

**VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA, May 14, 2019**

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: Councillors Johnson, Paulsen, Baranzelli, Biondich, Baribeau, Mayor Cuffe Jr. (7)

Absent: None

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. read the proclamations for Public Works Week and National Police Officers Week.

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

1. Approval/correction of minutes of Regular Meeting held April 23, 2019
2. Adoption of Finance Resolution No. 19-009 Schedule of Bills.
3. Approve Temporary Liquor License for the Lyric Center on May 22, 2019
4. Approve the following Transient Merchant Licenses:  
Ofelia Jonas, D/B/A First Philipina Food Stand  
Virginia Daniel Hightower, D/B/A TNT Fireworks
5. Approve the following travel requests:  
A) Jason Picard to attend the Street Smart Cop Training August 28 & 29, 2019 in Duluth MN cost of \$214.00  
B) Chief Mattson, Officer Grivna, Deputy Chief Chad Nickila, Mayor Cuffe, Jr. to attend the MPPOA Awards Ceremony on June 8, 2019 in Alexandria, MN cost of \$700.80 total

Motion Carried

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. congratulated Office Grivna for being nominated Officer of the Year. The Ceremony will be held in Alexandria on June 8, 2019.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to adopt Resolution 19073 authorizing the execution of a State and Federal Grant Receipt Pledge Agreement for the Eveleth/Virginia Airport. Resolution adopted unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the request from Jeff

Peterson, Popper's Bar, requesting permission to block off the 100 block of Chestnut Street from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, 2019, to hold a bean bag tournament. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Biondich to adopt Resolution 19074 authorizing approval of the agreement to use Olcott Park for the Land of the Loon Festival June 13-16, 2019. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Johnson to approve the request for a Parade Permit for the Land of the Loon Parade on Saturday, June 15, 2019. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to accept the resignation of Michael Bergerson from the Eveleth/Virginia Airport Commission. Motion Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole Meeting held May 7, 2019

At the Committee of the Whole meeting the approval for the Land of the Loon Street Dance was tabled until more information is provided.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve SEH to advertise for quotes for the Virginia Public Library ADA Steps and Ramp Project. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve to hire six temporary summer seasonal laborers and three baseball coaches for the 2019 season. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to authorize seeking applications for two full time Utility Workers for the Parks and Recreation Department. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 19075 for the proposed increases in the Virginia Fire Department Rescue Vehicle Charges. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Paulsen to appoint City Administrator Britt Seebenes, Fire Chief Lewis, Councillor Biondich, and an IAFF union representative as members of the Shared Services Task Force. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt a Resolution for the sale of City Parcel, PC# 090-0074-00070, Lot 3, Block 2, Fairview Addition in the amount of \$30,000.(1<sup>st</sup> reading) Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Biondich to adopt Resolution 19076 accepting the donation of property located at 231 2<sup>nd</sup> Street North from Range Mental Health. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 19079 to approve the land swap between the City and ISD 706 for property adjacent to Parkview School. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Johnson to approve the request to close the 100 Block of North 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue West on Thursday from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. for the Virginia Farmers Market beginning June through October. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Paulsen to authorize the donation of the City owned stock of blue bags to a non-profit organization. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 19077 to submit a grant application to the Virginia Community Foundation for the 418 Pass Thru Park. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Biondich to adopt Resolution 19078 to submit a grant application to the Virginia Community Foundation for the Pine Mill Court Park. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve the request from the Land of the Loon Committee to use six to eight golf carts for the Land of the Loon event June 13-16, 2019. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Biondich to rescind the motion regarding

approval of the AEOA request for a letter of support for the Live Well at Home Grant. Motion Carried.

COMMISSION LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Councillor Johnson read an announcement regarding mental health challenges and how to cope with them.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. gave an update on the following items:

- The Dustin Damm Walk will be held in Olcott Park on Wednesday, June 15, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.
- The polls are open until 8:00 p.m. today to vote on the school referendum.
- The Angel of Hope Memorial Park is accepting orders for tiles through tomorrow, May 15, 2019. If interested in purchasing a tile contact a committee member at 218-749-5642.

The Regular Council meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m. to Tuesday, May 28, 2019 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