

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

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

Councilors Absent: Langley

AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to approve the August 18, 2015 agenda. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

MINUTES

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Bjerkness seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the work session and regular meeting of August 4, 2015. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to adopt the consent agenda of August 18, 2015 approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

- a. Resolution No. 15-66, Authorizing the Payment of Bills and Payroll
- b. Resolution No. 15-67, Adopting and Confirming Special Assessments For Delinquent Utilities

PUBLIC HEARING – WEST I-35 FRONTAGE ROAD PAVING IMPROVEMENT

Mayor Hallback announced that now is the time and place for the public hearing on the proposed improvement of West I-35 Frontage Road (South Highway 33) from Moorhead Road north to Highway 33. Assistant City Engineer Peterson provided an overview of the proposed project.

The City Council had a number of questions related to the future assessments for the improvement. The Council indicated that due to the nature of this roadway, assessments may not be appropriate. Staff responded that those issues will be evaluated and presented at the time of the Assessment Hearing. The Council also had questions on the project schedule, the impact on the Encore Performing Arts Center schedule, speed limits, and an overall review of Chapter 12 of City Code.

Frank Milder, Encore Performing Arts Center, encouraged the City to look at the amount of traffic using the Frontage Road as a “pass through” street as it considers assessments. He also had questions on the future of the Highway 33 crossover and whether the project should be delayed until MNDOT addresses the safety problem. He did not see any negative impact on the Performing Arts Center from the construction schedule.

Terry Demenge, 2031 Highway 33 South, commented that he didn’t feel that property owners should be assessed. He reminded the City to fix the problem from flushing the hydrants and water on his property.

Mary Fink, 1461 Ann Street, stated that she doesn’t think assessments are fair.

Nate Sandman, 1463 Ann Street, stated his opposition to the assessment but was supportive of the project and the widening of the shoulders to accommodate pedestrians.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Hallback closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to adopt **RESOLUTION NO. 15-68 ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT AND PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE**

2015 PAVING OF THE WEST I-35 FRONTAGE ROAD (SOUTH HIGHWAY 33) FROM MOORHEAD ROAD, NORTH APPROXIMATELY 1 MILE TO HIGHWAY 33.

WHEREAS, The City has proposed to completed a roadway pavement improvement on the West I-35 Frontage Road (South Highway 33) from Moorhead Road, north one mile to Highway 33; and

WHEREAS, A resolution of the Council adopted July 21, 2015, set a date for a Council hearing on the proposed improvement; and

WHEREAS, minimum of ten days mailed notice and two weeks published notice of the hearing was given and the hearing was held thereon on the 18th day of August 2015, at which time all persons desiring to be heard were given an opportunity to be heard.

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

1. Such improvement is necessary, cost effective, and feasible as detailed in the City's feasibility study.
2. The City Engineer is hereby designated as the engineer for this improvement and shall prepare plans and specifications for the making of such improvement.
3. Such improvement is hereby ordered and the City Engineer is hereby authorized to solicit bids for construction.

The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

CABLE TV FRANCHISE AGREEMENT RENEWAL

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Bjerkness seconded the motion to table discussion on the Cable TV Franchise Agreement Renewal until the September 1, 2015 Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

ADOPTION OF CITY STRATEGIC PLAN

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to approve the 2016-2018 Strategic Plan identified as part of the recent City Council/Department Head Retreat as detailed within the Strategic Planning Report subject to the revisions as discussed during the work session. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

APPROVE THE SALE OF TAX FORFEITED LAND

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Rock seconded the motion to approve the sale of tax forfeited land within the City as identified in the July 29, 2015 letter from Carlton County and directed the City Administrator to notify the County of its intent to re-levy the certified assessments on parcel # 06-030-0920. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

ADOPTION OF CITY COUNCIL IPAD USE POLICY

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to adopt the City Council iPad Use Policy. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT DONATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RECOGNITION

MOTION: Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Rock seconded the motion to recognize various community businesses and organizations for donations and support that contributed to the success of the Cloquet Police Department's National Night Out event held on August 4, 2015. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

GRADER PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION

MOTION: Councilor Bjerkness moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to authorize the purchase of a 2010 John Deere Motor Grader from Nortrax in the amount of \$149,594.00. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

LUMBERJACK LOUNGE BEER AND ON-SALE LIQUOR SALES AT CARC

MOTION: Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Kolodge seconded the motion to authorize Lumberjack Lounge, LLC to allow for the sale of beer and limited selection of hard alcohol products at the Cloquet Area Recreation Center (Northwoods Arena) for a period expiring June 30, 2016, with the following conditions:

- The Wilderness Hockey Club/CAHA provide an executed Lease Agreement identifying the permanent relationship between the Club and Association.
- Sales be limited to the specific dates and times associated with the team's 2015-2016 home schedule as provided to the City.
- Sales be restricted to the interior of the Cloquet Area Recreation Center (Northwoods Arena) with no consumption allowed either outside the building or in locker room areas.
- No sales shall take place in the building when youth amateur events are held within that building.
- The licensee provide the City with a certificate of insurance covering the facility and including the City as an additional insured.
- The Club and/or licensee provide sufficient security personnel at all times when alcohol is sold to ensure the enforcement of all rules, regulations, and laws related to the sale and consumption of alcohol.

The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

BID AUTHORIZATION FOR DECHLORINATION BUILDING FOR THE LAKE SUPERIOR WATER LINE

MOTION: Councilor Rock moved and Councilor Maki seconded the motion to approve the advertisement of bids to construct a dechlorination building for the Lake Superior Waterline operations. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

COUNCIL COMMENTS/UPDATES

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