

**CITY OF ISANTI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, March 6, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
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, Council Members: Paul Bergley, Steve Lundeen, and Ross Lorinser

Members Absent: Dan Collison

Staff Present: City Administrator Don Lorsung, Human Resources / City Clerk Katie Brooks, City Attorney Clark Joslin, Police Chief Gene Hill, Economic Development Director Sean Sullivan, and City Engineer Brad DeWolf

Others Present: Isanti County Commissioner Mike Warring, Russell R. Smith IV, Wayne L. Carlson, Joe Egge, Ron Stawski, Rod Barrows, Shari Harker, George Hemen, Elizabeth Anderson, Joe Niles, Stacy Upton, Kandis Hanson, Jeff Johnson, Adam Gau

D. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Lorinser, second by Lundeen to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

E. Proclamations/Commendations/Certificate Awards

None.

F. Approve City Council Minutes

1. February 20, 2018 – Regular Meeting of the City Council

Motion by Lundeen, second by Lorinser to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

G. Citizens Input

None.

H. Announcements

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| 1. City Council Meeting | Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. |
| 2. Planning Commission Meeting | Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
<i>(Immediately following City Council Meeting)</i> |
| 3. Park, Recreation, and Culture Board Meeting | Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. |

I. Council Committee Reports

Councilmember Bergley reported that City Administrator Don Lorsung invited him to the Icicle meeting being held in response to the school incident last week. The meeting is regarding what the school district's response should be if something similar happens again. Councilmember Bergley wanted to solicit City Council and staff input and opinions before attending the April 9th meeting. Mayor Wimmer remarked that there had already been a meeting held through the school district with a new protocol to be used in which all local law enforcement entities and school resource officers will be included in responding to similar situations. Since the school district had already met and initiated new protocol it was felt that the Icicle meeting may be unnecessary.

However, Councilmember Bergley shared that he may be attending and if so will report back to the Council after.

Mayor Wimmer shared that the City was notified that the official City newspaper is changing how they will deliver papers. The change, in which the paper will be delivered by request only, is coming from the paper's publisher. The Star will continue to be delivered to all homes. A letter will be sent to ECM to clarify advertising rates and who the paper will be reaching. After a response is received, it may need to be looked at again as the City works to ensure any notifications reach as many people as possible.

J. Public Hearings

None.

K. Business Items

1. Discussion Regarding Request to have I.S.D. 911 Fund the SRO Full-Time During School Year.

Mayor Wimmer remarked that this has come up due to the school closing. The Superintendent wrote a letter to the newspapers and gave a press conference in response to the situation. These inaccurately gave the impression there are three full-time resource officers available all day each school day. The school district funds two full-time resource officers in Cambridge, but only funds one part-time officer for 4 hours a day in Isanti. The City has tried several times over a number of years to get the school district to fund the Isanti officer full-time, but the school district has refused each request. Mayor Wimmer expressed disappointment at this and again stressed that to say there is an officer at the Isanti schools all day is not accurate.

Mayor Wimmer went on to say that Officer Gau, the part-time resource officer in the Isanti schools, is an outstanding officer who has received recognition and awards many times throughout his career. Mayor Wimmer requested the Council approve sending a letter to the school district once again requesting that Officer Gau be funded full-time. This is not just for safety reasons, but also because Officer Gau is an asset and has put together several programs in the schools that have been duplicated all over the state. Mayor Wimmer referred back to Councilmember Lorinser's statement from the February 7th City Council meeting that awards in law enforcement are not that prevalent, and many officers have an entire career without receiving any, so the number Officer Gau has shows what a quality officer he is.

Motion by Lorinser, second by Bergley to approve the request. Motion carried

2. Resolutions Approving Use of Isanti Community Garden for Educational Programs

- a. **Resolution 2018-044** Approving the Use of Isanti Community Garden by School for All Seasons In 2018
- b. **Resolution 2018-045** Approving the Use of Isanti Community Garden by Isanti County Public Health

Motion by Lorinser, second by Bergley to approve both resolutions. Motion carried.

3. Resolution 2018-046 Approving Contract for Building Inspection Services with MNSpect, LLC

A motion was made by Councilmember Lundeen, second by Lorinser to approve the resolution. Before the motion carried, Councilmember Bergley asked what the end date may be for the contract since it had been temporary and was now becoming long-term. Mayor Wimmer responded that it originally been an interim measure but pay Building Officials are receiving in the cities is much more than had been budgeted for. Using MNSpect also addresses the ebb and flow of building and the City will not have to subsidize a Building Official business during slower times. This will be three year contract and can be reviewed again at that time. Councilmember Lundeen remarked that he has worked with MNSpect before and thinks they will do a fine job. He also

pointed out several other cities that contract with similar building inspection companies and thinks this may benefit the City more than another full-time employee.

Motion by Lundeen, second by Lorinser to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

City Administrator Don Lorsung

4. On-Sale and Sunday Liquor License Renewals
 - a. **Resolution 2018-047** Approving a Consumption and Display Permit Renewal for Brushes & Boards
 - b. **Resolution 2018-048** Approving a 3.2 Malt Liquor License for Patlok Design Inc. dba Sanbrook Golf Course
 - c. **Resolution 2018-049** Approving a Liquor License Renewal for Junction Bowl and Whistle Stop Bar & Grill
 - d. **Resolution 2018-050** Approving a Liquor License Renewal for Rum River VFW 2735
 - e. **Resolution 2018-051** Approving a Liquor License Renewal for Wintergreen's Golf & Grill

Mayor Wimmer shared that overall service calls are down for licenses.

Motion by Lundeen, second by Bergley to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

5. **Resolution 2018-052** Approving Pawnshop License Renewal to Northern Pawn, Inc.

Motion by Lorinser, second by Lundeen to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

L. Approve Consent Agenda

1. Consider Accounts Payable in the Amount of \$171,816.42 and Payroll in the amount of \$88,813.70
2. Contractor's Pay Request No. 14 in the Amount of \$15,494.00
3. Final Meeting Minutes for the January 23, 2018 Park, Recreation and Culture Board Meeting
4. Final Minutes of the January 16, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting
5. **Resolution 2018-053** Accepting Proposal for Isanti Community Center Maintenance
6. **Resolution 2018-054** Approving a Check be Written to Arts and Science Academy for Volunteering at the Community Movie Night
7. **Resolution 2018-055** Authorizing the Designation of Fund Balances for 2017
8. **Resolution 2018-056** Approving Request for Mayor Wimmer to Attend 2018 League of Minnesota Cities Legislative Conference
9. **Ordinance No. 687** Amending Isanti Zoning Code (Sign Code) Section 16, Subd. 6 to allow for Larger Dynamic Signs in Permitted Zoning Districts
10. **Resolution 2018-057** Approving Sale of PD Seized Forfeiture Vehicle 1998 Polaris Indy 500 at Auction
11. **Resolution 2018-058** Authorizing Staff to Enter into an Agreement with Lano Equipment Buyback Program
12. **Resolution 2018-059** Awarding Quote and Authorizing to Enter into a Contract for Portable Toilet Services
13. **Resolution 2018-060** Amending Sprint Site Lease Agreement
14. **Resolution 2018-061** Approving an Amendment to the Personnel Policy, Section 17A., Acceptable use Policy for Electronic Communications and Internet use to Include Elected Officials

Motion by Bergley, second by Lorinser to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

M. Other Communications

1. Draft Minutes of the February 20, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting
2. Draft Minutes of the February 27, 2018 Meeting of the Park, Recreation and Culture Board

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lundeen, second by Bergley. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeannifer Anderson".

Jeannifer Anderson
Administrative Data Clerk