

**MINUTES
CITY OF ISANTI
CITY COUNCIL
June 4, 2013
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 Sue Larson, Adam Johnson, Steve Lundeen and Dan Collison

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Don Lorsung, City Attorney Clark Joslin, Human Resources/Deputy City Clerk Karissa Henning, Police Chief Ron Sager, Economic Development Director Sean Sullivan, Planning and Parks Director Lisa Wilson and City Engineer Brad DeWolf

D. Adopt Agenda

1. Addendum:

Add New L.6 Request to Move the Craft Show during Jubilee Days from Main Street to Eagle Park

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve the agenda with the addendum as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

E. Proclamations/Commendations/Certificate Awards

1. Proclamation – Mayor’s Employer Celebration Day – June 18, 2013

Mayor Wimmer read the Employer Celebration Day Proclamation.

F. Approve City Council Minutes

Motion by Larson, second by Lundeen to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2013 regular meeting of the City Council. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Citizens Input

None.

H. Announcements

Announcements were read.

I. Council Committee Reports

Councilor Larson reported on:

- **NLX (Northern Lights Express)**
- **GPS 45:93**
 - Rain fund donation mailing list

- **GPS 45:93/ East Central Regional Development Commission**
 - Financial Summit
- **Arena Board**
 - Youth Hockey
 - Arena clean-up
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Mayor's Employer Luncheon
 - Jubilee Days
 - Circus
 - Bike Rodeo

J. Public Hearings

None.

K. Business Items

1. Presentation of Isanti Ambassadors

Mayor Wimmer presented Isanti Ambassadors Kellie Pederson, Kaitlin Svoda, Emma Dimassis and Whitney Greenwaldt (Rose Strike was unable to attend). The Ambassadors introduced themselves, their sponsors, and what they look forward to as an Isanti Ambassador.

2. Resolution 2013-101 Approving the Names for the Overlook/Rest Areas within Legacy Park

Mayor Wimmer announced that there was a contest held for naming for the overlook/rest areas within Legacy Park at the local schools. Mayor Wimmer stated the teachers' classrooms that provided the winning names, chosen by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Board, selected the following for overlook/rest areas:

1. Fredlig Vattan Overlook (Peaceful Water) – Bench
2. Nature View Point – Bench
3. Tranquility Crossings – Table
4. Brookside Cove – Table
5. Sunnyside Landing - Table

Motion by Collison, second by Larson to approve Resolution No. 2013-101 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Community Center Funding

Mayor Wimmer stated the foundation grant that was applied for to assist in funding the community center was not received. Mayor Wimmer stated there are three things the Council could do with the community center:

1. Do the immediate repairs that need to take place
2. Close the community center by the end of 2013
3. Have a petition with 50% plus one (of the Isanti voters) sign in support of the community center remaining open

Mayor Wimmer noted, in the fall election, only around 30% of the Isanti voters voted in favor of supporting the community center and a tax increase to keep the community center open.

There was discussion amongst the Council in regards to not enough information getting out to the citizens on the community center ballot question. Many citizens had expressed their confusion with the ballot question and stressed that most citizens were not informed of the funding issues with the community center.

Larson noted more grants could be looked into for funding.

There was discussion that the sprinkler system within the community center would be the first thing that needs to be replaced, if repairs were to be done.

There was comment about the fundraising events for the community center and that around \$2,000 has been made from these events and donations.

Mayor Wimmer stated currently the community center is not in the budget for 2014, and that the Council will have to make a decision moving forward whether or not to move money from another part of the budget to help maintain the community center; noting there are consequences whichever way money is moved in regards to funding something.

Michelle Hansel, 1110 3rd Ave SW, stated the importance of the community center and informed the Council that she would like to be involved in helping keep the community center open. Hansel noted she knows businesses that would be willing to match funds with the City to keep the community center open. Mayor Wimmer encouraged Hansel to attend the community center task force meetings.

Hansel asked of the Council how much money would be needed to do the immediate repairs to keep the community center open. The Council estimated that around \$34,000 dollars would be needed to fund the immediate repairs the community center needs.

Hansel added she is willing to go door to door and get a petition signed to keep the community center open. Mayor Wimmer directed Hansel to get in touch with Larson about the community center and getting a petition started. Johnson noted for Hansel make sure the petition is worded correctly so that there is no confusion on the petition.

4. Resolution 2013-102 Approving a Special Event Request for a Run/Walk for the Isanti Intermediate School and School for All Seasons

Motion by Johnson, second by Larson to approve Resolution No. 2013-102 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

5. Resolution 2013-103 Approving a Special Event Request for a Car Show to be Held at Lake State Federal Credit Union located at 210 6th Ave SE

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2013-103 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously. Collison abstained.

6. Ordinance 553 Amending City Code Chapter 216 Nuisance and Chapter 284 Streets and Sidewalks, Article II Location and Maintenance of Sidewalks

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve Ordinance No.553 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Resolution 2013-104 Approving the Adopt-A-Park Program

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2013-104 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Resolution 2013-105 Authorizing City Staff to Prepare a Tobacco Free Park Policy

Motion by Johnson, second by Larson to approve Resolution No. 2013-105 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Engineering Fee Proposal for the Wellhead Protection Plan Part 2

DeWolf stated two meetings have been held since the completion of phase one with the Minnesota Department of Health and the Minnesota Rural Water Association. These meetings were to assist in defining the scope of the work required by the State for phase two of the plan. DeWolf made comment that the wellhead protection plan is an extensive plan and that phase two would need to be completed and submitted to the Minnesota Department of Health.

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve the engineering fee proposal for the Wellhead Protection Plan Part 2. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Resolution 2013-106 Award Recommendation for the 2013 Railroad Avenue & Walk Improvements Project

DeWolf reported that six bids were received for the Railroad Avenue and Walk Improvements project. The low bid was Larson Excavating Contractors at \$628,116.84, which was under the engineers estimate by roughly \$52,400. Larson Excavating is a capable contractor for this project. DeWolf recommended to award the bid to Larson Excavating in the amount of \$628,116.84, which will be funded as presented within the feasibility report.

Motion by Lundeen, second by Collison to approve award the 2013 Railroad Avenue & Walk Improvements Project to Larson Excavating Contractors in the amount of \$628,116.84. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Fire Sprinkler System Inspection/ Maintenance Services

Lorsung noted that this is one of the final contracts that have not yet been put on a rotation to be reviewed and placed for bid every couple of years to ensure the City is receiving the best services at the best price. A two year contract typical to other contracts with the City has been prepared for Council approval, along with the posting for the procurement of quotes.

Motion by Lundeen, second by Larson to approve the fire sprinkler system inspection/maintenance documents and the solicitation of quotes for these services. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Resolution 2013-107 Approving City Parks Rules and Regulations Enforcement Procedure

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2013-107 as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

L. Approve Consent Agenda

1. Consider Accounts Payable in the Amount of \$219,181.95 and Payroll in the Amount of \$71,503.35
2. Final Minutes of the April 23, 2013 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting
3. **Resolution 2013-108 Approving Application for an Exempt Gambling Permit for Arm's Reach**
4. **Resolution 2013-109 Approving a One-Year Extension for the Site Plan/Building Appearance Approval for the Property Located at 605 1st Ave NW as Requested by Mark Dougall on Behalf of Kardo Properties**
5. **Resolution 2013-110 Authorizing City Staff to Apply for a Healthy Activity Grant 2013**
6. Request to Move the Craft Show during Jubilee Days to Eagle Park

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

Adjournment

Motion by Lundeen, second by Johnson to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karissa Henning
Human Resources/Deputy City Clerk