

Cloquet City Hall Council Chambers  
6:00 P.M. May 2, 2023

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Carlson, Lamb, Keller, Jaakola, Wilkinson

Councilors Absent: Kolodge, Mayor Maki

Pledge of Allegiance

**AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to approve the May 2, 2023 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

**MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Councilor Keller moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of April 18, 2023 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of May 2, 2023 approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- a. Resolution No. 23-21, Authorizing the Payment of Bills and Payroll
- b. Resolution No. 23-22, Approving Registered Land Survey No. 19 for Journey Church
- c. Approve Peddlers, Solicitors & Transient Merchant License – Carlton County Farmers Market

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were none.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Mayor's Proclamation – Arbor Day
- Committee for National Night Out representative Dawn Zeleznikar addressed Council requesting support and acknowledgment of the committee and to extend an invitation to take part in the events planned at Veterans Park on August 1, 2023. Donations are being accepted through Good Hope Church or Cloquet Eagles.

- Cloquet Library Board member Don Walsh gave an update on how the library is being used and the services offered since the completed expansion. The library offers over 100 programs for all ages, curbside pickup, cooking and computer classes, story-time, family game night, and much more. All program expenses are funded by the Library Foundation and Friends of the Library. There were 55,000 visitors to the library in 2022. Visit [www.Cloquetlibrary.org](http://www.Cloquetlibrary.org) to see the full schedule and list of activities.
- CAFD Fire Chief Jesse Buhs was present to explain the history of the CAFD and talk about what is new and developing with the district. Buhs explained how they operate as a regional organization vs municipal by consolidating four fire departments into one allowing them to be more efficient. Free programs and education are offered to the public such as home safety programs (smoke and carbon monoxide detectors) and car seat clinics. He also explained the fire district model and special taxing district challenges. Buhs briefly touched on the existing building's challenges and limitations and how they are addressing them.

### **CLOQUET CLEAN UP EVENT 2023**

The city is collaborating with Boldt Construction to host a Cloquet Clean Up event on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers will meet at the Dunlap Island picnic shelter where they will be assigned a clean up zone along the riverfront. B&B will be providing free food to the volunteers after clean-up.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES**

City Administrator Peterson stated an RFP has been advertised for a company to do curbside brush and storm debris pick-up throughout the city that is left from the winter storms. RFPs are due on May 12<sup>th</sup> with a potential contract for Council approval on the May 16<sup>th</sup> agenda. The city shed is currently open during normal business hours for people to bring brush.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Tim Peterson, City Administrator