

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

September 3, 2013

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

Lana Fralich, City Administrator
Pete Morris, City Attorney
Kitty Mayo, Northshore Journal
Dave Johnson, Jack Swanson

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

Agenda – Veteran’s Appreciation Day was added to communications. Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda – Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2013 budget workshop and regular Council meeting, and the August 27 special Council meeting and budget workshop. MOTION CARRIED.

Petitions, Requests and Communications

Veteran’s Appreciation Day – Mayor Johnson reported on the Veteran’s Appreciation Day at the Marina on August 24, and it was noted that 76 Veterans were in attendance.

City Administrator

Water Plant, Wastewater Plant Conversion to Natural Gas – The Council reviewed the estimated costs to install gas lines and convert the water and wastewater plants to natural gas, current prices for propane and natural gas, the monthly usage for the past 2 ½ years, and noted that the return on investment for installation and conversion would be less than 2 years. It was noted that this item is not in the 2013 budget. It was further noted that an easement from Northshore Mining would be needed to bring the natural gas line to the wastewater plant. The Public Utilities Commission recommends converting the water and wastewater plants to natural gas. There was discussion about keeping propane as a secondary heating source. Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to authorize the administrator and attorney to move forward with an easement agreement with Northshore Mining for a natural gas line on their property. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 2013-34 , 2014 Proposed Budget Expenditures – There was discussion about the budget workshops, and the 2014 budget, which is an increase of 3.9% over the previous year. There was discussion about overhead door replacement at the Fire Hall. Motion by Marolt, second Goutermont to adopt Resolution 2013-34, Proposed Fiscal Year 2014 Budget.

Member Marolt – aye
 Member Perfetto – aye
 Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
 Member Gustafson – aye

RESOLUTION 2013- 34 was ADOPTED. 5 aye, 0 nay

The Council thanked the Administrator and Department Heads for their work on the budget.

Resolution 2013-35, Proposed Levy – The Council reviewed the proposed levy, which totals \$1,153,997. Motion by Perfetto, second Gustafson to adopt Resolution 2013-35, the Proposed 2013 collectible 2014 Tax Levy.

Member Marolt – aye
 Member Perfetto – aye
 Mayor Johnson – aye

Member Goutermont – aye
 Member Gustafson – aye

RESOLUTION 2013- 35 was ADOPTED. 5 aye, 0 nay

Truth in Taxation Public Input Meeting – Motion by Perfetto, second Marolt to set the Truth in Taxation hearing at 7:00p.m. on Monday, December 2, 2013, during the regular Council meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

City Attorney – No business was presented by the attorney.

OLD BUSINESS – No old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS – No new business was presented.

Claims – Motion by Marolt, second Goutermont to approve payment of \$86,536.33 in paid claims and \$133,008.95 in unpaid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gustafson, second Perfetto to adjourn at 7:19p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lance K Beachem

Joanne Johnson, Mayor

Lana Fralich, City Administrator