

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

June 15, 2009

Present: Scott M. Johnson
David Gustafson
Pat Kelley
Steven Marolt
Carlene Perfetto

Lana Fralich, City Administrator
Gerald Morris, City Attorney
Patrick Ramsdell
George Pope

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

Agenda – A Public Works Maintenance Plan was added to new business. Motion by Kelley, second Marolt to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

Consent agenda – Motion by Kelley, second Perfetto to approve the minutes of the June 1 Regular Council meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Petitions, Requests and Communications

A thank you letter was read, from St. Mary's Catholic Church to the Public Works Dept. for snowplowing this winter.

The MN Pollution Control Agency has sent a letter about additional effluent monitoring at the wastewater treatment facility. This information was forwarded to the City Administrator.

A retirement celebration for Wayne Johnson will be held at 5:00p.m. on July 18 at the Reunion Hall.

The ATV Association of MN sent a letter thanking the City for its cooperation during the ATV parade of June 13, which set a world record for the longest ATV parade with 1,632 vehicles participating. The Mayor and Councilors expressed their thanks to the City employees who volunteered their time for this event, and to the Silver Trail Riders Association.

Departments**City Administrator**

Pay Equity – A pay equity report for the City was presented. This report will be submitted to the MN Dept. of Management upon the Council's approval. Pay equity requirements and compliance was discussed. Motion by Kelley, second Perfetto to approve the Pay Equity Implementation Report. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 2009-30 – A grant of \$50,000 for the City has been approved by the Minnesota Legislators to be used to help pay for the clean up of the March 23 ice storm. Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to adopt Resolution 2009-30 authorizing the City of Silver Bay to enter into a grant agreement with the State of Minnesota through the Iron Range Resources Office of the Commissioner for the emergency clean up that was a result of the March 23, 2009 ice storm in the City of Silver Bay, and authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to sign the grant agreement.

Roll call vote:

Member Gustafson – aye

Member Perfetto – aye

Member Kelley – aye

Member Marolt – aye

Mayor Johnson – aye

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED. 5 aye, 0 nay

The City Administrator submitted a proposal regarding the remainder of the work that is needed to clean up the damage left by the ice storm. The Council reviewed the proposal and discussed the timeline of the clean up, and the requirements of the grant. Motion by Kelley, second Marolt to accept the bid from John's Sanitary to remove stumps at \$120 per stump, not to exceed \$20,760; and to purchase trees from Maxwell's Nursery, as laid out in the specifications of the proposal, and not to exceed \$22,490. MOTION CARRIED.

Northshore Tree and Stump Removal will be reviewed at the Special Meeting set for Friday, June 19, 2009 at 6:00pm.

Mary MacDonald Manager contract renewal – The Mary MacDonald Building Management Committee has recommended the renewal of the Manager's contract with Juel Salveson. It was noted that there were no changes to the contract, other than to change the dates. The Council acknowledged the good job that Salveson is doing in this position. Motion by Perfetto, second Gustafson to renew the Mary MacDonald Manager Contract with Juel Salveson. MOTION CARRIED.

City Attorney

Request for Variance – Pat Ramsdell – Ramsdell has submitted a plat to his land that adjoins Mt. Rockwood Road. Ramsdell is requesting two variances in regard to this plat. The first variance is concerning the Public Use Area. City Code 1110.04 states that in any development within the City provide at least 5% of the land to be set aside for public use. The variance requested is to reduce that amount to no land being set aside for public use. The second variance is concerning the Street and Road requirement. City Code 1110.05, Subd 3F states that the center line radius of curvature shall be not less than three-hundred feet. The variance request is to reduce the curve radius on one curve to 150 feet. The Planning and Zoning Commission has reviewed these variances, and

based on reasons that are specified by the City Code, has recommended that these variances be accepted. There was discussion about the property, and about the granting of variances.

Motion by Kelley, second Marolt to approve the variance to reduce that amount being set aside for public use from 5% to no land being set aside for public use. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Marolt, second Kelley to approve the variance to allow that one curve on the road to be reduced to a 150 foot curve radius. MOTION CARRIED.

There was discussion about land development within the City.

Morris summarized what the remainder of the platting process will be.

OLD BUSINESS – No further old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Works Maintenance Plan – There was discussion about implementing a comprehensive Public Works plan that would include the complete replacement of street surfaces and the water / sewer lines that run underneath them. There was discussion about the funding of such a plan. This item was forwarded to the Public Works Commission.

Claims – There was discussion about two items on the list of unpaid claims. Motion by Perfetto, second Gustafson to approve payment of \$19,963.60 paid claims and \$196,041.59 unpaid claims as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Kelley, second Marolt to adjourn at 7:46p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lance K Beachem

Scott M. Johnson, Mayor

Lana Fralich, City Administrator