

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

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

Councilors Absent: Bailey

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to approve the November 21, 2017 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

MINUTES

MOTION: Councilor Langley moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 7, 2017. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Rock seconded the motion to adopt the consent agenda of November 21, 2017, approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

- a. Resolution No. 17-92, Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. Engineering Tech II Appointment
- c. Optional 2 A.M. Liquor License - Northeastern Saloon & Grille

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

CERTIFICATION OF UTILITY BILLS AND MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTY CHARGES

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-93, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND CONFIRMING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR DELINQUENT UTILITIES AND MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.** The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

WHEREAS, The amount to be specially assessed for delinquent utilities has been calculated in accordance with the provisions of City ordinances and Minnesota Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Notices have been duly mailed as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Said proposed assessments have at all times since their filing been open for public inspections, and an opportunity has been given to all interested parties to present objections, if any, to the proposed assessments; and

WHEREAS, There were no oral or written objections received.

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

1. The amounts so calculated and set forth in said notices are hereby levied against the respective parcels of land described therein; and
2. The proposed assessments are hereby adopted and confirmed as special assessments for each of said parcels of land and the assessments shall be a lien concurrent with general taxes upon said parcel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized and directed to transmit to the County Auditor a certified duplicate of the assessment roll to be extended upon the property tax lists of the County and the County Auditor shall collect said special assessments with taxes levied in 2017, payable in 2018.

ZONING CASE 17-16, VACATING A PORTION OF GRANT AVENUE AND THE DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Bjerkness seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 17-91, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF GRANT AVENUE AND THE DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT LYING SOUTH OF 2005 GRANT AVENUE.** The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

WHEREAS, Nathan Radoush is proposing to vacate a portion of Grant Avenue and the drainage and utility easement lying south of 2005 Grant Avenue; and

WHEREAS, As required by ordinance, notification was advertised in the Pine Journal and effected property owners have been notified. A public hearing was held to consider the application at the regular meeting of the Cloquet Planning Commission on November 14, 2017 at which time Zoning Case / Development Review No. 17-16 was heard and discussed; and

WHEREAS, the property of the proposed Street and Drainage and Utility Easement Vacation is located south of 2005 Grant Avenue and is legally described as follows:

The west 21.34 feet of the east 31.34 feet of Grant Avenue adjacent to Lot 1, Block 4, Southside Addition to Cloquet, Carlton County, Minnesota and the south 20 feet of the Drainage and Utility Easement within that area. And,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the staff report and recommends approval of the Vacation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOQUET, MINNESOTA, that it approves of Zoning Case 17-16 for a vacation of a portion of Grant Avenue and of the drainage and utility easement lying south of 2005 Grant Avenue.

2018 WHEEL LOADER PURCHASE

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Bjerkness seconded the motion to authorize the purchase of a 2018 John Deere 624k wheel loader from Nortrax in the amount of \$134,924.00. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

WATER TREATMENT PLANT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Langley seconded the motion to approve the solicitation of proposals for professional services related to the design of a water treatment plant and associated improvements serving Well #8 and the Spring Lake Reservoir. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

DOG PARK PETITION AND REQUEST

Cory Martinson, presented the Council with a petition containing 300+ signatures in favor of a dog park in Cloquet. Mr. Peterson, Director of Public Works, stated there is a placeholder in the 5 year CIP for a dog Park. Council agreed to move forward with a formal discussion at an upcoming future Work Session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jana Peterson, Pine Journal, addressed the Council regarding the importance of maintaining Pine Valley and all the amenities it has to offer.

COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES

Mayor Hallback congratulated the Cloquet Lumberjacks Football team on a winning season and wished them luck in the Championship game. He also wished a happy and safe Thanksgiving to all.

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