

Cloquet City Hall Council Chambers
6:00 P.M. June 18, 2024

Roll Call

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

Councilors Absent: Lamb, Jaakola

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Keller seconded the motion to approve the June 18, 2024 agenda with the addition of item 9.D., Closed Session. 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 4, 2024 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of June 18, 2024, approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- a. Resolution No. 24-42, Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. Authorize 2024 Transfers
- c. Resolution No. 24-45, Approving Exempt Permit to Conduct a Raffle Event for the Cloquet Youth Baseball/Softball Association (CYBSA)
- d. Approve Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants License for TNT Fireworks

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

Hockey Day Cloquet

Nate Knutson addressed City Council about Hockey Day Cloquet, seeking approval for the use of Veterans Park for the event which will take place January 7 – 17, 2025. Events include a Wounded Warriors hockey game, youth games, boys and girls HS hockey games and public use of the rinks after games are done. Mr. Knutson provided a map of where items such as storage containers, bleachers, food

trucks, etc., will be located. Approval from the city for use of the park is needed before the committee can begin reaching out to sponsors.

MOTION: Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Keller seconded the motion to allow use of Veterans Park for Hockey Day Cloquet January 7-17, 2025 and for this to be a city sponsored event. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

TEAMSTERS 346 LABOR AGREEMENT

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve three-year Labor Agreement between Teamsters 346 (Police Officers) and the City and authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to execute such Agreement. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR KUKLIS CONSTRUCTION LLC

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Keller seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 24-43, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR KUKLIS CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR 2 – TWO -FAMILY DWELLINGS IN THE R1-SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.** The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

WHEREAS, Kuklis Construction, LLC is proposing a Conditional Use Permit for 2 - two-family dwellings in the R1 – Single-Family Residence District; and

WHEREAS, As required by ordinance, notification was advertised in the Pine Knot on May 31, 2024, and property owners within 350 feet were sent notice. A public hearing was held to consider the application at the regular meeting of the Cloquet Planning Commission on June 11, 2024, at which time Zoning Case / Development Review No. 24-12 was heard and discussed; and

WHEREAS, the property of the proposed Conditional Use Permit is located north of Wilson Avenue and west of 16th Street:

Lots 2 & 5, Block 3, 1971 Rearrangement of A J Whites Addition. Carlton County, Minnesota. And,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the staff report and recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOQUET, MINNESOTA, that it approves Zoning Case 24-12 for Kuklis Construction, LLC for 2 - two-family dwellings in the R1 – Single-Family Residence District subject to the following condition:

1. A Right-of-Way occupation permit must be received for placement of a driveway in the 15th Street right-of-way prior to a building permit being issued for Lot 5.
2. A Building Permit be issued prior to beginning any work.

SUPPORTING LEGACY GRANT APPLICATION

MOTION: Councilor Keller moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 24-44, SUPPORTING THE LEGACY GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GREATER MINNESOTA REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS COMMISSION (GMRPTC) AND MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR PINE VALLEY PARK.** The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

WHEREAS, The City of Cloquet (Applicant) has the right and authority to sponsor a grant funding request to the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission (GMRPTC); and

1. **WHEREAS,** The City of Cloquet has a right and authority to act as Legal Sponsor for the State Grant Application (the “Application”) and will work with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”), in developing a Grant Agreement relating to the funding which may be awarded by the GMRPTC.

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

2. That the Applicant certifies it has read and understands the Office of Grants Management [Conflict of Interest Policy 08-01](#), will maintain an adequate Conflict of Interest Policy and monitor and report any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest to the GMRPTC and DNR.
3. That the Applicant confirms all of the information in its Application and further confirms that it has no expectation of, or entitlement to, reimbursement of costs incurred prior to grant agreement execution date and, if applicable, it has not entered into a written purchase agreement to acquire property described in its Application if grant funds are to be used for the purchase.
4. That the Applicant has or will acquire a fee interest ownership or permanent easement over the land described in the Application for regional parks and regional special feature parks as applicable. The applicant has or will acquire a fee interest, permanent or perpetual easement or minimum twenty (20) year lease over the land described in the Application for regional trails or regional special feature parks, as applicable and approved, before the project proceeds.
5. That the Applicant agrees that it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations and requirements as stated in the Grant Agreement with the DNR, including dedicating the park property for uses consistent with the grant agreement into perpetuity or for trails, committing to maintain the trails for a period of not less than twenty (20) years, and dedicating all land acquired under the project for uses consistent with the grant agreement into perpetuity.
6. **BE IT FURTHER UNDERSTOOD,** that the GMRPTC will confirm at such time that it has made the award of funds authorizing a Grant Agreement to be developed between the DNR and the Applicant.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to enter into a closed meeting pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13.D.03 to discuss Teamsters 346 contract negotiations. The motion carried unanimously (5-0). The time is 6:39 p.m.

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to reopen the City Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously (5-0). The time is 7:31 p.m.

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the Teamsters 346 labor contract and for a \$1.78 per hour market adjustment, which is equivalent to 5% of the top patrol pay, effective July 1, 2024. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Tim Peterson, City Administrator