

MIAMA Conference – The Parks and Recreation Board recommends sending Mike Guzzo to this conference and training. Motion by Marolt, second Goutermont to approve for Mike Guzzo to attend the MN Ice Arena Manager’s conference in Brainerd on September 3-5 for \$150 plus meals and lodging for \$179.44 per night, plus regular mileage. MOTION CARRIED.

Interim Police Chief Contract – It was noted that the contract with interim Police chief Aaron Johnson expires on this date, but that the new Chief Douglas Frericks will not be starting his position until August 4, and that Johnson is willing to continue as interim Chief until August 4. Motion by Gustafson, second Marolt to approve an interim Chief of Police employment agreement with Aaron Johnson from July 21 to August 4, 2014, at the rate of \$19.39 per hour. MOTION CARRIED.

Teamsters Memorandum of Understanding – The Council reviewed staffing needs within the Police Department and it was noted that if current full-time and part-time officers are not able to cover all shifts in the interim period, the Lake County Sheriff’s Dept. will cover the needed shifts, and bill the City for the costs incurred. Motion by Gustafson, second Marolt to approve a memo of understanding with the Teamsters Union. MOTION CARRIED.

City Attorney – No other business was presented by the attorney.

OLD BUSINESS – No old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

NESC Wellness Grant, Temporary Closing of City Offices – It was noted that the City has received a \$470 grant from the Northeast Service Cooperative to be used for employee health and wellness. It is proposed by the Administrator and Department Heads to have the employees go on a lunch cruise on the Wenonah. This would require the closing the City Offices for a two hour period. Motion by Perfetto, second Gustafson to approve for a temporary closing of City Offices for a luncheon to promote employee health and wellness. MOTION CARRIED.

Claims – Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to approve payment of \$84,864.65 paid claims and \$34,653.14 in unpaid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

The Council thanked Marolt for his many years of service to the community and wished him well in his new endeavors.

Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lance K Beachem

Joanne Johnson, Mayor

Lana Fralich, City Administrator