

Cloquet City Hall Council Chambers
6:00 P.M. June 20, 2023

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Carlson, Kolodge, Jaakola, Wilkinson, Mayor Maki

Councilors Absent: Lamb, Keller

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Jaakola moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to approve the June 20, 2023 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

MINUTES

MOTION: Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 6, 2023 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph Mayasich, 504 Linda Lane, addressed Council regarding group home parking at 1101 Slate Street. Mr. Mayasich voiced his concern over staff parking on the street at the June 6th City Council meeting and is following up on his concerns. City Administrator Peterson indicated that although it is not illegal to park on the street when the winter parking ordinance is not in effect, he will reach out to the owners of the group home.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of June 20, 2023 approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- a. Resolution No. 23-30, Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. Resolution No. 23-31, Approve Site Plan for SKB Environmental
- c. Resolution No. 23-32, A Resolution Approving the Purchase of a Vacant Single-Family Residential Lot at 333-20th Street from Sherman Inc. for the Development of Housing
- d. Approve Peddlers, Solicitors & Transient Merchants License – Generous Jerry’s Fireworks

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

NORTHWOODS ARENA ICE PLANT REPAIR

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to authorize the proposal from Commercial Refrigeration for Northwoods Arena ice system repairs in the amount of \$51,441.00. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

APPROVE POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to approve the probationary appointment of Jacob Bubb to the position of Police Officer. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

GFOA CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The City has received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for 2020-2021. Finance Director Katie Bloom explained the lengthy process it takes to achieve this award. Administrator Peterson stated this award is not easily achieved and is a continuation of excellence by former Finance Director Nancy Klassen.

COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES

Administrator Peterson gave information on two capital projects that may be of interest to submit for capital bonding in 2024. He explained the lengthy process of submitting the applications and the potential of not receiving the funding.

The two projects worth trying to get funding are a new public works facility and a redesign or repurpose of the St. Louis pedestrian bridge. Peterson provided cost breakouts and options for both projects. The public works facility is a \$15 million project that would be done in phases. Requested funding would be \$7.5 million. The pedestrian bridge is a \$2 million project and the requested amount would be \$1 million. There are also several grant opportunities for the bridge that will be sought after.

Mr. Peterson would like consensus from the Council to submit for bonding for one or both projects, if any. Councilors agreed the city should try to get funding for both projects.

Public Works Director Caleb Peterson stated that brush pick-up is close to being complete. If residents have brush that was placed for pick up but was not, call City Hall and it will be picked up by June 30th.

Councilor Wilkinson reminded that the next City Council meeting is July 18th.

ADJOURNMENT

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



Tim Peterson, City Administrator