

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting is officially called to order at 5:30 p.m. on August 3, 2021. This meeting is being presided over by Mayor Brian Holmer.

PLEDGE OF ALEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The following Councilmembers were present: Holmer, Lorenson, McCraw, Bolduc, Narverud, Howe and Prudhomme arrived at 5:36 p.m. Aarestad was absent. Mayor Holmer chaired the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

- Kim Rosendahl with Elite Athletics and Ethan Klaphake, approached the council requesting that Elite Athletics be reimbursed for lost revenues during the days he has had to be closed while the arena has been closed for emergency purposes.. Kim understands the reasoning for additional police in Thief River Falls utilizing Ralph.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPROVE AGENDA

Councilmember Howe motioned, being seconded by Councilmember Lorenson, to approve the agenda.

On vote being taken, the agenda was unanimously passed. Councilmember Prudhomme was not present for vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 08.180.21: Approval of July 20, 2021 Council Proceedings

Following discussion, Councilmember Narverud introduced Resolution No. 8-180-21, being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, that:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve July 20, 2021 Council and Hearing Proceedings.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed. Councilmember Prudhomme was not present for vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 08.181.21: City of Thief River Falls Bills and Disbursements

Following discussion, Councilmember Narverud introduced Resolution No. 8-181-21, being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, that:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, to authorize payment of bills and disbursements in the total amount of \$2,006,593.68. A printout of the approved payments, disbursements and per diems are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed. Councilmember Prudhomme was not present for vote.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 08.182.21: Approval of Vacation of Street Right-of-Way

Following discussion, Councilmember Narverud introduced Resolution No. 8.182.21, being seconded by Councilmember Lorenson, that:

WHEREAS, This street right-of-way was dedicated to the city when Greendale Manufactured Home Park was being developed to facilitate the construction of a loop road. When the streets were constructed, cul-de-sacs were built rather than the loop road. As a result, this property was not needed, and mobile homes were placed partially on a portion of this right-of-way.

WHEREAS, Snettings are in the process of cleaning up any title issues in the park and are requesting this right-of-way be vacated and deeded to them. This was discussed in 2012 when the Greenwood Street underpass was constructed with agreement from the city and the process was never formally completed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve a call for hearing at the Tuesday, August 17th council meeting at 5:30 P.M. to consider the vacation of street right-of-way adjacent to the Canadian Pacific Railroad in Greendale Manufactured Home Park as legally described in the attached Hearing notice and dedicate the full right-of-way to Leslie Snetting.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 08.183.21: Letter to Support the USDA Rural Cooperative Development Grant Proposal

Following discussion, Councilmember Narverud introduced Resolution No. 8.183.21, being seconded by Councilmember Howe, that:

WHEREAS, Through AURI's Cooperative Development Center's proposal, Thief River Falls would benefit through one of the proposed projects. The Northern Pride Cooperative project would help grow an established industry in the region with direct benefits to the city. The feasibility assessment of adding an additional processing line will increase markets for local growers and will create and retain jobs and generate economic growth to the region.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve Brian Holmer, Mayor to sign a letter of support of the USDA Rural Cooperative Development Grant Proposal from the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute's Cooperative Development Center.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS

- Mayor Holmer attended the Coalition of Greater MN Cities and was installed to serve as Vice President of the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities (CGMC) on July 30 at the Coalition's summer conference in Alexandria.

- Mayor Holmer also received the Excellence in Service Award from CGMC on July 29 at the Coalition's summer conference in Alexandria.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Utilities Committee - August 9th at 7:00 a.m.
2. Public Safety/Liquor Committee - August 9th at 4:30 p.m.
3. Administrative Services Committee - August 10th at 3:00 p.m.
4. Public Works Committee - August 11th at 4:30 p.m.
5. City Council Meeting - August 17th at 5:30 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Letter from Public Works Director, Travis Giffen to request Mn Dot to change the street light timing back to the way it was on Highway 32 was successful.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Bolduc moved, being seconded by Councilmember Narverud to adjourn at 5:41 p.m. On vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried.



Brian D. Holmer, Mayor

Attest:



Angela Philipp, City Administrator