



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 23, 2023

5:00 PM

Mayor Pro-Tem Adams called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

PRESENT: Councilor Dale Adams, Councilor Tasha Connelly, Councilor Molly MacGregor.

ABSENT: Mayor Dale Christy, Councilor Tom Sutherland

STAFF: Barb Baird, Rob Mattei, Kevin Ott, Glen Hodgson, Chad Sterle

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month

Mayor Pro-Tem Adams read the proclamation for National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month into the record.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one from the public wished to speak.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilor MacGregor stated that she had received a call regarding the Cannabis Manufacturing project and the caller expressed opposition to the project. Councilor MacGregor also provided an update on the Climate Change movement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. Approve Council minutes for October 9, 2023 Worksession and Regular meetings and acknowledge Closed meeting summary.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to approve Council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

VERIFIED CLAIMS:

3. Approve the verified claims for the period October 3, 2023 to October 16, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,902,271.55.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to approve the verified claims as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

ACKNOWLEDGE MINUTES FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

4. Council acknowledged approve minutes for the following meetings:
 1. August 2, 2023 Civic Center Board meeting
 2. September 7, 2023 Planning Commission meeting
 3. September 13, 2023 Library Board meeting
 4. September 14, 2023 GREDA meeting
 5. September 19, 2023 Golf Board meeting
 6. September 26, 2023 Arts & Culture meeting

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. Consider approving a donation agreement with Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital
6. Consider accepting the resignation of Jillian Buck from the Police Community Advisory Board and authorize filling the vacancy.
7. Consider approving final payment for AP 2023-4, Airport Utility Extension project in the amount of \$7,831.38 and Balancing Change Order 1.
8. Consider authorizing staff to advertise with K-Bid the sale of miscellaneous office furniture and no longer used firefighting equipment from the Fire Department.
9. Consider selling an old Flamefighter hose tester and old positive pressure fan to the City of Finlayson Fire department for \$1,000 and donate old positive pressure fan and LED light bar to the Hill City Fire Department.
10. Consider approving a contract with Paul Shaffer for legal criminal prosecution services.
11. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing the City to make application to the MN Dept. of IRRR Commercial Redevelopment Grant program for the 316 N. Pokegama Ave. Redevelopment Project.

Adopted Resolution 23-80

12. Consider adoption of a resolution accepting a \$200,000 MN Dept. of IRRR Development Partnerships grant for the Workforce Housing Pre-Development Project.

Adopted Resolution 23-81

13. Consider accepting highest bids for bobcat attachments and generator.
14. Consider approving changer order related to Civic Center project.
15. Consider accepting proposal from Gartner Temperature controls for Civic Center Remote Thermostats.

Motion made by Councilor MacGregor, Second by Councilor Connelly to approve the Consent agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

SET REGULAR AGENDA:

Mayor Pro-tem Adams stated that staff requested Council pull item #16 and forward to Council meeting on November 13, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to approve the Regular agenda as amended, forwarding item #16 for consideration on November 13, 2023. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

CIVIC CENTER & PARKS:

16. Consider assisting Kootasca with a fully accessible playground with in-kind services and \$5,000 from the City's Park Land Dedication account.

Item pulled off agenda and forwarded to Council meeting on November 13, 2023.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

17. Consider adoption of a resolution approving a Development Assistance Agreement with SE 7th Avenue Distribution LLC and providing the form, terms, covenants, and directions for the issuance of a Tax Increment Revenue Not in connection therewith.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to **adopt Resolution 23-82**, approving Development Assistance Agreement with SE 7th Avenue Distribution LLC as presented and directions for issuance of TIF. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

FINANCE:

18. Consider adopting a resolution awarding the sale of the \$2,250,000 General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2023A.

Rebecca Kurtz, Ehlers, noted updated amount on Resolution is \$2,220,000 GO Street Reconstruction Bonds.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to **adopt Resolution 23-83**, awarding the sale of \$2,220,000 GO Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2023A as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

19. Consider adopting a resolution awarding the sale of the \$4,755,000 General Obligation Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2023B (Public Utilities Commission).

Updated bond amount is \$4,575,000.

Motion made by Councilor MacGregor, Second by Councilor Connelly to **adopt Resolution 23-84**, awarding sale of \$4,575,000 GO Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2023B as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

POLICE:

20. Consider adopting a resolution accepting the donations for 2023 National Night Out / Community BBQ supporters of SuperOne, Pinched Catering, Walmart, Pepsi, and Sandstroms.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to **adopt Resolution 23-85**, accepting donations for National Night Out/Community BBQ. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

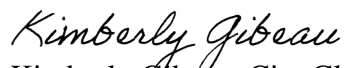
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21. Consider appointing applicants to Board & Commission vacancies

Motion made by Councilor MacGregor, Second by Councilor Connelly to appoint Roger Mischke to the Pokegama Golf Board for an unexpired term through March 1, 2024, Ronald Grossman to the Human Rights Commission for an unexpired term through March 1, 2025 and Amanda Lamppa to the Planning Commission for an unexpired term through March 1, 2026. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned 5:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted:


Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk