

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Bailey, Bjerkness, Kolodge, Langley, Maki, Rock, Mayor Hallback

Councilors Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance

### AGENDA

**MOTION:** Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Langley seconded the motion to approve the January 17, 2017 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### MINUTES

**MOTION:** Councilor Bailey moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of January 3, 2017. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### CONSENT AGENDA

**MOTION:** Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to adopt the consent agenda of January 17, 2017 approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

- a. Resolution No. 17-05, Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. 2017 Business License Renewal

### PUBLIC HEARING

There were none.

### PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

### RETAIL TOBACCO LICENSE SUSPENSION – SUNNYSIDE LIQUOR

**MOTION:** Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Bjerkness seconded the motion to suspend the retail tobacco license at Sunnyside Liquor for ten (10) days effective upon proper notice being provided to the business owner. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

**MOTION:** Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Bailey seconded the motion to approve the lease of two (2) 2017 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicles through the Minnesota Department of Administration Fleet and Surplus Service at the state bid price of \$49,861.44, and to complete the purchase and installation of equipment in the vehicles through Emergency Automotive Technologies, Inc., up to the approved amount of \$36,138.56. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### HIGHWAY 33 & CLOQUET AVENUE COMMUNITY SIGN

**MOTION:** Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-04, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CLOQUET PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO MAINTAIN A MUNICIPAL IDENTIFICATION SIGN ON MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG NORTHBOUND HIGHWAY 33.** The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**WHEREAS,** The City of Cloquet previously constructed a Municipal Identification Sign on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right-of-Way along northbound Highway 33 at the intersection with Cloquet Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, The City requests to maintain the existing Municipal Identification Sign on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right-of-Way, as per this Resolution's adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Cloquet requests the existing Municipal Identification Sign be grandfathered from current Minnesota Department of Transportation requirements and specifications as it was installed 20 years previously; and

**WHEREAS**, Authorization of this Resolution will be forwarded to the proper parties of the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for review and approval of the existing sign; and

**WHEREAS**, The City Engineer has reviewed and recommended authorizing the Public Works Department to maintain the existing Municipal Identification Sign.

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

That all previously written and unwritten documents are hereby superseded and that this resolution shall become effective on the day it is adopted.

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO BID 2017 BITUMINOUS OVERLAY PROJECT**

**MOTION:** Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Langley seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-06, APPROVING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE PLANNED 2017 BITUMINOUS OVERLAY PROJECT.** The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**WHEREAS**, The City has identified maintaining its street infrastructure is a priority; and

**WHEREAS**, The Streets contained in the proposed 2017 Bituminous Overlay are in need of maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, Mill and Overlay has been determined to be the best maintenance strategy to preserve the pavement and extend the service life of the pavement; and

**WHEREAS**, it is most cost effective to complete all other ancillary concrete repairs along with the pavement repair; and

**WHEREAS**, The City now wishes to proceed with these improvements.

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

1. Such plans and specifications are hereby approved.
2. The City Engineer is hereby authorized to advertise and solicit bids for such improvements.

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO BID PINE VALLEY SINGLE TRACK MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL PROJECT**

**MOTION:** Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Rock seconded to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-07, APPROVING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE PINE VALLEY SINGLE TRACK MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL PROJECT.** The motion carried unanimously (7-0)

**WHEREAS**, The City has identified a vision for park improvements in the Cloquet Parks and Recreation System Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, The Cloquet Parks and Recreation System Master Plan includes a mountain bike trail at Pine Valley Park; and

**WHEREAS**, The Capital Improvement Plan has budgeted for the addition of a mountain bike trail at Pine Valley in 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, The City now wishes to proceed with these improvements.

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

1. Such plans and specifications are hereby approved.
2. The City Engineer is hereby authorized to advertise and solicit bids for such improvements.

**AUTHORIZATION TO BID 2017 SANITARY SEWER LINING PROJECT**

**MOTION:** Councilor Langley moved and Councilor Bailey seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-08, APPROVING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE 2017 SANITARY SEWER LINING PROJECT.** The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**WHEREAS,** The City has identified a need to maintain its sanitary sewer infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS,** Proactively reducing inflow and infiltration into the sanitary sewer system will provide benefits to the City of Cloquet both financially and environmentally; and

**WHEREAS,** A trenchless approach to reducing infiltration provides the most economical approach to this work; and

**WHEREAS,** The City now wishes to proceed with these improvements.

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

1. Such plans and specifications are hereby approved.
2. The City Engineer is hereby authorized to advertise and solicit bids for such improvements.

**CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARKS AND PLANNING COMMISSIONS**

**MOTION:** Councilor Langley moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to table the discussion and appointment of applicants interested in serving on the Parks and Planning Commissions until the February 7, 2017 regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**WLSSD BOARD APPOINTMENT**

**MOTION** Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Bailey seconded the motion to table the discussion and consideration of the appointment of a City Councilor to the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District Board until the February 7, 2017 regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Clarence Badger, 1518 Moorhead Road, expressed concern about the City Council's decision to require a sitting commissioner to interview for a position on a City Commission.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES**

Steve Langley questioned whether anyone was appointed to the Cloquet Area Fire District Board as an alternative. Mr. Fritsinger noted the City Council had not appointed anyone.

Mayor Hallback wished his daughter a happy birthday.

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

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Brian Fritsinger, City Administrator