

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

Monday, September 9, 2020

Present: Mayor Scott Johnson
Carlene Perfetto
Dustin Goutermont
Richard DeRosier
Shane Hoff

Lana Fralich – City Administrator
Timothy Costley – City Attorney

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

Agenda – Motion by Goutermont, second DeRosier to approve the agenda with the addition of the June 2020 Treasurer's Report and Resolution 2020-#43. MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda – Motion by Hoff, second Perfetto to approve minutes from the August 3, 2020 Budget Workshop, the August 3, 2020 Regular Council meeting, and the June 2020 Treasurer's Report. MOTION CARRIED.

Petitions, Requests and Communications

Lake County Small Business Relief Funding: Lake County has allocated a portion of the 2020 CARES Act funding to helping aid small businesses due to the pandemic. Council reviewed the grant guidelines. An email has been sent to all businesses in Silver Bay. The City encourages businesses to apply.

Lake County Tax Forfeited Parcels: The City is in receipt of a letter from the Lake County Board of Commissioners relating to tax forfeited properties. There are three parcels in Silver Bay being added to this list, 59 Burk Drive, 35 Field Road, and 11 Carter Lane. The Council will have to determine if they wish to acquire any of these properties. There was no action.

City Administrator

Retirement of Street Superintendent, James (Swede) Larson: James Larson submitted his letter of resignation from the Street Superintendent position with a retirement date of December 4, 2020. Motion Perfetto, second DeRosier to accept the resignation of James Larson. The Council thanks him for his 30 years of service. MOTION CARRIED.

Street Superintendent Job Description and Advertisement: This topic is tabled until documents have been revised for approval.

Resolution 2020-#41 General Election Judges: Due to COVID-19 and/or conflicts in schedules, some of the election judges have opted out of participating as an election judge initiating a revision to the election judge list for the November General Election. We are still in need of additional judges. Motion by DeRosier, second Goutermont to adopt Resolution 2020-#41 General Election Judges as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson - Aye
 Member Perfetto - Aye
 Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont - Aye
 Member DeRosier - Aye

RESOLUTION 2020 - 41 WAS ADOPTED: 5 aye, 0 nay, 0 excused

Resolution 2020-#42 Election Funding from CARES Act: Lake County has received CARES Act funding that they are providing an allocation to the City in the amount of \$1,313.17. The funding is to be used for additional costs related to the pandemic. Motion by Perfetto, second Hoff to adopt Resolution 2020-#42 Election Funding from CARES Act as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson - Aye
 Member Perfetto - Aye
 Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont - Aye
 Member DeRosier - Aye

RESOLUTION 2020 - 42 WAS ADOPTED: 5 aye, 0 nay, 0 excused

Resolution 2020-#43 Cooperative Agreement Renewal with the State of MN, Department of Veteran's Affairs, for the Silver Bay Veteran's Home: The State of Minnesota, through its Department of Veteran's Affairs developed a cooperative agreement for the use of available Silver Bay owned facilities on a temporary basis during an emergency need. Motion by DeRosier, second Hoff to adopt Resolution 2020-#43 Cooperative Agreement Renewal with the State of Minnesota, Department of Veteran's Affairs, for the Silver Bay Veteran's Home as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson - Aye
 Member Perfetto - Aye
 Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont - Aye
 Member DeRosier - Aye

RESOLUTION 2020 - 43 WAS ADOPTED: 5 aye, 0 nay, 0 excused

City Attorney

Lodging Tax: The Lake County Board of Commissioners approved a lodging tax of 4% to take effect on October 1, 2020. Council reviewed the Lake County minutes and information related to local lodging taxes in Minnesota. Fralich reported she has reached out to the State of Minnesota for guidance and clarity on the use of the City's 3% tax to determine if there could be other uses for the funds relating to tourism amenities, special legislation, or other options and is awaiting response. There was further discussion relating to Lake County's intention to have the new County Lodging tax replace the existing cities lodging tax, not being able reenact the 3% lodging tax once it is eliminated due to the new language of the Lake County Lodging Tax, that this is a tax on tourists not residents, that the Silver Bay Area Tourism Association is the current recipient of the lodging tax revenues, and that Cook County administers the tax revenue on behalf of the City. The Council will need to provide direction either to make an amendment to the current City Code relating to a change or cancellation of the 3% city lodging tax, or keep the lodging tax in place knowing there will be a total of 7% for the combination of City and County lodging tax beginning October 1st for entities in Silver Bay. The Council tabled this topic until more information on potential other tourism uses for the City's 3% lodging tax with the understanding that tabling

this topic will result in the lodging tax imposed on tourists visiting Silver Bay will be 7% beginning October 1st, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS

City Logo: Council reviewed the new proposed City logo with two color scheme options. Motion DeRosier, second Perfetto to approve the new City logo with the blue and silver color schemes that resembles our community/school. Council thanks Megan Timm and Lisa Hoff, with Shoring Up Business and Silver Bay Area Tourism Association for their help with the new logo. MOTION CARRIED.

Library Director Retirement: Due to the delay in the pre-employment physical for the hiring process of the new Library Director, Julie Billings is willing to delay her retirement date to October 19, 2020 to allow for the training originally planned. She is requesting the Council accept her new retirement date of October 19, 2020. Motion Perfetto, second Hoff accept Julie Billings revised retirement date of October 19, 2020 as presented. Council thanks Julie for extending her retirement date to allow for training. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 2020-#31 IRRRB Grant Agreement: This Resolution was brought forth with the anticipation that the request for funding for the daycare center was going to be \$100,000. The actual award was \$225,000, which was determined after the initial approval to submit application to the IRRRB. Motion by Perfetto, second Goutermont to amend Resolution 2020-#31 IRRRB Grant Agreement as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson - Aye
Member Perfetto - Aye
Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont - Aye
Member DeRosier - Aye

RESOLUTION 2020 - 31 WAS ADOPTED: 5 aye, 0 nay, 0 excused

NEW BUSINESS

Board Appointment: Ben Bautch has submitted application to serve in the vacant position on both the Parks and Recreation Board and the Public Works Commission. Motion Hoff, second Perfetto, to appoint Ben Bautch to the Parks and Recreation Board and the Public Works Commission. MOTION CARRIED.

Claims: Motion by Goutermont, second Perfetto, to approve payment of \$418,273.68 in unpaid claims and \$392,456.06 in paid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Perfetto, second Hoff to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lindsey Klemmer



Scott M Johnson, Mayor

Attest: 

Lana Fralich, City Administrator