MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

OF THE FIFTY LAKES CITY COUNCIL

July 11th, 2023

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Fifty Lakes City Council was held on Tuesday, July 11th, 2023, at City Hall at 6:00 pm. The following officers were present: Toni Buchite, Mayor; Gary Staples, Jill Radman, Mark Bradley, Randy Zeigler, Council Members; Ann Raph, City Clerk; Jessica Istvanovich, Deputy Clerk; Chad Wosmek, Maintenance Supervisor; Diana Johnson, Liquor Manager.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Consider Agenda:.

MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MS. RADMAN TO ADD PARKING LOT DAMAGE UNDER LIQUOR STORE, POLICY ON BORROWING CITY ITEMS UNDER MAYOR’S REPORT, NEW SPEED LIMIT SIGNS UNDER ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE AND RV TANK DUMP STATION UNDER PARKS TO THE AGENDA. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Buchite requested consideration of the consent agenda. Council reviewed: Council Meeting Minutes for Regular Meeting June 13th, 2023; Treasurer’s Report: Payment of bills in the amount of $24,5059.79 including Check No #45426 through #455557; Fire and Rescue Minutes; Resolution 2023-12 Signatory Authorization Power. MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. ZEIGLER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

**RESOLUTION 2023-12**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ACTING MAYOR AND CLERK TREASURER SIGNATORY POWER FOR THE CITY OF FIFTY LAKES**

**WHEREAS, THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE CITY OF FIFTY LAKES**: Frandsen Bank, First Western Bank & Trust, First National Bank, and Pine River State Bank shall be used for investment funds for the City of Fifty Lakes and,

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has in the past designated the Mayor, Acting Mayor and Clerk Treasurer as signatory representatives for the City,

**WHEREAS**, to insure quality control two signatures are required on each check or draft.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City hereby approves signatory representatives Mayor Toni Buchite, Acting Mayor Mark Bradley and Clerk Treasurer- Ann M. Raph for the above stated depositories for investment funds.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Fifty Lakes this 11th day of July 2023.

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Toni Buchite, Mayor

(Attest)

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Ann M. Raph, Clerk-Treasurer

When polled: All members vote aye. Motion carried.

New Business/Critical Issues:

Dave Winkelman of Winkelman Solar Developers presented a proposal for solar panels from TM Electric LLC and Real Solar LLC on the roof of the City Hall/Municipal Bar building. Mr. Winkelman suggests that the council investigate federal grants and state grants that are available and will be becoming available in the coming months. The council thanked Mr. Winkelman for his presentation and proposals. The council discussed a review of Fifty Lakes Day 2023.

Planning and Zoning: The Planning Commission held their regular meeting on June 27th, 2023, at which there was one public hearing. A variance request to construct a 640-sf dwelling addition partially within the OHW level setback on the property located 41282 Peninsula Road was approved. Mr. Burslie updated the council on the Horvath cell tower. The FAA has determined a light is to be required at the top of the proposed 199’ telecommunications tower on Kego Lake Road. The conditional use permit for the tower must be amended and approved by the city prior to construction. Mr. Burslie also informed the council that over the next couple of months the planning commission will be reviewing ordinances regarding park dedication fees, recreational vehicles, and shoreline grading. Any suggested changes will be sent to the city council after a public hearing.

Parks: MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO PASS RESOLUTION 2023-13 TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO SOURCEWELL COMMUNITY MATCH FUNDS OF $10,000.00 FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

**City of Fifty Lakes**

**Resolution 2023-13**

**State of Minnesota**

**County of Crow Wing**

**City Fifty Lakes**

**A RESOLUTION AGREEING TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO**

**SOURCEWELL COMMUNITY MATCH FUNDS**

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**WHEREAS**, the Fifty Lakes City Council fully supports collaborating with Sourcewell in developing and improvements of the playground and parks area and

**WHEREAS,** the Fifty Lakes City Council further supports the entity in submitting a Playground and Parks Funding application to Sourcewell to request financial support for a new equipment,

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Fifty Lakes agrees that said application would be of benefit to the citizens of Fifty Lakes,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fifty Lakes, Minnesota hereby acknowledges and agrees to collaborate with Sourcewell for improvements for parks area on behalf of the citizens of Fifty Lakes.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fifty Lakes fully supports submitting the Community Match Funding application to Sourcewell to request financial support for a playground and park improvements.

**ADOPTED** this 11th day of July 2023

Toni Buchite, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann M. Raph

City Clerk-Treasurer

When polled: All members vote aye. Motion carried.

The council had discussions on the following: forming a park committee and the option of providing an RV tank dump station.

Public Safety: Jesse Anderson, Assistant Fire Chief, reported 1 medical call and 1 fire call for the month of June. The City of Fifty Lakes was awarded $50,000 from Sourcewell Community Impact Funds for Emergency Sirens.

Road Construction and Maintenance:

MOTION MADE BY MS. BUCHITE AND SECONDED BY MS. RADMAN THAT THE CORNER LOT WILL NOT BE USED BY PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS FOR ITEMS FOR SALE OR PLACED FOR FREE. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried. Mr. Wosmek discussed with the council purchasing white speed limit signs of 25 mph to replace the older yellow signs on smaller city roads.

Liquor Store: Mr. Zeigler reported the Liquor committee discussed improvements to the patio area including waitstaff and shade screens. Ms. Johnson reported an $11,000 profit in June.

MOTION MADE BY MS. RADMAN AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO WITHDRAW J. POTZ FROM EMPLOYMENT. When polled. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor’s Report:

MADE MOTION BY MS. RADMAN AND SECONDED BY MR. ZEIGLER TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM TREMOLO FOR $1,340.00 TO INSTALL A VIDEO CONFERENCING CAMERA IN THE CHAMBER ROOM INCLUDING WIRING AND INSTALLATION. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION MADE BY MR. STAPLES AND SECONDED BY MR. ZEIGLER TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM TREMOLO FOR $700.00 TO CREATE A NEW CITY WEBISTE INCLUDING TRAINING STAFF ON OPERATION USE. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.

A special budget meeting is scheduled for August 8th at 5pm ahead of the regular council meeting at 6pm.

Adjourn: MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. ZEIGLER TO ADJOURN. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

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Jessica Istvanovich, Deputy Clerk