March 13, 2017

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Two Harbors, Minnesota, held on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Erickson.

Members present, Councilors: Glaser, McQuade, Woodruff, Swanson, Jussila, Norberg, Erickson.

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

Motion by Norberg and Woodruff approving the agenda. Carried.

**THEDA:**
President Erickson reported on a recent meeting of THEDA, where the group approved membership to RAMS for the year, discussed a proposed waterfront development plan and authorized use of THEDA funds for the Maxfield Housing Study.

**Public Works Committee:**
Vice President Glaser reported on a recent meeting of the City’s Public Works Committee where they discussed the City’s snow plowing practices, the Campground Building Project and proposed landscaping projects. Motion by Glaser and Norberg referring to Public Affairs, a proposal to provide landscaping at the Campground. Carried.

The group also discussed a request from Dan Ziemet to provide wetland credits in exchange for assistance from City Public Works crews; mechanical issues with a tandem dump truck; the re-roofing of skating rink warming houses, and construction of a new cemetery building.

The Committee recommends that landscape block and sign materials from the Waterfront Drive decorative signs be repurposed for future Public Arts and Beautification Committee projects. Motion by Glaser and Norberg authorizing the use of Waterfront Drive sign materials for Public Arts Commission Projects. Carried.

**Library Board:**
President Erickson provided a review of a recent Library Board meeting where they discussed offering patrons the ability to sign out certain craft materials as well as building repairs and online books.
**Recreation Board:**
President Erickson reported on the Rec Board’s recent meeting where they observed the newly created Adult Activity Night at Two Harbors High School.

**Planning Commission:**
Vice President Glaser reviewed the issues discussed at the Planning Commission’s most recent meeting where two public hearings were held, one was regarding the Hidden Springs property and a the second was regarding a request for variances for construction of a garage at 117 First Avenue. In addition to the public hearings, the Commission received an update on the North Shore Management Board, One Watershed, the Highway 61 Project, as well as upcoming projects regarding area trails. Glaser expressed appreciation to members of the Commission for their hard work in recent months.

**Consent Agenda:**
President Erickson announced that items listed on the consent agenda are routine in nature and typically do not require discussion. If there is an item on the consent agenda that a council member, staff member or member of the public feels warrants discussion, they may request that it be removed from the consent agenda and dealt with individually under New Business. Motion by Swanson and Glaser that the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes from February 27, 2017 regular meeting.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-77-16 ALLOWING CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,714,651.08.**


7. Tabling Mayor Swanson’s recommendation to appoint Brian Thorpe as a member of the Recreation Board.

8. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-78-17 APPOINTING ALEX CAVALLIN AS A MEMBER OF THE CHARTER COMMISSION.**

9. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-79-17 AUTHORIZING FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,000 FROM THE STOREFRONT RENOVATION PROGRAM FUND FOR THE CITY’S 2017 NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION MINI-GRANT PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY HRA.**
10. Referring to the Utilities Committee, a letter from Bayview Terrace, regarding late fees on their utility account.

11. Approving the revised position description for Mechanic in the Public Works Department.

12. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-80-17 ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF WATER CONSERVATION SERVICES, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL WATER LEAK SURVEY SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT FOR SAID SERVICES.**

13. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-81-17 APPROVING THE DEcertIFICATION OF TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT NO. 5 OF THE CITY OF TWO HARBORS.**


15. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-82-17 ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF NEXTEC SYSTEMS FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS TO INSTALL A NEW AUDIO SYSTEM FOR THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

16. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-83-17 APPROVING REAL PROPERTY DECLARATION FOR THE CASTLE DANGER/WILLAMETTE VALLEY WATERMAIN RELOCATION PROJECT.**

Be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

**New Business:**
Motion by Glaser and Woodruff that **RESOLUTION NO. 3-84-17 ADOPTING THE CITY OF TWO HARBORS COMMUNICATIONS POLICY** be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

Motion by Norberg and Glaser that **RESOLUTION NO. 3-85-17 AUTHORIZING THE REPAIR OF FOUR CITY-OWNED CATCH BASINS AS A PART OF THE MNDOT HIGHWAY 61 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ESTIMATED AT $1,000 - $1,500 EACH AT A 100% COST PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY** be adopted as read. Carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
Motion by Norberg and Swanson accepting the resignation of Vicki Holisky-Crets from the Public Arts and Beautification Commission, with regret, and extending appreciation for her service. Carried.

Mayor Swanson made several announcements pertaining to current events and activities throughout the City.

Motion by Woodruff and Glaser that the meeting adjourn. Carried.

Catherine A. Erickson, City Council President

Patricia D. Nordean, City Clerk