

## CITY COUNCIL

7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Present: Mayor Wade LeBlanc  
Richard DeRosier  
Ben Bautch

Excused: Shane Hoff  
Dustin Goutermont

Lana Fralich, City Administrator  
Troy LeBlanc – left at 7:05 p.m.  
Rick Evans, Northshore Journal  
June Talus  
Ruth Koepke  
Marcia Oates  
Chuckie Knudson  
Carolyn Hudyma  
Jen & Odin Hansen

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

**Agenda** – Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to approve the Agenda with addition of Liquor Manager Training and Rocky Wall Production License Renewal and removal of State Cannabis Licensing. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Consent Agenda** – Motion by Bautch, second DeRosier to approve the meeting minutes from the February 5, 2024 Public Hearing and February 5, 2024 Regular Meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Petitions, Requests, and Communications** –

**Public Comments-** None at this time.

**Troy LeBlanc- Snow Day Event-** Troy LeBlanc on behalf of the “Snow Days in the Bay” committee is requesting permission to use city property for a city-wide event on March 9<sup>th</sup>. The event includes vintage snowmobile ride, vendor/craft booths, snowman contest, sled dog rides, sledding at Golf Course, beanbag/cribbage tournaments and dance. The committee has obtained event insurance and will provide to the City. Discussion regarding lack of snow and use of Northshore Mining snow machines. Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to have City Attorney draft the licensing agreement. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**City Administrator** –

**Advertisement for 2024 Campground Host-** Parks and Recreation Board is recommending to advertise for campground host. Motion DeRosier, second Bautch to begin advertising. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Surplus-Excess Property – 2012 Kubota Diesel Lawn Mower-** The Public Works Committee is recommending the 2012 Kubota which be considered surplus of excess property and has a trade-in value of \$4000. Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to declare the asset Surplus of Excess Property and authorize trade in against the new mower that the City plans to purchase. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Police Training- Caleb Fischer-** Chief Ernest is recommending Officer Caleb Fischer attend the AR15/M16 Armorer Course on April 2-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 in Grand Rapids, MN. The cost of the training is \$450, plus two nights hotel at \$100 per night+ tax/fees, meals, and mileage. Motion by Bautch, second DeRosier to approve training for Caleb Fischer. MOTION CARRIED.

**Liquor Manager Training – Han Taylor-** Liquor Store manager Taylor is requesting to attend the Minnesota Municipal Beverage Association Annual Conference, April 20- 23<sup>rd</sup> in Alexandria, MN. The cost of training is \$759 and includes lodging and meals. Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to approve training for Han Taylor at a cost of \$759 plus mileage. MOTION CARRIED.

**Rocky Wall Productions License Renewal-** Rocky Wall Productions is requesting license renewal to use City Property for music in the park again this year, there are no changes noted. Motion by Bautch, second DeRosier to renew. MOTION CARRIED.

City Attorney –

**State Cannabis Licensing-** Tabled until future meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS –

**Mary MacDonald Property Option for Housing Development-** The EDA, Planning & Zoning, and Mary Mac Committees are recommending a portion of the Mary Mac property be used as an alternate site for potential housing development. The Mary MacDonald building and ballfield would remain, with zoning details needing review. Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to accept the recommendation from the Board and allow the Economic Development Director to consider a portion of the Mary MacDonald property as an alternative site for housing development. MOTION CARRIED.

Claims – Motion by Bautch, second DeRosier to approve payment of \$56,962.71 in unpaid claims and \$393,903.841 in paid claims. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Member Goutermont – Absent  
Member DeRosier – Aye

Motion by DeRosier, second Bautch to adjourn at 7:11 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lisa Christenson

Attest:



Wade LeBlanc, Mayor



Lana Fralich, City Administrator