

**CITY OF ISANTI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2016
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, Dan Collison, Steve Lundeen and newly appointed Ross Lorinser

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Attorney Clark Joslin, City Administrator Don Lorsung, Human Resources/City Clerk Lindsey McInnis, Chief Gene Hill, Economic Development Director Sean Sullivan, and City Engineer Jason Cook

D. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Lundeen, second by Bergley to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Proclamations/Commendations/Certificate Awards

None

F. Approve City Council Minutes

1. May 17, 2016 – Regular Meeting of the City Council

Motion by Collison second by Bergley to approve the regular City Council Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2016 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Citizens Input

None

H. Announcements

1. Planning Commission Meeting Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
2. City Council Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
3. Parks, Recreation, and Culture Board Meeting Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

I. Council Committee Reports

Mayor Wimmer would like to see the time period for nuisance control for mowing be consistent across the board between first time and repeat offenders. Currently, first time offenders are given 1 week to provide cleanup, and repeat offenders are given 2 weeks. The Mayor would like to see both offenses given the one-week timeframe. He requested for a resolution to be prepared for the next council meeting.

The Mayor reported on the Appreciation Luncheon for the Employers of the City and their employees. The event was successful and approximately 200 people were in attendance. Council member Bergley received a five-year anniversary award for his business. Also, at the event the Mayor was given an update from John Ward of Allina and he was also able to share information on the Coborn's project, which is projected to be finished late summer. Both of these projects are designed as "new generation" facilities.

J. Public Hearings

None

K. Business Items

1. Interview Candidates for Interim Appointment to Vacant City Council Seat (*Mayor Wimmer*)
 - a. **Resolution 2016-187 Making Appointment of Ross Lorinser to Fill the Vacant City Council Seat on the Isanti City Council until such time as a Candidate is elected through the Election Process**

Two uniform applications from City residents Ross Lorinser and James Witte were received for the interim appointment to the vacant City Council seat. Both met the qualifications for candidacy for interim appointment to the vacant Council seat.

Both candidates were present and uniform questions relating to the City Council seat were asked of each of them, in alphabetical order, while the other stepped out of the room.

Voting Ballots were passed out to the Mayor and Council, completed, and collected by City Clerk, Lindsey McInnis. Once all ballots were received, City Administrator Don Lorusung, announced that the City Council unanimously approved appointment of Mr. Lorinser for the vacant Council seat. Mayor Wimmer encouraged Mr. Witte to get involved, and notified him of a vacant seat on the Park and Recreation Board.

Motion by Lundeen, second by Collison to approve Resolution No. 2016-187 appointing Ross Lorinser to fill the vacant City Council seat. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lorinser was given the oath of office and sworn in by City Clerk Lindsey McInnis.

Mr. Lorinser took his seat among the Council for the remainder of the meeting.

2. **Resolution 2016-188 Amending Resolution No. 2016-001 Designating Council Committees, and Representatives for City Commissions and Advisory Boards for Year 2016**

Council member Bergley was appointed to Police Committee and Liquor Committee as well as an alternate for the Fire District. Council member Lorinser was appointed to the Finance, Personnel and Development and Operations Advisory Committee.

The Rum River BMX Committee will be a council appointment. The appointment will not be filled at this time; however, the Mayor plans to serve on that board.

Motion by Lundeen second by Collison to approve Resolution 2016-188 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Resolution 2016-189 Approving a Special Event Application for the Cambridge-Isanti Soccer Club**

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve Resolution 2016-189 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Resolution 2016-190 Approving the Special Event Request from Wintergreens Golf and Grill**

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve Resolution 2016-190 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Resolution 2016-191 Approving a Special Event Permit Request for Miller Tax Customer Appreciation**

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve Resolution 2016-191 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Resolution 2016-192 Approving a Request by the Isanti Firefighters Rodeo Association to Close Unity Park Ball Field and Place Signage Indicating such closure for July 8th – 10th and for the movement of the Bleachers Located in Unity Park to the Rodeo Grounds**

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve Resolution 2016-192 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Resolution 2016-193 Approving Acceptance of Grant from Partners in Healthy Living**

Motion by Bergley second by Lundeen to approve Resolution 2016-193 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Resolution 2016-194 Authorizing a Public Naming Contest for Isanti Tot Lot**

Motion by Bergley second by Lundeen to approve Resolution 2016-194 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Resolution 2016-195 Authorizing to Enter into an Agreement with the Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Grant for Safe and Sober High Visibility Enforcement**

Motion by Collison second by Lundeen to approve Resolution 2016-195 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **Ordinance 646 Adopting a City Code Chapter 217 – The Use of Unmanned Aircraft**

Mayor Wimmer explained this City Code would prohibit individuals from flying a drone or other such vehicles over private property.

Bergley questioned if permission was given from private property would that be allowed. It was confirmed that yes, it would, so long as the individual had permission and it was not flown over any other residences without permission.

Lundeen was questioning the aircrafts that fly over properties, and then try to sell pictures of the property. The Mayor indicated that those are not unmanned aircrafts which is what the Code pertains to. Council member Collison asked if that was because they were flying under a lower elevation. Chief Hill mentioned that the unmanned aircrafts that fly over 400 feet must be regulated by the FAA. The aircrafts taking photos are typically flying over 500 feet and therefore would be regulated by the FAA.

Bergley asked about Public Safety Officials using unmanned aircrafts, as the code states that they are exempt from this ordinance.

Chief Hill stated that Public Safety is restricted even further than the general public because of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. People are secure under the fourth amendment in their own property, and any intrusions by law enforcement unlawfully, is prohibited. The Chief stated the type of situations these drones would be used in would be strictly for search and rescue, situations where a search warrant permits the use, or an emergency response situation where intelligence is required to dissolve the situation.

Motion by Lundeen second by Lorinser to approve Ordinance 646 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Resolution 2016-196 Awarding the Bid for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements within the City of Isanti

Mr. Jason Cook, with Bolton & Menk, Inc., described that the improvement project is to replace the existing main lift station, replace the pre-treatment building and move it near the current wastewater treatment plant, as well as rehabbing the aeration system and the filter systems. The bids came in under the Engineers estimate. The alternate bid was denied by the MPCA for its location to the Rum River, it was within 1,000 feet. Mr. Cook recommended Council approve the bid received from Gridor Construction in the amount of \$2,942,400.00 and move forward with construction.

Motion by Lundeen second by Collison to approve Resolution 2016-196 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

L. Approve Consent Agenda

1. Consider Accounts Payable in the Amount of \$309,328.59 and Payroll in the amount of \$181,210.13
2. Final Meeting Minutes for the April 26, 2016 Parks, Recreation and Culture Board Meeting
3. **Resolution 2016-197** Amending Previous Resolution 2011-085 - Replacing All Previous Policies as it May Relate to Declaring Property as Surplus and its Disposal
4. **Resolution 2016-198** Amending Isanti County Election Equipment Plan
5. **Resolution 2016-199** Terminating Isanti Police Reserve Patrick Callahan
6. **Resolution 2016-200** Accepting the Resignation of Isanti Police Reserves Beth Callahan, Tara Barrows, Harlan Worsham and Brian Sager

Motion by Lundeen second by Bergley to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

M. Other Communications

1. Draft Meeting Minutes for the May 24, 2016 Parks, Recreation and Culture Board Meeting

Adjournment

Motion by Bergley second by Lundeen to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Lutterman
Administrative Data Clerk