

**MINUTES
CITY OF ISANTI
CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 17, 2015
ISANTI CITY HALL**

Mayor Wimmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Mayor George Wimmer, Councilors Paul Bergley, Adam Johnson, Steve Lundeen and Dan Collison

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator/City Clerk Don Lorsung, City Attorney Clark Joslin, Finance Director/Assistant City Administrator Sarah Cotton, Human Resources/ Deputy City Clerk Karissa Henning, Police Chief Gene Hill, Economic Development Director Sean Sullivan, Community Development Director Roxanne Achman, and City Engineer Brad DeWolf

D. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Johnson second by Lundeen to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Proclamations/Commendations/Certificate Awards

None.

F. Approve City Council Minutes

Motion by Johnson, second by Bergley to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2015 regular meeting of the City Council. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Citizens Input

None.

H. Announcements

Announcements were read.

I. Council Committee Reports

None.

J. Public Hearings

1. Vacation of Drainage and Utility Easements Lying Within Outlot A, Fairway Green Phase 5

Mayor Wimmer opened the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.

There were no comments.

Mayor Wimmer closed the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.

a. Resolution 2015-028 Vacating a Utility Easement

Motion by Lundeen second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2015-028 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

K. Business Items

1. School District Strategic Plan

Dr. Ray Queener, the Superintendent for the Cambridge-Isanti School District, was present and reviewed with the City Council the School District's strategic plan. Dr. Queener reviewed the implementation of the strategic plan, measuring objectives, and progress reports - which will be placed online for everyone to be able to view. Dr. Queener also updated the Council on the School District's new mission statement.

Mayor Wimmer noted that the City has a good relationship with the School District. Mayor Wimmer stated that a strong school district is important from an economic development standpoint.

2. Community Veteran Services

Jim Rostberg, a representative for Veteran Services, was present and updated the City Council on programs available to veterans. Rostberg reviewed state programs and some of the Veteran Affairs (VA) Departments. Rostberg reviewed: VA Benefits Administration, VA Health Administration, the VA National Cemetery System, and VA War Pension. Rostberg also reviewed programs for service connected disability, education, loan guarantees, and the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Program in Isanti County.

Mayor Wimmer noted that Rostberg is very willing to help out anyone with questions and that he is a great resource and community liaison.

3. Explorer Program

Isanti County Sheriff, Chris Caulk, was present along with Chief Gene Hill, City Police Officer Adam Gau, County Deputy Chad Meyer, and Police Explorers Paul Elmstrand, Tanner Hagen, and Logan Deline. Caulk and Hill explained the benefits of the Police Explorer program and how it benefits the youth and the community. This program offers youth ages 14-21 a great resource for career exploration/ development and training. Explorers help out significantly around the community for events such as ATV and snowmobile safety training courses, the rodeo, parades, National Night Out, and Take a Kid Fishing. Gau and Meyer noted the Isanti Explorers took first place in a Hostile Negotiations competition and third place in a Traffic Stop competition. Explorer Elmstrand further explained the explorer program and how it works for youth.

Collison asked how someone could donate to the explorer program. Caulk explained that a check can be made out to Isanti County - and to notate within the memo line that it is for the explorer program.

4. **Resolution 2015-029 Approving the Site Plan for Isanti Intermediate School Parking Improvements to be Constructed on the Property at 101 9th Avenue NE, Legally Described as Lot 1, Block 1, Sun Prairie First Addition**

Motion by Lundeen second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2015-029 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Resolution 2015-030 Approving the Final Plat of Fairway Greens Phase 8, Legally Described as Outlot A, Fairway Greens Phase Five**

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve Resolution No. 2015-030 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Resolution 2015-031 to Amend Resolution 2014-134 to Change Nuisance Mowing Frequency on Large Tracts and Subdivisions**

Motion by Johnson second by Collison to approve Resolution No. 2015-031 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Resolution 2015-032 Approving the Modification to the Existing Telecommunication Tower Located on the Property at 501 West Dual Blvd NE**

Motion by Lundeen second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2015-032 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Resolution 2015-033 Approving a Computer Software and Services Contract with Civic Systems, LLC**

Motion by Johnson second by Collison to approve Resolution No. 2015-033 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Consider Amendments to City Code and Fee Schedule in Regards to Park Fees**

- a. **Resolution 2015-034 Adopting Fees within the City of Isanti**

- b. **Ordinance 598 Amending the Code of the City of Isanti Chapter 160 Fees**

Motion by Johnson second by Bergley to approve Resolution No. 2015-034 and Ordinance 598 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **Resolution 2015-035 Offering the Position of Part-Time Building Inspector to Mr. Nick Henly**

Motion by Collison second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2015-035 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

11. **Resolution 2015-036 Authorizing Submittal of 2015 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to East Central Regional Development Commission (ECRDC)**

Motion by Johnson second by Bergley to approve Resolution No. 2015-036 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

L. Approve Consent Agenda

1. Consider Accounts Payable in the Amount of \$521,395.45 and Payroll in the Amount of \$82,963.44

2. Pay Request No. 6 for the Isanti BMX Building in the Amount of \$285,388.55
3. Final Minutes of the January 13, 2015 Planning Commission Meeting
4. Final Minutes of the January 6, 2015 Economic Development Authority Meeting
5. **Resolution 2015-037** Rescinding Termination of Fire Hall Lease
6. **Resolution 2015-038** Accepting a Donation for the City of Isanti
7. **Resolution 2015-039** Calling a City Council Work Session on March 17, 2015 to Review City Council Meeting Safety

Motion by Lundeen, second by Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion by Johnson, second by Lundeen to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karissa Henning
Human Resources/ Deputy City Clerk