

**VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA, APRIL 14, 2020**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia, Minnesota, was called to order by Mayor Cuffe, Jr. at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

Present: Councillor Paulsen, Friedlieb, Johnson, Baribeau, Biondich, Baranzelli, Mayor Cuffe, Jr. (7)

Absent: None

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Johnson to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval/correction of minutes of Regular Meeting held March 24, 2020 and the Special Meeting held March 31, 2020 and April 6, 2020
2. Adoption of Finance Resolution No. 20-007 Schedule of Bills.
3. Approve the renewal of the 2am Liquor License/Permit for Martini Inc. d/b/a Tommy's Rainy Lake Saloon & Deli

Motion carried

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 20060 to accept the COVID 19 Response Grant for Short Term Emergency Funding. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve modifications to City of Virginia Public Improvement and Special Assessment Policy. Motion Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 7, 2020

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to adopt Resolution 20061 to apply for and accept funding from IRRRB for the Demolition of the Midway Motel. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to allow staff to contact MnDOT to set a meeting to discuss the opening of Cuyuna Drive. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the amendment to the Professional Services Contract contract with SEH for the 2021/2023 Street Project. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 20062 awarding the contract for 418 Pass Through Park and the Virginia Public Library Entrance Projects and award the bid to Max Gray Construction in the amount of \$230,136.50

Aye: Councillor Friedlieb, Paulsen, Biondich, Johnson, Mayor Cuffe, Jr. (5)

Nay: Councillor Baranzelli, Baribeau

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Paulsen to authorize SEH to advertise for bids for the Bailey's Lake Trail Project. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 20063 awarding the Ewen's Field Redevelopment Project for the stadium and track demolition, MECC Phase I, to Mesabi Bituminous in the amount of \$144,391.44 Motion Carried.

It was discussed to have the public works and Bryan Silber review the bleachers or anything that may be salvaged for repurpose by the City.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 20064 approving the quote from Midwest Playscapes for the purchase of playground equipment for Pine Mill Court Park. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Paulsen to adopt Resolution 20065 accepting the grant funds from the Minnesota Department of Labor OSHA Grant in the amount of \$10,000 to replace the security access system at City Hall. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to adopt Resolution 20066 approving to enter into a lease agreement with Per-Mar Security for the Access Control System at City Hall in the amount of \$26,167.00 with a monthly maintenance fee of \$925.00

Ayes: Councillor Johnson, Baranzelli, Paulsen, Biondich, Friedlieb (5)

Nay: Councillor Baribeau, Mayor Cuffe, Jr. (2)

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 20067 for transfers to the Special Revenue, Debt Service, Capital Projects, Enterprise and General Funds for year ending December 31, 2019. Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 20068 to proceed with the process for repair or removal of hazardous conditions or blighted structures on the property located at 110 3rd Street South. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Biondich to adopt Resolution 20069 to proceed with the process for repair or removal of hazardous conditions or blighted structures on the property located 707 9th Street North. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 20070 to proceed with the process for repair or removal of hazardous conditions or blighted structures on the property located 901 ½ Avenue South. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Biondich, supported by Councillor Johnson to adopt Resolution 20071 to proceed with the process for repair or removal of hazardous conditions or blighted structures on the property located at 1006 2nd Avenue South. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the proposal for the asbestos demolition inspection and project design for the Miner’s Memorial Building and Ewens Field from IEA cost of \$2,750.00. Motion Carried.

#### COMMISSION LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. gave an update on the stay at home order. The elected officials are trying to comply with the orders and struggling to make ends meet as well. Mayor Cuffe, Jr. thanked the essential workers at the City.

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m. to Tuesday April 28, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

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Larry Cuffe, Jr. Mayor

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Pamela LaBine, City Clerk

