

**CHISHOLM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Jugovich called the City Council meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilors Alexander, Benson, Cook, Drow, Novoselac, and Mayor Jugovich
Absent: None
Also Present: City Administrator Casey and City Attorney Cianni

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Benson and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt the Agenda with one addition under New Business: Item D-3 "Road Salt Purchase".

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Minnesota Association of Small Cities representatives David Engstrom, Director, and Jill Sletten, Lobbyist, made a presentation to the City Council and distributed information on the MAOSC. Eugene Beckman inquired when he would be contacted about the issues regarding his property after the 1st Avenue reconstruction. He also reported there were no longer lights on flags by the lake.

REPORTS

Building/Zoning Official-Steve Erickson reported the building demolition program through Iron Range Resources was now over for the year. He expressed appreciation for the program and thanked everyone involved. Also discussed were concerns about the City cutting long grass on private property.

City Administrator-Mark Casey gave an update on CDBG funding for the Center Drive project. He attended a meeting with Senator David Tomassoni and House Majority Leader Anthony Sertich. There will be meetings with the Northeast Bonding Tour on the 7th and 14th of October. He had met with Todd Nelson of Serving Hands and Lee Altman of the East Lake Street housing project, and things are moving along. The Fire Department and Police Department participated, along with emergency crews from other communities, in a live disaster drill at the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport. The Plat for Industrial Park will be completed shortly.

Other-Councilor Cook gave an update from the Rec Board meeting on the new announcer booth at the football field. The Planning and Zoning Commission reported the US Postal Service is looking to stream line mail delivery to new developments with centralized boxes or street boxes. A vacancy still exists on the Planning Commission. He reported the newly painted mural is now finished on 2nd Avenue on the Bark Design building, and thanked Billy Jon Butkovich and Troy Workman, the Northland Foundation and Valspar paints. Councilor Benson reported she had received numerous calls on non-compliance with the yellow bag system. Councilor Drow reported hearing concerns from citizens regarding the lack of parking on Lake Street near the Senior Center. An opening still exists on the Library Board. The Police Department is asking help from the public on the rash of vandalism in the community, and has asked citizens to report anything suspicious. Councilor Novoselac reported the Public Utilities Commission had discussed the frozen water line issues that residents have experienced after the last several street reconstruction projects, and Jim Johnson of SEH would discuss this issue later on the agenda. Mayor Jugovich also had met with Senator Tomassoni and Representative Sertich. Bonding meetings will be on October 7th and 14th. He reported "The Field of Screams" will relocate to the Minnesota Discovery Center. The rock wall by the football field is being repaired. He had attended a meeting at the airport where the Airport Authority had discussed a possible name change to the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport to encompass a more regional approach.

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ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Novoselac to adopt the Consent Agenda, including the list of bills, communications, minutes of the previous City Council meetings of the September 8, 2009 regular meeting and September 9, 2009 special meeting, payroll and overtime.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

MNDOT PROPOSED DETOUR AGREEMENT

This was an informational item.

ORDINANCE NO. 148, 2ND SERIES TO AMEND CH. 6-GAMBLING

Moved by Mayor Jugovich and supported by Councilor Benson to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 148, 2nd Series amending Chapter 6 entitled "Gambling".

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

ORDINANCE NO. 149, 2ND SERIES TO AMEND CH. 2-ADMIN. & GENERAL GOVT

Moved by Mayor Jugovich and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 149, 2nd Series amending Chapter 2, Administration and General Government for the Charitable Gambling Commission composition and duties.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

FREEZING WATER LINES-2ND STREET SW

Consulting Engineer Jim Johnson of SEH discussed possible solutions to the problem of frozen water lines after infrastructure replacement projects. This was an informational item at this time.

RES. NO. 0909-93 TO ACCEPT ALLEY WORK ON EAST CENTRAL AVENUE

Moved by Mayor Jugovich and supported by Councilor Benson to adopt Resolution No. 0909-93 to accept improvements to the alley located East of Central Avenue NW between West Lake Street and 1st Street NW and authorize final payment.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RES. NO. 0909-94 TO ACCEPT WORK ON 6TH STREET SW

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Cook to adopt Resolution No. 0909-94 to accept improvements completed on 6th Street SW between TH #73 and 4th Avenue SW, and authorize final payment on the contract.

Voting Aye:

Motion Carried

RES. NO. 0909-95 PURCHASE/TRANSFER OF PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSE

Moved by Councilor Benson and supported by Councilor Cook to adopt Resolution No. 0909-95, with the addition of a legal description, to request parcel 020-0210-00720 from St. Louis County through free conveyance for the purpose of public use and power line easement.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

CENTRAL IRON RANGE INITIATIVE RE: BROWNFIELD PROGRAM

This was an informational item only.

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MOASC 2009-2010 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Mayor Jugovich to approve the 2009-2010 membership dues with the Minnesota Association of Small Cities.

Voting Aye: Councilor Drow and Mayor Jugovich

Voting No: Councilors Alexander, Benson, Cook, Novoselac Motion Failed

DULUTH CHAMBER INVITATION

An invitation was extended to attend the Duluth Area Chamber of Commerce 139th Annual Meeting and Dinner Celebration on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, with guest speaker Senator Amy Klobuchar as the keynote speaker. This was an informational item.

ROAD SALT PURCHASE

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Benson to authorize the purchase of 130 tons of road salt from the Morton Salt Company of Superior, Wisconsin for a total cost of \$8,095.10.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

ADJOURN

Moved by Councilor Benson and supported by Councilor Novoselac to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:35 pm.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk-Treasurer