

**CHISHOLM CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 23, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Champa called the City Council Meeting to order in the City Hall Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

Mesaba TV arrived late. The taping of the meeting started at 5:38 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members April Fountain, Marty Halverson, Adam Lantz, Cheyenne Mikkola-Rahja, Travis Vake and Mayor John A. Champa

Absent: None

Also Present: Administrator Stephanie Skraba, Attorney Collen Kosluchar from Trenti Law Firm, Confidential Administrative Assistant Susan Trunk and Donna Rahkola from Mesabi Community TV.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Fountain and supported by Councilor Lantz to adopt the agenda with the following additions: 1) Resolution No. 1122-102 Certify Assessment to County 2023, 2) Information on Small Towns potential pilot for Chisholm, 3) Application for CIRSSD Board, 4) Application for Airport Authority Director.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Mikkola-Rahja, Lantz, Vake and Mayor Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The were no public participants

REPORTS

Councilor Fountain, no report.

Councilor Halverson, no report

Councilor Lantz, no report.

Councilor Mikkola-Rahja, no report.

Councilor Vake, no report

Mayor Champa reminded everyone that there will be a St. Louis County Board Meeting held in Chisholm Council Chambers on Tuesday, November 29th at 9:30 am. Mayor Champa met with the Heritage Manner Administrator to discuss concerns presented about noise and truck traffic that were presented at the October 26th Council Meeting. Due to the kitchen being relocated from the basement at the request of the state, the deliveries changed location. Heritage Manor is not doing anything wrong. There is nothing that can be done about the noise of the generator. Parking is also an issue.

Ambulance Director Davis, absent.

Fire Chief Masucci, absent.

Police Chief Manner, absent

City Building Official/Zoning Administrator Galli, absent

City Engineer Johnson, absent

Public Works Supervisor Folstad, absent

Parks/Trails/Recreation Director Maruska, absent

Library Supervisor Christenson, absent

City Attorney Lindsay, absent

Clerk-Treasurer Zah, absent

Administrator Skraba reported that there is a Public Hearing on December 5th, 2022 for rezoning. Maps of the rezoning will be displayed at the meeting.

ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilor Vake and supported by Councilor Halverson to Accept the Consent Agenda, including the List of Bills, Communications, Meeting Minutes from the November 15, 2022 Joint Meeting with Balkan, Payroll and overtime.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

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2023 CIGARETTE LICENSE AND MECHANICAL AMUSEMENT LICENSE

Moved by Councilor Lantz and supported by Councilor Mikkola-Rahja to approve applications for Cigarette License and Mechanical Amusement License contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1122-101 IRRR DEMO GRANT

Moved by Councilor Fountain and supported by Councilor Mikkola-Rahja to adopt Resolution No. 1122-101 to accept funding from the IRRR for the internal demo of 19 W Lake Street.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

**HIRING COMMITTEE SELECTION FOR AMBULANCE
DIRECT/EMERGENCY MANAGER**

Moved by Councilor Lantz and supported by Councilor Vake to approve hiring committee members: Clerk-Treasurer Zah, Police Chief Manner, Administrator Skraba, Councilor Mikkola-Rahja and Councilor Halverson to select the Ambulance Director/Emergency Manager.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Moved by Councilor Vake and supported by Councilor Lantz to schedule a public hearing on December 14th, 2022 at 5:00 pm for the Public Safety Building.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1122-102 CERTIFY ASSESSMENT TO COUNTY 2023

Moved by Councilor Fountain and supported by Councilor Halverson to adopt Resolution No. 1122-102 to certify assessments to the county for 2023.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

**APPOINT CENTRAL IRON RANGE SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT
COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Moved by Councilor Lantz and supported by Councilor Halverson to appoint Jed Holewa to the Central Iron Range Sanitary Sewer District for a 3 year term beginning on January 1, 2023.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

APPOINT AIRPORT AUTHORITY DIRECTOR

Moved by Councilor Vake and supported by Councilor Fountain to appoint Jeannie Quirk to the Airport Authority Director position representing Chisholm beginning on January 1, 2023.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
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Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

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RECESS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by Councilor Vake supported by Councilor Fountain to recess the Regular Meeting to a closed session due to MN Statute 13d.03(b) to receive attorney -client privileged information at 5:54 pm.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Adjourned Closed Session at 6:01 pm

Reconvened Regular Meeting at 6:01 pm

ADJOURN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by Councilor Lantz supported by Councilor Vake to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:02 pm.

Voting Aye: Councilors Fountain, Halverson, Lantz, Mikkola-Rahja, Vake and Mayor
Champa

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Attest:

/s/ John A. Champa, Mayor

/s/ Stephanie Skraba, Administrator