

**MINUTES
CITY OF ISANTI
CITY COUNCIL
August 20, 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, Finance Director Sarah Cotton, Police Chief Ron Sager, Police Lieutenant Gene Hill, and City Engineer Brad DeWolf

D. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Larson, 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 Larson, second by Johnson to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2013 regular meeting and budget work session of the City Council. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Citizens Input

None.

H. Announcements

Announcements were read.

I. Council Committee Reports

Councilor Larson reported on:

- **Elections Task Force**
 - Absentee Voting
- **Friends of the Isanti Area Library**
 - Marketing
 - Book Sales
- **Community Education**
 - Bond on November Ballot
- **Upcoming Events**

- Street Dance
- Farmers Market
- Buds, Suds and Vino
- Bridal Fair
- Home for the Holidays
- Santa Days

Mayor Wimmer stated all signed petition papers in regards to the Community Center need to be given to the City Council as soon as possible because the City is adopting the preliminary budget and levy at the next City Council meeting.

J. Public Hearings

None.

K. Business Items

1. Resolution 2013-162 Approving an Amendment to a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to Allow for Restaurant Seating Within Unit 1 Located on the Property at 303 Credit Union Drive NE

Mayor Wimmer stated this is for the China House restaurant to have seating; it was originally approved for a delivery and take-out restaurant only. There was consensus among Council to have no more than 10 seats for customers to stay and eat their meals.

Motion by Larson, second by Johnson to approve Resolution No. 2013-162, with no more than 10 seats, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolution 2013-163 Approving/Denying the Variance Requested by Amanda Volenski for a Variance to Reduce the Setback for a Privacy Fence Along a Public Right-of-Way for the Property Located at 1232 Deer Haven Drive SE

Wilson reported that Volenski is requesting a variance to keep her fence. Her fence was built in the public right-of-way. Planning Commission reviewed Volenski's request and there is no recommendation to the Council, there was a spilt vote.

Mayor Wimmer noted this matter seems to be a private issue between the property owner and the contractor and he is not sure why the City would grant a variance. Mayor Wimmer mentioned that he reviewed the contractor's building plans and that they were correct - the fencing was approved to be built out of the public right-of-way; the contractor did not build the fence according to the plans.

Volenski stated she was unaware that her fence was built within the public right-of-way.

Collison agreed with the Mayor's statement that this issue is between Volenski and the contractor.

Lindsay Berg, 1228 Deer Haven, asked why the City Building Inspector did not inspect the fence footings. Berg explained when her deck was built the City Building Inspector came out to ensure the footings were correctly placed. Berg further stated that if the Building Inspector had inspected the fence footings, the fence would have been built correctly.

Mayor Wimmer stated fences do not need to have their footings inspected; decks do because of their attachment to houses. If deck footings are not placed correctly, a deck potentially could move towards or away from a house.

Motion by Larson, second by Collison to approve Resolution No. 2013-163, denying the requested variance, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Consider Modification of City Code to Allow for City to Contract for Electrical Inspection Services and to Amend City Fee Schedule**
 - a. **Ordinance 560 Amending Chapter 111: Building Construction, Creating Article III: Minnesota Electrical Act**
 - b. **Resolution 2013-164 Authorizing a Contract for Electrical Inspection Services**
 - c. **Ordinance 561 Adding Electrical Inspection Fees to Chapter 160 of the City Code**
 - d. **Resolution 2013-165 Adopting Fees within the City of Isanti**

Motion by Lundeen, second by Johnson to approve Ordinance No. 560 and 561 along with Resolution No. 2013-164 and 2013-165 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Resolution 2013-166 Approving the Configuration of Remote Access for Authorized Employees and a Remote Access Policy/ Authorization Waiver**

Motion by Johnson, second by Larson to approve Resolution No. 2013-166 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

L. Approve Consent Agenda

1. Consider Accounts Payable in the Amount of \$292,346.89 and Payroll in the Amount of \$73,889.81
2. 2013 Railroad Avenue & Walk Improvements Pay Estimate No. 1 in the Amount of \$97,626.93
3. Final Minutes of the July 9, 2013 Planning Commission Meeting
4. **Resolution 2013-167** Regarding City Council Service Recognition
5. **Ordinance 562** Repealing Chapter 227 Parking and Storage in its Entirety and Replacing with New Provisions
6. **Resolution 2013-168** Approving an Amendment to a Special Event Permit for Wintergreen's / Arm's Reach
7. **Resolution 2013-169** Authorizing the Disposal of a Forfeited Vehicle
8. **Resolution 2013-170** Approving the Resignation of Part-Time Police Officer Nicholas Steiger
9. **Resolution 2013-171** Approving the Resignation of Part-Time Police Officer Jason Cederberg
10. **Resolution 2013-172** Authorizing to Enter into an Agreement Between the City of Isanti and Owls Hockey Club to Allow Parking a Motor Coach on City Property

Motion by Johnson, second by Lundeen 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 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karissa Henning
Human Resources/Deputy City Clerk