

VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA, September 25, 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.(7)

Absent: None

Mayor Cuffe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

1. Approval/correction of minutes of Regular Meeting held September 11, 2018
2. Adoption of Finance Resolution No. 18-018 Schedule of Bills
3. Approve the 2 a.m. liquor license renewal for Flaimer's, Inc. D/B/A Flaimer's
4. Approve the Exempt Permit for Quad Cities Rotary Club to hold a raffle on October 25, 2018 at the Quality Inn and Suites
5. Approve Pay Estimate #2 to Gardner Builders for the Olcott Park Fountain Project in the amount of \$157,611.03
6. Approve the travel request for Sue Lien to attend the BCA users conference in St Cloud from September 25-27, 2018 at a cost of \$532.38

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 18134 for Change Order #1 and Final Pay Estimate to Upper Midwest Athletic Construction, Inc. for the Tennis Court Reconditioning Project in the amount of \$36,800.00 Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 18135 to approve the Facilities Use Agreement for ISD #706 at the Miners Memorial Building. Resolution Adopted

Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve the parade route for the ISD #706 Homecoming Parade on September 28, 2018 and provide barricades to block the street. Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Meeting held on September 18, 2018

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to approve extending the SBB, Inc. first right of refusal on City property located on 4th Street North until the first Committee of the Whole meeting in April 2019. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 18136 to approve change order #2 with Gardner Builders, LLC for the Olcott Fountain in the amount of \$20,008.71. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to allow the Friends of the Greenhouse to seek grants to provide ADA accessibility to the North portion of the greenhouse. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Baribeau to deny the purchase of Parcel 090-0030-01790 located at 128 5th Street South from St. Louis County. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 18137 to purchase Parcel 090-0062-00530, land adjacent to 9th Avenue South, Outlot A. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to refer back to Planning & Zoning two appeals regarding incompliance with blight issues and hold the fines in abeyance until determination has been made by Planning and Zoning. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Paulsen to adopt Resolution 18138 to approve the Professional Services Agreement with SEH for the 12th Avenue West Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$86,900. Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to table the Fire Department travel

request for two firefighters to attend CT Women in the Fire Service for further discussion. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to approve the quote to purchase five light standard replacement globes from JT Services at a cost of \$11,636.00 Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Johnson to adopt Resolution 18139 to approve the purchase of a replacement liner for the anaerobic digester at the Waste Water Treatment Plant from WesTech at a cost of \$83,600 Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 18140 to approve the purchase of the Challenger Play System and related equipment and the pour in place rubber matting for the Midway (Taconite Drive) playground for a total cost of \$70,498.40 Resolution Adopted Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the updated mutual aid agreement with various agencies of the Arrowhead Emergency Medical Services Association. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the Development agreement with Twin Cities Hospitality, LLC with the addition of the addendum regarding the loan after the sale of property to Twin Cities Hospitality, LLC. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to set the Regular Council meeting and the Truth and Taxation meeting for December 11, 2018 and to hold the Truth and Taxation meeting at 6:01 p.m. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to allow City staff to work with St. Louis County and ISD #706 regarding the parking issues on 5th Avenue South and bring to the Council for review. Motion Carried.

Personnel Committee Meeting held on September 18, 2018

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor to Johnson to approve proceeding with the preliminary job description and salary structure for an IT Manager for the City and Police Department. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the Management Control

agreement recommended by the FBI CJIS Security Policy for the overall supervision of all City of Virginia Police Department systems. Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Paulsen to appoint the Personnel Chair Mayor Cuffe, Jr. and Councillor Baranzelli to be present for the Park and Recreation Director interviews. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to allow City staff to gather the proper information for the proposed organizational chart, renaming of positions, develop a salary structure for Deputy Chief and to present to the Council at a Special meeting. Motion Carried.

COMMISSION LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Councillor Friedlieb attended the library meeting and gave an update on the summer reading program. There is a fall schedule of events available on the website. The Friends of the Library will be having a book sale beginning Wednesday, September 25, 2018.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to set the next COW for October 30, 2018. Motion Carried

Councillor Baribeau suggested holding off on the water testing on the Olcott Fountain because of the issues with the weather. Councillor Jorgensen noted that it was decided to try it out to learn the proper techniques for filling and draining the fountain.

Councillor Johnson informed the public of the Fire Department Anniversary Celebration on October 9th beginning at 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the fire hall. It is also fire prevention week.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Paulsen to allow the construction of up to a 100 square foot temporary storage structure by volunteers for use by the Farmers Market with said structure to be stored by the City when the Farmers Market closes for the season and stored under the discretion of the City. Motion Carried.

The City Clerk informed the public that the ballots are ready to begin absentee voting for the General Election. Residents can come to City Hall to fill out an absentee ballot application and vote at that time or they can call and request an application by mail. The application will need to be completed and returned to the Clerk's office and a ballot will then be mailed to them.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. informed the Council that a thank you note was received from Ron Jerich as he was injured in an accident.

A 25 passenger bus will be leaving from the Miner's Memorial Building on Wednesday, September 26th at 6:30 a.m. to tour two Community/Convention center facilities. The first stop is the Heritage Center in Duluth and then the Sanford Center in Bemidji. The bus will return about 4:30 p.m. the same day. The facility manager

will give a tour of their facilities to get a variety of ideas for the potential Miner's renovation. Crookston and Thief River Falls are being set up for tours also.

On September 27th at 12 noon and 6:00 p.m. there will be a question and answer session regarding the ballot questions for the School Levy and the Miners Sales Tax at the Miners Memorial Building.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. informed the public of the list of properties that are set to be demolished.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. and Councillor Baribeau attended the meeting regarding the Essar site in Nashwauk and will give a synopsis of the meeting that will be sent out to the Council.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. to Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.