

VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA, June 26, 2018

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia, Minnesota, was called to order by Mayor Cuffe Jr. at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

Present: Councillors Paulsen, Friedlieb, Johnson, Baribeau, Baranzelli, Mayor Cuffe, Jr.(5)

Absent: Councillor Paulsen, Johnson (2)

Mayor Cuffe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

1. Approval/correction of minutes of Regular Meeting held June 12, 2018
2. Adoption of Finance Resolution No. 18-012 Schedule of Bills

Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the transfer of City Property to Bradford Saxhaug & William Jones d/b/a Saxhaug Construction. 1st reading. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to adopt Resolution 18095 appointing Larry Cuffe, Jr. to the Charter Commission for a four year term. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. noted that this agreement with the medical director was agreed to in April of 2016 but was not official approved by the Council.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the agreement for the Physician Medical Director for the Virginia Fire Department EMS program retro to April 1, 2016 and will automatically be renewed on a yearly basis. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the Election Judge list for the 2018 Primary and General Elections. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole Meeting held on June 19, 2018

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve an easement of 100 sq. ft. on the City property located on the NE ¼ of Lot 17, Block 24 Virginia Plat to allow Lakeview Place, LLC to erect a sign in that location. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to allow city staff to work with Mr. Vidmar on the purchase of City owned lots 6 & 7 on Block 76 in the 2nd addition to Virginia. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the purchase of two docks for Silver Lake from F. Gams Enterprises, LLC at a cost of \$15,136 to be paid for by the Lakes Beautification Committee Fund. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve to proceed with the grant process to seek up to \$25,000 for the construction of a dog park. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to allow City staff to present the estimate to the Salvation Army for the repair of the drainage issues on their property located at 12th Avenue. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Baribeau to proceed with the CDBG Grant contracts for the repair of the 100 Block on 10th Street South. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to table the quotes to review, modify, and reorganize the City zoning, subdivision and platting ordinances. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 18096 requesting the County convey to the City the tax forfeit property Parcel No. 090-0010-14520 located at 702 South 3rd Street and for the City to convey the property to Habitat for Humanity to erect a single family home. Aye-Baribeau, Baranzelli, Jorgensen, Mayor Cuffe, JR.

Nay-Friedlieb

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to table approval allowing the City to purchase the parcel owned by Mr. Malovrh that is located in Midway for \$90,000 for future development.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the Park & Recreation Director job description with the addition of verbiage to the job description to include “Compatible or preferred experience. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the Public Works Supervisor job description. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to approve the job description for the 0.5 FTE Administrative Assistant - HR/Safety. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the job description for the 0.5 FTE Accounting Clerk I. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the School Resource Officer contract for the 2018 – 2019 school-year for the ISD 706 with an increase the contract amount by 3% contingent upon approval by the school board. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to propose VEDA review the quote for approval of payment for 529 Chestnut Street concept design services. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the quote from Wiikwaibaan, Inc. for the upgrade to the Alpeanna lift station and to install a new panel at a cost of \$10,925. Motion Carried.

COMMISSION LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Councillor Baribeau attended the VPUC meeting on June 25, 2018. The conversion of gas lines are going well and are currently ahead of schedule. The North Dakota PUC will be finalizing the contract and will take effect on July 2, 2018.

City Clerk Pamela LaBine gave an update on the Primary and General Elections to be held on Tuesday, August 14 and Tuesday, November 6, 2018. The absentee ballot applications and new voter registrations are available.

Finance Director Sherry Erickson informed the Council that the 2017 annual audit is completed. The city will not need to apply for an extension.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. thanked the Parks & Recreation and Public Works for the great job they did during the Land of the Loon event.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. and City Administrator See-Benes testified at the State Legislature regarding the LCCMR grant request for \$681,000. This funding will help with the Baileys Lake area \$581,000 for the trail system and \$100,000 for the pier. The project would begin in 2019.

The Miners Memorial Building presentation regarding the survey results will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27th at the Miner's Building in the North room.

The pass through park at 418 Chestnut Street is moving forward. The City has received input from residents regarding the design of the park. Discussion regarding the three issues in Virginia, urban development, downtown revitalize and repairing of road and streets.

The Rural Child Care Innovation Program was successful in securing a grant to facilitate child care in the City of Virginia.

The garbage rate will be increased on July 1, 2018 to \$16 per month and the blue bags are no longer required to be used. It was also suggested for the residents to continue to recycle. This will reduce waste going to the landfills and also extend the life of the landfill.

Minnesota Employment Economic Development has awarded the City of Virginia \$13,590 for the contamination cleanup of 118 Chestnut Street.

Councillor Jorgensen discussed the 118 Chestnut Street project. This is the first project to target revitalization in the City. The plan is to renovate and resell the property to generate taxes.

Councillor Friedlieb attended the LMC annual conference. He thanked the City for the great opportunity to network with others around the state.

The meeting was adjourned at 7: 28 p.m. to Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Larry Cuffe, Jr. Mayor

Pamela LaBine, City Clerk