December 5, 2018

Special meeting of the City Council of the City of Two Harbors, Minnesota, held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Woodruff.

Members present, Councilors: Glaser, Redden, Swanson, Jussila, Erickson, Woodruff.

Members absent, Councilor: Norberg. 1.

Others present: Administrator Walker
Finance Director Pietila
City Clerk Nordean
Water & Wastewater Treatment Superintendent, Heikkila

President Woodruff announced that the purpose of the special meeting was to discuss the Wastewater Treatment plant design and City Council legislative priorities.

Brian Guldan, Bolton & Menk, was present and addressed the Council providing an overview of the Wastewater Treatment Plant project including a review of the amended facility plan, site plan and project design, project costs and funding options.

At 5:57 p.m., President Woodruff left the meeting.

Guldan responded to questions regarding the necessity of the project design flexibility, cost, financing, and likelihood of receiving various types of funding assistance. He stressed the importance of being proactive and having the project ready when being considered for funding assistance.

Administrator Walker reviewed requests proposed for the 2019 Legislative Session including authorization for the imposition of a local sales tax, funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement project, DNR waterfront property and other community issues such as the Castle Danger Brewing growler law matter and the proposed county-wide lodging tax.

The council determined that authorization for the sales tax would take first priority with the Wastewater Treatment Plant funding at a second priority and the DNR waterfront property matter would be City’s third priority. Other community issues would be considered after further investigation.
Staff will work to provide information for the Legislative Days brochure which is put together by the Chamber of Commerce.

Motion by Swanson and Redden that the meeting adjourn. Carried.

Miles Woodruff, City Council President

Patricia D. Nordean, City Clerk