Cloquet City Council Work Session

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Present:

A. Bailey, D. Bjerkness, K. Kolodge, S. Langley, R. Maki, J. Rock, Mayor Hallback

Absent:

None

Staff:

N. Klassen, C. Peterson, J. Palmer

Other:

J. Peterson, Pine Journal

Council Boards/ Commission

 Mr. Reeves reviewed the following Council seats on Boards and Commissions that will be expiring December 31st:

CAFD Board - Councilor Rock is resigning from his position to be replaced by Councilor Bailey, Councilor Kolodge will continue to serve on the Board. An alternate is still needed and Council agreed to advertise to the public to fill that seat.

EDA – Councilor Bailey will continue serving. Councilor Bjerkness will remain on the Economic Development Partnership.

CAHA – The City has a seat as a member of the CAHA Board but no one has ever been appointed. Councilor Langley will represent the City with CAHA.

CAHA/Wilderness Update

Mr. Reeves reviewed the agreement between the Wilderness and CAHA for the 2018-2019 season. Discussion followed regarding how the city could help if the Wilderness were to leave. Council agreed there needs to be future conversations on how to move forward with CAHA in regard to their lease payment, an annual audit of CAHA's financials, insurance, the obligations the city has to the facility to maintain, etc.

Future Work Session Items

Mr. Reeves requested input from Councilors on future Work Session agenda items. He is still having conversations and gathering information from the union, developers, the City of Duluth for the PLA discussion; the Personnel Policy will be ready for revisiting after negotiations are complete. Mr. Reeves suggested to limit the number of heavy discussion items per meeting. Suggested agenda items discussed include: a plan of action for blight throughout the city; capital project priorities; joint meetings to include the RBC; and a 2018 council retreat.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Aaron Reeves
City Administrator