

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting is officially called to order at 5:30 p.m. on December 7, 2021. This meeting is being presided over by Mayor Brian Holmer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The following Councilmembers were present: Holmer, Howe, McCraw, Bolduc, Narverud, and Lorensen. Absent were Aarestad and Prudhomme. Mayor Holmer chaired the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - BELLEVILLE COURT CONNECTION

Travis Giffen presented regarding the history of the Belleville Court Connection. Michael Jorgenson, Attorney with Michael Rosebury & Jonathan - 109 Belleville Court. Curt Bruzek - 112 Belleville Court commented. John Johnson - 101 Belleville Court commented. Curtis Westland - 129 Belleville Court commented. Glen Kajeski - 206 Sherwood commented.

ADJOURNMENT TO TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING AT 6:00 P.M.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Holmer moved to the Truth in Taxation Hearing tonight at 6:01 p.m.

TRUTH IN TAXATION

Mayor Holmer opened the Hearing. City Administrator presented an overview of the 2022 proposed Budget and Levy. Jerry Unruth commented. There being no further discussion, the hearing was closed at 6:25 p.m. and the regular session reconvened.

PUBLIC FORUM

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Holmer stated the Enbridge Grant was approved for \$25,000 for playground equipment at LaFave Park located at the beach. Mayor Holmer extended gratitude to Eric from Enbridge for all they have done for the Thief River Falls community.

APPROVE AGENDA

Councilmember Michele McCraw motioned, being seconded by Councilmember Steve Narverud, to approve the agenda.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 12.248.21: Approval Of November 16, 2021 Council Proceedings

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Mike Lorensen introduced Resolution No. 12-248-21, being seconded by Councilmember Michele McCraw, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council, to approve November 16, 2021 Council Proceedings.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.249.21: City Of Thief River Falls Bills And Disbursements

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Mike Lorenson introduced Resolution No. 12-249-21, being seconded by Councilmember Michele McCraw, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council, to authorize payment of bills and disbursements in the total amount of \$2,447.177.04. A printout of the approved payments, disbursements are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.250.21: Approval Of 2022 City License Renewals

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Mike Lorenson introduced Resolution No. 12-250-21, being seconded by Councilmember Michele McCraw, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council, to approve the following City Licenses, effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, contingent upon receiving all renewal forms, fees and insurance:

TOBACCO \$150

East Side Tesoro
Erl's Market, Inc.
Falls Liquor
Farmer's Union Oil
Company
Farmer's Union Oil
Company – Hwy 59
Hugo's #7
Holiday Station store
King Tobacco
Northdale Oil - Pennington
Main
Northdale Oil - Pennington
Square
Wal-Mart Supercenter #3761

PAWN BROKER'S \$40

Northern Gun & Pawn

JUNK DEALER'S \$45

Phillip's Iron & Metal, Inc.

**SEPTIC WASTE PERMIT
\$50**

Beatrice Smith "Dick's
Septic"

TAXI \$30 for 1st

ON-SALE WINE \$250

~~LINE ON 59~~

BREWER OFF-SALE \$300

~~River's & Rails Brewing Co LLC~~

WHOLESALE'S/MANUFACTURE'S \$

~~River's & Rails Brewing Co LLC~~

ON-SALE LIQUOR \$2,800

La Fiesta Inc. (El Loro Mexican Grill)
American Legion Post 117, Inc.*
SouthTown Lanes & Pizza Pub (South Town Lanes,
Inc)*
Ganesh Hospitality, Inc. (Sundance Dining)*
Steven P. Carlson (The Schooner Bar & Grill)
Fozzie's BBQ
The Hive Bar & Grill
Grzadzys Inc. (Black Cat Sports Bar & Grill)*
Heidi Ortiz (Las Ranitas)*
16 Penny Inc. (Rusty Nail)

VenuWorks

SUNDAY ON-SALE LIQUOR \$200

\$25 each add'l

Northland Taxi

Hawks Taxi LLC

OFF-SALE 3.2 BEER \$100

East Side Tesoro

Erl's Market, Inc.

Holiday Station store #197

Wal-Mart Supercenter #3761

CLUB ON-SALE

LIQUOR \$500

FOE Aerie 2368 (Eagles)*

VFW 2793 (VFW Post)*

ON-SALE 3.2 BEER \$250

~~LINE ON-59~~

Grzadzy's Inc. (Black Cat Sports Bar & Grill)

VenuWorks

16 Penny Inc. (Rusty Nail)

Heidi Ortiz (Las Ranitas)

American Legion Post 117, Inc.

South Town Lanes & Pizza Pub (South Town Lanes, Inc)

Ganesh Hospitality, Inc. (Sundance Dining)

Steven P. Carlson (The Schooner Bar & Grill)

La Fiesta Inc. (El Loro Mexican Grill)

The Hive Bar & Grill

RESOLUTION NO. 12.251.21: Approval of Permit for a 1 Day to 4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor License

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Mike Lorenson introduced Resolution No. 12-251-21, being seconded by Councilmember Michele McCraw, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council, to grant the Pennington County Fair Association a Permit for a 1 Day to 4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor License, effective July 15 – 19, 2022 from noon to midnight at the Fairgrounds during the Pennington County Fair.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. : Approval of 2021 Safe Routes to School Trail – Belleville Court Connection

Following discussion, Councilmember Michael Lorenson moved to table Resolution No. 12-252-21 , being seconded by Anthony Bolduc. On the vote being tabled, Bolduc, Lorenson, McCraw, Narverud, and Holmer voted aye. Howe voted naye.

The motion carried and the item tabled.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.252.21: Approval of Camera System for Red Robe Park

Following discussion, Councilmember Michael Lorenson moved to table Resolution No. 12-253-21, being seconded by Anthony Bolduc. On the vote being tabled, Bolduc, Lorenson, McCraw, Narverud, Howe and Holmer voted aye.

The motion carried and the item tabled.

WHEREAS, The theft of a newly installed light system for the #TRF sign at Red Robe Park prompted a request for extra security measures at the park. A cost share solution

was proposed by the Public Works Committee and accepted by Visit TRF Board. Visit TRF board agrees to make a one-time donation towards purchase of camera to be placed at Red Robe Park in the amount of \$1,430.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED To approve the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to authorize acceptance of the Wiktel quote of \$1,731.00 for a camera system to be installed at Red Robe Park.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS, This will be an unbudgeted expense for 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.253.21: Approval of 2021 Street & Utilities Improvements – Estimate 1
Following discussion, Councilmember Steve Narverud introduced Resolution No. 12-254-21, being seconded by Councilmember Curt Howe, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

WHEREAS, This project was bid as a result of meetings with department heads, Council committees, and according to items in the City's Capital Improvement Plan. It was awarded to Davidson Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$784,427.45. This project included the following items of work:

1. Franklin Middle School Safe Route to School Multi-Use Trail
2. Oakland Park Multi-Use Trail
3. Fairgrounds Miscellaneous Paving
4. Valley Home Access Realignment
5. Airport Entrance Road Repair
6. Miscellaneous Patching
7. Robson Court Street Construction

WHEREAS, Bids for this project were received on September 7th, 2021, from two contractors. The low bid was received from Davidson Construction in the amount of \$784,427.45 and from R.J. Zavoral and Sons in the amount of \$855,753.29.00 The Engineer's estimate was \$689,666.50 The low bid was 14% above the estimate.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Approve Pay Request No. 1 - in the amount of \$380,200.16 to Davidson Construction, Inc. for work completed in the 2021 Street & Utilities Improvements Project.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS, The total estimated project cost is \$938,309.00 These costs would be covered with \$148,000 in Safe Route to School grant funds, and \$101,000.00 in Red Lake River Corridor grant funds, \$122,000 in Local Partnership Program grant funds, \$75,571.00 in direct invoicing, and \$271,275.00 in general city cost. There is \$220,463.00 in assessment recovery. There is no bonding required for this project.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS, Minnesota Statute Chapter 429 requirements apply.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.254.21: Approve the Low Water Treatment Plant Chemical Bids for Calendar Year 2022 as Presented

Following discussion, Councilmember Michele McCraw introduced Resolution No. 12-255-21, being seconded by Councilmember Steve Narverud, that:

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Thief River Falls has solicited bids for several years to keep a competitive balance between vendors and has helped to keep prices in check.

WHEREAS, The current state of supply and lack of transportation support has limited the number of bids received and is also contributing to increased bid offers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Approve the low Water Treatment Plant Chemical bids for calendar year 2022 as presented.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS, The total estimated cost for 2022 is \$309,020.00 and it is in the 2022 Water Systems budget.

COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Truth In Taxation Hearing – December 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Utilities Committee - December 13th at 7:00 a.m.

Public Safety/Liquor Committee - December 13th at 4:30 p.m.

Administrative Services Committee – December 14th at 4:30 P.M.

Public Works Committee Meeting – December 15th at 4:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting - December 21st at 5:30 p.m.

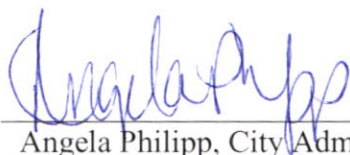
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Advance Thief River - November Report

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Michele McCraw moved, being seconded by Councilmember Curt Howe to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. On vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried.

Attest:


Angela Philipp, City Administrator



Brian D. Holmer, Mayor