

**CHISHOLM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 13, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Alexander, Benson, Cook, Drow, Novoselac, Mayor Jugovich

Absent: None

Also Present: Administrator Casey, and City Attorney Cianni

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt the Agenda as presented.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no one present from the public that wished to address the Council.

REPORTS

City Administrator-Mark Casey reported 64% of the city's residents had returned their census forms, and he reminded the public to please fill out their forms and return them if they have not already done so. MNDOT will be working on bituminous patching within the month. An update was given on the NW area project. Hammerlund will be starting preliminary work Monday, with construction to start as soon as road restrictions are off. Joint training with Hibbing is going well. He, Steve Erickson, and Bob Brown had met with Benchmark, Fair Board representatives, St. Louis County and IRR officials to discuss the continuation of fairground projects. Applications for election judges can be picked up at City Hall. He had a conference call with Mr. Erickson and HR Green on sewer district building plans.

Consulting Engineer-Jim Johnson of SEH presented an update for the NW Area Project. A pre-construction conference was held Monday. The project is broken down into two phases. Staking for utility relocations to the west of 1st Avenue will begin shortly. Administrator Casey has contacted the school regarding bus routes.

Other-Councilor Alexander reported the Safety Committee reviewed the confined space policy, and discussed safety training for City employees and Casual Laborers. The Police Commission discussed the hiring of part-time officers, blight issues, and citations for non-compliance of City refuse bags. Councilor Drow reported there is still one opening on the Library Board. She also reported Arrowhead Transit offers services from Hibbing and Chisholm to those who work in Virginia, with pick-up at the Ironman statue at 7:05 am, and costing \$3.60 per day. Councilor Cook gave an update on CBA projects. The second phase of the rock wall project will begin shortly. The Longyear lake fountain fundraiser did very well. The Planning Commission is looking into windmill energy alternatives and ordinances. The platting of East Lake Street continues. Councilor Benson reported the CVFD truck has arrived. Orientation is currently going on for six new members. VFD members will undergo health screening. Fire restrictions are up due to very dry conditions. There will be a blood drive May 3rd at the ambulance garage. Mayor Jugovich attended the Fire Relief Association meeting. They discussed the current deficit and the need to budget for pension funding. The Hibbing and Chisholm council members met to work on joint safety training and other collaborative issues. Men as Peacemakers will meet April 15th at Valentini's Supper Club to initiate a discussion on how to reduce violence.

ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Benson and supported by Councilor Novoselac to accept the Consent Agenda, including the List of Bills, Communications, Minutes of the previous City Council meetings of the March 23, 2010 Regular Meeting, March 30, 2010 Special Budget Meeting, and March 31, 2010 Chisholm/Hibbing joint City Council meeting, Payroll, Work and Vacation Schedules.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RES. 0410-22 ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Novoselac to adopt Resolution No. 0410-22 authorizing the City to acquire tax forfeited land described as N 8 Ft of N ½ of E ½ of W ½ of E ½ of SE ¼ of NW ¼, Sec. 28, TWP 58, RGE 20, parcel code # 020- 0210-00720 for \$ 3,217.57, as established by St. Louis County.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RES. 0410-23 SALE OF PROPERTY TO DAVID AND RAISA KOTULA

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Cook to adopt Resolution No. 0410-23, authorizing the sale of property to David Kotula and Raisa Pavlovna Kotula for the sum of \$7,400.00 for construction of the Wendigo Pines Assisted Living and Memory Care facility.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

FILTERMAN/PIPEMAN POSTING

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Benson to approve the external posting of the Filterman/Pipeman position with changes as recommended by the Public Utilities Commission for a class D water license and a class B driver's license.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RES. 0410-14 ADOPT ASSESSMENT FOR ALLEY E OF CENTRAL AVENUE

Moved by Councilor Benson and supported by Councilor Cook to adopt Resolution No. 0410-14 to adopt the proposed assessment for the improvement of the alley East of Central Avenue, between East Lake Street and 1st Street NE.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

STREET DANCES

This was an informational item. No action was taken at this time.

RES. 0410-21 FOR COUNTY CRACKSEALING PROGRAM 2010

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt Resolution No. 0410-21 for execution of Cooperative Agreement MP 10022 Cracksealing 2010 and other related documents as may be necessary for participation in the Cracksealing 2010 Program.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

APPLICATION TO SELL CIGARETTES

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to approve the Cigarette License application of Eric Gallagher for KaNuke's located at 2 ½ West Lake Street.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Councilor Novoselac and supported by Councilor Benson to recess the City Council meeting to Executive Session at 6:16 pm to discuss the Side Letter of Understanding for the Police Chief Contract.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

RECESS EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Benson to recess Executive Session at 7:26 pm.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

ADJOURN

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Benson to adjourn the City Council meeting at 7:29 pm.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

s// Michael A. Jugovich
Mayor

Attest:

s// Mark Casey
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer