

City of Scanlon
City Council Minutes
April 10, 2024
5:30 pm

Pursuant to call, and with due notice Mayor, Ron Stigers called to order this meeting of the Scanlon City Council at 5:30 p.m. in the Scanlon City Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 10, 2024.

Roll Call: Mayor Ron Stigers, Scott Boedigheimer, Mike Berthiaume, Cody Grashorn, Annette Bryant, Jill Wartner – City Clerk, and Dave Line – Public Works.

City Attorney: Dennis Korman

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen Present: Mary Ann Johnson, Marshall Johnson, Lori Stigers, Jeff Goetzman, Thalia Foss, Emily Fisher, and Larry Sherk.

Agenda Additions: None, Motion to approve the agenda as is made by Scott Boedigheimer, second by Cody Grashorn. All in favor, motion carries.

Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the March 13, 2024 City Council Minutes, March 6, 2024 Flood Zone Public Hearing Minutes and March 6, 2024 Special City Council Meeting Minutes. March disbursements in the amount of \$70,017.38 and to file and receive March finance reports made by Cody Grashorn, second by Mike Berthiaume. All in favor, motion carries.

Charitable Gambling:

Reach – Lost Tavern, received February report, \$319.72 check received.

Wood City Riders – Rendezvous, received February report, \$796.79 check received.

Eagles Aeries 1163 – Trapper Pete, received February report, no check received.

Irving Community Club – River Inn, received February report, \$452.43 check received.

Total deposit for the month of March was \$1,568.94.

Communications

Cloquet Police Department – City Council has a copy of the March 2024 Police report in their packet. Cloquet reported 47 calls in March.

Building Inspector – City of Cloquet issued 1 building permit in March, 1 for plumbing.

City Engineer – Jeff Goetzman discussed that a grant was submitted to the state for MSA to assist Scanlon in completing the Lead and Copper Water Service Inventory Grant, that grant was approved. Discussion was also had in regards to the LRIP Grant for Tall Pine, that grant was recently denied.

City Attorney – Dennis thanks the Council for the opportunity to represent the City of Scanlon, he really enjoys it.

Public Works – Dave Presented

- Public Works would like approval to join MNWARN, MNWARN is a program other cities participate in to cooperate together on local emergencies/disasters, there is no fee
- Should we do re-lining in 2024, 2,988 feet still need to be re-lined, council would like to see the list of what needs to be re-lined, what's in the budget? And they would like to estimate streets separately
- Working with Scott on Siren, currently working on new siren pole placement at Sather Park
- Hockey and pleasure rink boards will come down as it dries up
- There is a pipe on Tall Pine that we don't know where it goes to, should we have it televised? Yes, council agrees it needs to be televised
- Waiting on 28th Street core samples

- International plow trucks needs new front plow cutting edge
- Both skid steer and backhoe need fluid and filter change, Ron asked who would do that maintenance, Dave said he would.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-5, MNWARN made by Scott Boedigheimer, second by Annette Bryant. All in favor, motion carries.

Scott brought up concerns about the condition of the Sather Park Warming House, the siding, soffit and fascia needs to be replaced and he suggests steel siding. Scott said he is willing to get an estimate and assist with the work.

Ron would like Dave to compare 2024 road work plans with the Sales Tax roadwork to see if anything is on that list.

Cody would like us to open up our land for residents to dump, Dave will work with Jill to determine dates and Jill will put in the upcoming newsletter.

Mayors/Council Update: No updates.

Citizen Comments: Emily Fisher is wondering if it's possible to get the alley closed off as a new land owner is wanting to build and would end up using the alleys almost as a driveway, council will look into but it looks like it's a public alley and cannot be vacated.

Maryann mentioned there are several signs around town that need to be removed as they are against City's ordinance, she also mentioned the road in front of her house needs work done.

Committee Reports:

City Property/Building Community Center Committee – None

Potential Renter/Daycare Update – None

Building Committee – No updates.

City Clerk Office –

Jill presented an email from the Gymnastics renter who is hoping to have her rent decreased over the summer month. She is asking for a decrease as she loses a lot of enrollment in the summer months and is considering going down to either one day/week or none at all. Council suggested she attend the May meeting to negotiate rent.

Jill presented that the Community Center repair budget is currently over budget. Would like to know if they want to move funds from the park board to cover the costs of moving the office, tabled until a later date. Annette would like a copy of the most recent budget.

Cloquet Fire Department: Marshall reported

- 10 applicants for the Community Risk Reduction Coordinator Position After initial interviews reduced to 5. They now have a recommendation on which applicant to hire.
- Changing ambulance billing company to a firm from Wisconsin rather than the national company that bought out our former provider.
- Changed to Duluth Technology Systems for IT support and cybersecurity services.
- Changing our website to a local company promoting Me LLC based in Cloquet.
- Hired 6 new on call personal
- Trouble finding paramedics. Do we cut back in level of ambulance service?

Park Department – Mike mentioned they will have a meeting sometime in May. Mike also mentioned the single benches need welding and that the woodchips were kicked out from under the swings.

Personnel Committee – Jill is working on updating the Personnel Policy to mirror the League of MN Cities template.

Planning Commission – Next meeting scheduled for May 8th @ 4:30PM.

Water and Sewer Department:

Motion to approve the water shut and adjustment reports made by Mike Berthiaume, second by Cody Grashorn. All in favor, motion carries.

Motion to approve the water loss report made by Annette Bryant, second by Cody Grashorn. All in favor, motion carries.

22nd Street Updates: Motion to approve Resolution 2024-06, 22nd Street Project Bid Acceptance made by Scott Boedigheimer, second by Mike Berthiaume. All in favor, motion carries.

Pending Tasks:

1. New homeowner was sent a letter stating they have until 9/1/2024 to complete repair work.
2. **Siren Replacement** – Dave and Scott working together to finalize work. Scott also mentioned he would like us to keep the old siren in use as well.

Old Business:

1. **Sales Tax** – Sales tax report was updated. Current balance is \$279,391.73
2. **Cable Commission** – Nothing new to report.
3. **WLSSD**
 - a) Monthly reports in the Council packet.

New Business: Thank you card from Ron and Lori Stigers

Committee Reports: Motion to approve all committee reports made by Annette Bryant, seconded by Mike Berthiaume. All in favor, motion carries.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made at 6:57pm made by Annette Bryant, second by Cody Grashorn. All in favor, motion carries.

Next City Council Meeting
May 8, 2024
5:30 pm

 Ron Stigers, Mayor

 Jill Wartner, City Clerk/Treasurer

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