CLOQUET CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

Present:

Bailey, Bjerkness, Kolodge, Langley, Maki, Rock, Mayor Hallback

Absent:

None

Staff:

Reeves, Barclay, Klassen, C. Peterson, J. Palmer

Other:

J. Lund, Pine Journal; SEH Representatives D. Hinzman, C. Larson

Citizens Advisory Board Interviews

The Council interviewed applicants for the Citizen's Advisory Board vacancy. Those interviewed included S. Woollett, B. Wyman, P. Petite, and L. Ketola. Discussion of appointment followed the interviews. The Council will make a motion and vote on appointment at the Regular Meeting.

Water Treatment Plant Discussion

City Engineer Peterson gave an update on the Well #8 water treatment plant project. Dan Hinzman and Chris Larson from SEH were also present. Mr. Larson explained the primary reason for the water treatment plant is due to the large amount of manganese detected at Well #8.

- Mr. Larson reviewed the plan sheets and layout for the filter plant.
- Mr. Peterson further explained that there are 5 water sources for the city, Well #8 being one of them.
- Council members questioned the level of maintenance that the filter plant will require.
 Mr. Peterson explained it would be approximately 2 hours per day for regular checks but the plant will mainly be controlled by computers and there is no need for added staff.
- Conversation took place on the funding of the plant.
- Mr. Larson reviewed the tentative schedule for the project with completion in the fall of 2019.

City Hall Summer Hours

Mr. Reeves requested the Council consider summer hours for City Hall. Hours of operation would be Monday through Thursday 7:30-5:00 and Friday 7:30-11:30, Memorial Day to Labor Day. City Hall has never had summer hours and staff would like to try implementing the new hours. Mr. Reeves then explained the multiple payment options that are available to pay utility bills. Notification of the change in hours will be through the Pine Journal, the City's website, postings on City Hall doors, and in utility billing statements. Staff will track any complaints received and if appears the hours aren't suitable, Council would then reconsider.

After some questions by the Council, it was agreed to test summer hours.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Reeves
City Administrator