

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

Monday, June 5, 2023

Present: Mayor Wade LeBlanc
Ben Bautch
Shane Hoff

Absent: Richard DeRosier
Dustin Goutermont

Tim Costley, City Attorney
Carolyn Hudyma
Rick Evans, Northshore Journal via ZOOM

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

Agenda – Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to approve the Agenda with IRRRB Support Letter-EV Chargers and updated unpaid claims additions. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consent Agenda – Motion by Hoff, second Bautch to approve the meeting minutes from the May 15, 2023 Short-Term Rental and Zoning Map Public Hearings, May 15, 2023 Regular Meeting, May 17, 2023 Special Council Airport Meeting, May 25, 2023 Special Council Meeting, and March 2023 Treasurer's Report. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Petitions, Requests, and Communications –

Senator Hauschild Correspondence- Council reviewed an email from Senator Hauschild regarding funding secured during 2023 Legislative session. Local Government Aid-Silver Bay \$633,385 (\$58,960 increase) and Silver Bay Public Safety Aid of \$81,482. Also secured was \$1.97 million from LCCMR for construction of the Silver Bay Trailhead along with a special appropriation for \$400,000 for the Silver Bay Trailhead construction.

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics- The annual Torch Run for Special Olympics is being held on June 19th at the Lakeview Park in Two Harbors. Registration begins at 5:00 p.m. with the run starting at 5:30 p.m. Personnel from Silver Bay, Two Harbors, and Lake County law enforcement are coordinating the event. Hats and t-shirts are available for purchase at the police station.

IRRRB Support Letter-EV Chargers- Council reviewed a sample letter of support from IRRRB they are requesting for their application to obtain Federal Funding for EV chargers in local communities. Consensus of council is to draft letter of support.

City Administrator –

Resolution 2023-#30- Bonding Request for Citywide Street and Utility Improvement Gap Funding- The City Engineer has completed an updated financial estimate, which is now \$58 million and includes full reconstruction of all city streets, sidewalks, stormwater, and utilities. David Drown is creating the public financing portion of the project. The City's Capital Bonding request must be submitted by June 16th. Motion by Hoff, second Bautch to adopt Resolution 2023-#30 Bonding Request for Citywide Street and Utility Improvement Gap Funding. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mayor LeBlanc – Aye
 Member Bautch – Aye
 Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont – Absent
 Member DeRosier – Absent

RESOLUTION 2023 - 30 WAS ADOPTED: 3 aye, 0 nay, 2 excused

Resolution 2023-#31 Mutual Aid Agreement with St. Louis County Sheriff's Office- The previous Mutual Aid Agreement with St. Louis County Sheriff's Office has been updated to reflect the new staffing at both entities. Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to adopt Resolution 2023-#31 Mutual Aid Agreement with St. Louis County Sheriff's Office. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor LeBlanc – Aye
 Member Bautch – Aye
 Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont – Absent
 Member DeRosier – Absent

RESOLUTION 2023 - 31 WAS ADOPTED: 3 aye, 0 nay, 2 excused

Boathouse Bay Advertisement for Bid- JPJ has submitted advertisement for bids and a new set of plans for bidding. The City Engineer is reviewing the plans and making recommended changes before the bid opening June 13th at 11:00 a.m. Council noted the advertisement for bids and the public opening.

Summer Hires- Motion by Bautch, second LeBlanc to accept the hiring of Hope Ernest and Braylen Hoff as Park and Rec program aides (\$13.00), pending background check. MOTION CARRIED, with Hoff abstaining.

Special Event Bartender- Motion Hoff, second Bautch to accept the hiring of Natalie Nelson as a Part-time Special Event Bartender at 80% of PT Bartender wage, pending background check. Start date will be determined by Liquor Store Manager. MOTION CARRIED.

Marina Slip Refund- Justin Lynch requested a refund of his Marina slip fee dated May 29th 2023. Per City policy, 75% is refundable by May 31st. Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to approve refund of \$1,035.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Juneteenth Holiday (June 19th)- June 19th is now a federal holiday, no public business can be conducted in observance of the holiday, which was passed by the MN Legislature for 2023. Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to recognize the new holiday as a paid holiday for employees and change regular City Council meeting to Tuesday, June 20th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Meet with the Mayor will also be changed to June 20th, 4:00-5:00 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Police Training-TASER- Motion by Hoff, second Bautch for Chief Ernest to attend TASER Energy Weapon Instructor Course on June 22nd, 2023 in Breckenridge. The cost of the training is \$495 with normal meals and mileage expenses paid. There will be no hotel expenses. MOTION CARRIED.

Police Training-Street Cop- Chief Ernest is recommending Officer Schubert attend Street Cop Training for Identifying Criminal Vehicles and Occupants. This is an online course for \$225, no hotels, meals or mileage expenses. Motion by Hoff, second Bautch to approve training for Officer Schubert. MOTION CARRIED.

City Attorney – Nothing at this time.

OLD BUSINESS – None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS –

Economic Interest Disclosure Policy- Council reviewed the Economic Interest Disclosure Policy as drafted by City Attorney. Discussion followed on LCCMR funding for the Trailhead Project requiring all projects to have a conflict-of-interest policy. This policy would be required for all elected officials to declare any economic interests annually. Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to approve the new Economic Interest Disclosure Policy for the City. MOTION CARRIED.

Claims – Motion by Bautch, second Hoff to approve payment of \$71,546.46 in unpaid claims with additional unpaid Neighborhood Revitalization Grants for Jason Kais-\$408.00, Vickie & Donald Thompson-\$500.00, Kirk & Suzanne Wallace-\$500.00, and Katie Foshay-\$500.00 for a total of \$73,454.46 in unpaid claims and \$340,049.06 in paid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor LeBlanc – Aye
Member Bautch – Aye
Member Hoff – Aye

Member Goutermont – Absent
Member DeRosier – Absent

Motion by Hoff, second Bautch to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lisa Christenson

Attest:



Wade LeBlanc, Mayor



Lana Fralich, City Administrator