

**CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING**

7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Present: Mayor Wade LeBlanc  
Richard DeRosier  
Ben Bautch  
Shane Hoff  
James FitzGerald

Lana Fralich, City Administrator  
Tim Costley, City Attorney  
Cole Ernest, Chief of Police via ZOOM  
Brian Guldán, Bolton & Menk via ZOOM  
Micaiah Schubert, Silver Bay Police Dept.  
Kitty Mayo, Lake County Press via ZOOM  
Rick Evans, Northshore Journal  
June Talus                      Alex Burcum  
Ron Bautch                      Erica Jensen  
Wendy Jensen                      John Anderson, Sawtooth 16, LLC

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

Mayor LeBlanc described the purpose for the hearing is to obtain comments regarding the Proposed City Code chapter 13 Franchises code amendment and Ordinance 13-01U MN Power Franchise Agreement.

Mayor LeBlanc explained that the Council will open the hearing up for public comments, take comments, and then adjourn the Public Hearing. The Regular meeting will immediately follow the Public Hearing at which time the City Council will accept, deny, or table the adoption of the City Code Chapter 13 Franchises code amendment and Ordinance 13-01U MN Power Franchise Agreement.

City Attorney Costley reviewed proposed changes to streamline the existing Chapter 13 Franchises code, which grants franchises in the City of Silver Bay. The Ordinance 13-01U MN Power Agreement is an uncoded ordinance and will not be part of Chapter 13. The updated ordinance reflects an increase to \$5.00/month per service, as approved at previous council meeting, and will be a 20-year contract which can be amended when needed, via fee schedule. Council was cautioned any fee increase is passed directly to the consumer.

Mayor LeBlanc asked for public comments.

Ron Bautch confirmed the franchise fees are placed in the 406 Street fund.

Mayor LeBlanc asked again for public comments. There were none.

Mayor LeBlanc called for a final time any other comments. Hearing none he requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Motion by Bautch, second FitzGerald to adjourn the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lisa Christenson

Attest:

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Wade LeBlanc, Mayor

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Lana Fralich, City Administrator