

**CHISHOLM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 14, 2011**

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, Cook, Drow, Novoselac, and Mayor Jugovich

Absent: Councilor Benson

Also Present: Chief Manner, City Administrator Casey and Attorney Cianni.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt the agenda with one addition to New Business: Fire Department Pager Purchase.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Larry Folstad with Northern Traxx ATV thanked the Council & Community for their support. Although progress has been slow, they have secured all land permits to move forward. Various agencies (EPA, DNR, etc.) need to review before final approval. They will update the council as progress continues.

John Fedo with CIRI gave an update on the EPA Grant which was awarded for \$726,500 for Brownfield EPA clean-up. Funds will be used for assessing land that is underutilized or not utilized. The various communities which were awarded funds from the grant can identify the sites. A Memorandum of Agreement with the EPA & the communities is needed before proceeding. This will be addressed at the next CIRI meeting on June 29, 2011.

Barb Dobson representing SWOP thanked the Council for the continued support and gave a list of clean-up projects that have been completed.

Ed Zakrzewski with Northern Traxx ATV announced the next ATV training class will be on August 6, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the MN Discovery Center. The class size is 30 & filling up fast. He asked for volunteers to assist with the training.

REPORTS

Fire Dept. – Fire Chief Brad Anderson reported the air-pack testing is taking place; Fire fighters 1 & 2 almost done. Pump testing for the trucks; the Ironman statue has been cleaned; assisting with Safety Town; attended the Balkan Twp. meeting regarding underground tanks & will attend the next Balkan meeting on June 16, 2011.

Engineering Dept. – Jim Johnson gave an update on the NW area, a newsletter is being mailed to update residents. He encourages them to not mow the sod too short. The contractor will be paving the week of July 4, 2011; 6th Street SW plans are at MnDOT for approval. Bid approval will take place the month of July; Hwy 73 / 9th Ave needs gravel repaired, the silt fence near the Terry Samsa residence will be taken down.

EDA / CDA – Amy Rice gave an update on the Community Business Partnership Grant, the balance as of June 1, 2011 is \$84,559.26.

Police Dep. – Chief Manner reminded the public that it is illegal to blow grass clippings onto public streets. This creates problems with our sanitary sewer system. If citizens are found doing this, they can be fined. Council members are receiving complaints from citizens regarding driving and noise complaints. Chief Manner asks the public to contact the Police Department directly.

Administration – Administrator Casey gave an update regarding the potential Legislative shut-down & how it would affect the City, we would receive our funding but it will be delayed; Attended a work session put on by IRRRB as to what is working, not working & should be changed; Water meter update, meter replacement could start as early as July 11, 2011 and be completed in 3 to 4 weeks. The water quality report was mailed to residents, Chisholm had a very good report; Energy Grant update: met with The Design Group & Steve Erickson, project commencing soon.

Other–Councilor Cook reported he attended the Rec Board meeting, the CBA & Rec Board are working together to keep the ball fields in good shape. If residents see vandalism at the fields or in other areas he would advise them to contact the police department. Councilor Drow met with Joe Sertich regarding the ambulance vehicle replacement/purchase. A special meeting will take place for approval of this; there are two openings on the Library Board, they meet 4 times per year if anyone is interested in

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servicing; Pigeon concerns were expressed, solutions are being explored; Attended Beyond the Ribbon program meeting, the next meeting is June 29, 2011.

Councilor Alexander attended the Police Commission meeting & reported the blight issue is at 85% completed as of June 1, 2011; Background checks on future police officers will be conducted; Nashwauk's request for police assistance during 4th of July was denied by the Police Commission. St. Louis County Fair request for officers to patrol area is being considered; request for patrol at the Airshow was tabled until the next meeting. Councilor Novoselac reported concern from a resident regarding a drainage issue. Per Steve Erickson, this will be corrected with re-grading during the new construction. Mayor Jugovich attended the Chamber Board meeting, the State of the City address will be in September; Spoke at the Chisholm/Hibbing Rotary Club breakfast & membership drive; Recommendation to instill exit interviews with departing employees.

ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Cook to accept the Consent Agenda as presented, including the List of Bills, Communications, Minutes of the previous May 24, 2011 Regular Meeting, Payroll and Overtime.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

New Business:

CRUSHING BIDS

Bid information for the crushing of boulder, concrete and bituminous materials for aggregate stockpiling project.

**RESOLUTION 0611-57/BOULDER/CONCRETE/BITUMINOUS MATERIAL CRUSHING
FOR AGGREGATE STOCKPILING**

Moved by Councilor Alexander and supported by Councilor Cook to adopt Resolution No. 1611-57 accepting the bid from KGM Contractors, Inc. of Angora, MN in the amount of \$193,400.00 for the crushing of boulder, concrete and bituminous materials for aggregate stockpiling.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

**AMENDED RESOLUTION 0411-42/ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL STATE AID
STREETS**

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Novoselac to adopt amended Resolution No. 0411-42 establishing 6th Street SE/ East Iron Drive from Central Avenue to CSAH #67 as a municipal state aid street.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

AMENDED RESOLUTION 0411-43/REVOKING MUNICIPAL STATE AID STREETS

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to adopt Amended Resolution No. 0411-43 revoking 2nd Avenue NW from 1st Street NW to 8th Street NW (111-241-040 through 060).

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

DUMPSTER RENTAL INFORMATION

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Alexander to approve the revised dumpster information policy adding a \$10.00 fee for unused dumpsters.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP (DROP OFF ONLY)

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Alexander to approve the city wide cleanup (drop off only) dates of July 11–15, 2011, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the City Garage.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT PAGER PURCHASE

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Drow to approve the purchase of 15 pagers for the fire department.

Voting Aye: All

Motion Carried

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RESOLUTION 0511-55 ACCEPTING DONATION OF FLAGS

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Alexander to accept the donation of flags for the Bridge of Peace from Chisholm Hibbing Aviation Days (George Lambert)
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION PAYMENT

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Novoselac to pay the Chisholm Fire Relief Association payment of \$15,597.00.
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES / UNORGANIZED TOWNSHIP 59-21

Moved by Councilor Cook and supported by Councilor Alexander to authorize a 2.5% county levy increase over 2011 for 2012 (amount of \$14,353.00) fire protection services within TWP 59-21.
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

POST INTERNAL POSITION FOR PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK DRIVER

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Novoselac to approve the internal job posting for Public Works Truck Driver.
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 0611-56/ACCEPTING EPA CIRI GRANT

Moved by Councilor Drow and supported by Councilor Cook to accept the US EPA Brownfield Grant on behalf of CIRI in the amount of \$726,500.00.
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

REVIEW CITY ORDINANCE BOOK

Informational only at this time, will seek bids for reviewing our City Ordinances.

CHISHOLM FAMILY HONORARY CITIZENS WEEK

Declaring week of June 30, 2011 through July 7, 2011 Chisholm Family Honorary Citizens week.

ADJOURN MEETING

Moved by Councilor Drow and Supported by Councilor Cook to adjourn the regular city council meeting at 6:44 p.m.
Voting Aye: All Motion Carried

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk-Treasurer