

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Carlson, Lamb, Swanson, Kolodge, Wilkinson, Mayor Maki

Councilors Absent: Langley

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Swanson seconded the motion to approve the December 15, 2020 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

MINUTES

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of December 1, 2020 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kevin Dupuis, FDL Board Chairman, stated he does not support combining the Ward 5-2 polling location currently at FDL Headstart with Ward 4 at the Armory or with Ward 5-1 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Mr. Dupuis offered assistance with securing election judges for this location for future elections if the City continues to have difficulty staffing.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Lamb seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of December 15, 2020, approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

- a. Resolution No. 20-91, Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. Approval of 2021 City Council Meeting Calendar
- c. Resolution No. 20-90, Approving 2021 Fee Schedule
- d. Liability Coverage Torte Waiver Consideration
- e. Approval of the MHFA MN City Participation Program
- f. Pine Valley Area Change Order No. 1
- g. Resolution No. 20-96, Approving the State of MN Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Cloquet; Resolution No. 20-97, Approving the State of MN Court Data Services Subscriber Amendment

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

IDENTIFYING 2021 POLLING SITES

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Swanson seconded the motion to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 20-95, OPTION 3, IDENTIFYING POLLING SITES FOR 2021.** The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

APPROVAL OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 320 LABOR AGREEMENT

MOTION: Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve the three-year Labor Agreement between the Teamsters Local Union No. 320 and the City and authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to execute such Agreement. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

APPROVAL OF AFSCME LOCAL UNION NO. 545 LABOR AGREEMENT

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to approve the three- year Labor Agreement between AFSCME Local Union No. 545 and the City and authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to execute such Agreement. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

APPROVAL OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 346 LABOR AGREEMENT

MOTION: Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve the three-year Labor Agreement between the Teamsters Local Union NO. 346 and the City and authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to execute such agreement. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

2021 NON-UNION EMPLOYEE PAY PLAN

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve a 3% wage increase to the non-union Pay Plan effective January 1, 2021. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

2020 PAY EQUITY IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

MOTION: Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the 2020 Pay Equity Implementation Report and authorize staff to submit this report to the state. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

ORDINANCE NO. 493A – AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 6.11.05, FEE SCHEDULE FOR PAWN BROKERS – FIRST READING

City Administrator Peterson explained this will be a first reading of Ordinance No. 493A, Amending City Code Chapter 6.11.05, Fee Schedule for Pawn Brokers. The code amendment and background were provided by Chief Randall. A second reading and Council action will take place at the January 5, 2021 Council meeting.

The City Council of the City of Cloquet does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 6.11.05, Fees, Subdivision. 4, Billable Transaction License Fee is amended to read as follows:

(1) The billable transaction license fee shall be reviewed and determined by the City Council annually and updated within the Annual Fee Schedule.

(2) The billable transaction license fee shall be reviewed and adjusted as necessary. Licensees shall be notified in writing thirty (30) days before any adjustment is implemented. The billable transaction fee for modem transactions shall not exceed the billable transaction fee for manual transactions.

(3) Billable transaction fees shall be automatically remitted monthly and are due and payable within thirty (30) days. Failure to do so is a violation of this chapter.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after passage and publication by the law, retroactively to January 1, 2020.

CARLTON COUNTY PLAN APPROVAL – UNIVERSITY ROAD CSAH 5

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 20-93, APPROVING PLANS FOR CARLTON COUNTY PROJECT NO. (SAP) 009-605-029 ALONG UNIVERSITY ROAD (CSAH 5)**. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

WHEREAS, plans for Carlton County Project No. (SAP) 009-605-029 showing proposed improvement of County State-Aid Highway No. 5 within the limits of the City of Cloquet as a State Aid Project have been prepared and presented to the City of Cloquet.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOQUET, MINNESOTA,

That said plans are hereby approved.

SPRING LAKE ROAD RESERVOIR – ROUND RESERVOIR REHAB

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to authorize the design bidding and construction services with SEH in the amount of \$10,900 for Spring Lake Road Reservoir, Round Reservoir Rehab. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERLINE – RESERVOIR DESIGN SERVICES

MOTION: Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to authorize an agreement for design services with KLM Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$22,000 for Lake Superior Waterline – Reservoir Design Services. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENT DISCUSSION

City Administrator Peterson explained there are more applications than vacancies for the Parks Commission for 2021 and requested Council feedback whether to reappoint those that are currently hold those seats and have applied or interview all applicants before appointing. Councilors agreed they would like to meet and talk with the applicants before appointing.

COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES

Councilor Swanson acknowledged the holiday lights put up around Cloquet and thanked the Street and Parks Department for their work.

CLOSED SESSION

City Administrator Peterson announced that the City Council will adjourn into a closed meeting as permitted under M.S. 13D.05, Subd. 1(d) and 3(a) for the purpose of discussing the City Administrator's performance evaluation.

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to close the regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously (6-0). The time is 7:53 p.m.

MOTION: Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to adjourn the closed session. The motion carried unanimously (6-0). The time is 9:12 p.m.

On a motion duly carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call, the Council adjourned.

Tim Peterson, City Administrator