October 26, 2015

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Two Harbors, Minnesota, held on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Glaser.

Members present, Councilors: Norberg, Erickson, Woodruff, Bolen, Borud, Simonson, Glaser. 7.

Others present: Administrator Walker
                 Finance Director Pietila
                 City Clerk Nordean
                 City Attorney Overom
                 City Planner Otsea

Motion by Norberg and Erickson to recess the meeting for the purpose of conducting a public hearing of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Carried.

Motion by Norberg and Erickson to reconvene the meeting. Carried.

Motion by Bolen and Norberg that the reading of the October 12, 2015 regular meeting minutes be dispensed with and approved as published. Carried.

Departmental Reports:
Burlington Bay Campground Manager's Report for the 2015 Camping Season was submitted. Received. Motion by Norberg and Erickson referring the report to the Public Works Committee for review. Carried.

Communications:
1. A letter from the Minnesota Department of Health notifying the City of its Award of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 2014 Water Fluoridation Quality Award.

Motion by Norberg and Simonson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-298-15 ALLOWING CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF TWO HARBORS in the amount of $293,395.23 be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Woodruff and Borud allowing payroll for the first half of October, 2015, in the amount of $229,670.05. Carried.

New Business:
Motion by Woodruff and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-299-15 APPROVING A DECREASE IN THE NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION RATE BY 24% AND
MAINTAINING THE RATE AS LONG AS THE CITY MAINTAINS A +/- 10% OPERATING MARGIN EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Simonson and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-300-15 APPROVING A 13% INCREASE IN WATER RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY OF 2016 be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Simonson and Norberg that RESOLUTION NO. 10-301-15 APPROVING A 1% INCREASE IN SEWER RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY OF 2016 be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Simonson and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-302-15 AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BOLTON & MENK TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR A PROJECT TO DEMOLISH THE TURBINE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCT A SHORE WELL PUMP STATION AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR AN AMOUNT OF $20,000 be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Woodruff and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-303-15 AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT TO TONKA WATER IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,000 FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT MERCURY REDUCTION PROJECT be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-304-15 APPROVING INCREASES FOR 2013-2014; 2014-2015 AND 2015-2016 REQUESTED BY THE TWO HARBORS FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Erickson and Woodruff that RESOLUTION NO. 10-305-15 APPROVING PAY APPLICATION NO. 6 FROM HUNT ELECTRIC FOR THE TWO HARBORS TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT – PHASE I, IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,076.56 be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Woodruff and Borud that RESOLUTION NO. 10-306-15 APPROVING PAYMENT TO HUNT ELECTRIC IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,051, FOR AN ADDITIONAL POLE REQUESTED BY THE CITY FOR THE TWO HARBORS TRAIL LIGHTING PROJECT – PHASE I be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Bolen and Woodruff that RESOLUTION NO. 10-307-15 APPROVING THE APPLICATION OF SHOPKO STORES OPERATING COMPANY FOR A 3.2 OFF-SALE LIQUOR LICENSE, PENDING THE APPROVAL OF THE
CHIEF OF POLICE be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-308-15 ESTABLISHING A SALE PRICE FOR A PORTION OF THE CITY-OWNED PARCEL AT THE FORMER J & J CASTING SITE be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Borud that RESOLUTION NO. 10-309-15 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,000 TO BOLTON & MENK FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CAMPGROUND BATH HOUSE PROJECT BE adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Erickson and Simonson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-310-15 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,898.83 TO BOLTON & MENK FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Bolen that RESOLUTION NO. 10-311-15 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $46,404.73 TO LAKE STATES CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE 2015 OVERHEAD RETROFIT PROJECT be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Erickson that RESOLUTION NO. 10-312-15 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO MAGNEY CONSTRUCTION FOR EXCAVATION OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR AN AMOUNT OF $9,910 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE ELECTRIC FUND be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Borud that RESOLUTION NO. 10-313-15 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING IN THE AMOUNT OF $7,621.90 FOR THE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Bolen and Norberg authorizing a request for proposals to install electrical outlets on fifteen street light poles along Seventh Avenue for the purpose of placing seasonal decorative lighting on the poles. Carried.

Motion by Erickson and Borud that the meeting adjourn. Carried.
Robin M. Glaser, City Council President

Patricia D. Nordean, City Clerk