MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

OF THE FIFTY LAKES CITY COUNCIL

MAY 14, 2024

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Fifty Lakes City Council was held on Tuesday, May 14th, 2024, at City Hall at 6:00 pm. The following officers were present: Toni Buchite, Mayor; Mark Bradley, Gary Staples, Jill Radman and Randy Zeigler, Council Members; Ann Raph, City Clerk; Jessica Istvanovich, Deputy Clerk, Chad Wosmek, Maintenance Supervisor; Diana Buchite, Liquor Manager; Jesse Anderson, Fire Chief.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Buchite requested 4 additions to the May Agenda.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO ADD A PRESENTATION BY DAVE WINKELMAN, SOLAR DEVELOPER, UNDER NEW BUSINESS, AN UPDATE ON PAVER TILES FUNDRAISER AND UPDATE ON PICNIC TABLES FROM QUALITY FABRICATING UNDER PARKS, APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH HOSPITALITY DATA SYSTEMS FOR POS SUPPORT UNDER LIQUOR STORE. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

Open Forum:

Consent Agenda: Mayor Buchite requested consideration of the consent agenda. Council reviewed: Council Meeting Minutes for Regular Meeting April 9th, 2024; Treasurer’s Report: Payment of bills in the amount of $151,787.51 including Check No# 50730 through No #50823; Fire and Rescue Minutes.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

New Business/Critical Issues: Dave Winkelman of Winkelman Solar Developers presented a new proposal for solar panels from Wolf Track Energy on the roof of the City Hall/Municipal Bar building. The council thanked Dave and will review the proposal.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. ZEILGER AND SECONDED BY MR. BRADLEY TO ACCEPT THE 2023 AUDIT AS PRESENTED IN APRIL. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

Ms. Raph updated the council on Fifty Lakes Day on June 15th starting at 10AM. Ms. Raph states the committee is always seeking volunteers for the day and to please inquire within the City Hall or Bar for more information.

Planning and Zoning: The council discussed the deterioration roadway on Peninsula Road Narrows. Mr. Bradley stated he spoke with the DNR and Crow Wing County about rip rapping on the East side of the road. The project would most likely be done during the winter months. Mr. Burslie stated that the city received a notice from Crow Wing County stating the intent to reclassify and sell five parcels at a future public auction. The subject properties do not appear to have public access. The parcels are PIN: 22210511, PIN: 22330504, PIN: 22330505, PIN: 22330506, PIN: 22330507. Mr. Burslie asks the council to determine if they support reclassifying and selling the subject properties.

**MOTION MADE BY MR STAPLES AND SECONDED BY MR ZEIGLER TO APPROVE RECLASSIFICATION AND INTENDED SALE BY CROW WING COUNTY OF FIVE PARCELS (PIN: 22210511, PIN: 22330504, PIN: 22330505, PIN: 22330506, PIN: 22330507). When polled: Ms. Buchite, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Staples, Mr. Zeigler voted aye. Ms. Radman, nay. Motion Carried.**

Parks: Mayor Buchite updated the council on a paver/brick fundraiser the Park Committee would like to do for the park improvements. The council viewed the picnic tables that were purchased from Quality Fabricating for the park. Quality Fabricating had a prototype of picnic tables made up for this project that they are willing to sell at a discounted price of $800.00.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. STAPLES AND SECONDED BY MR. BRADLEY TO PURCHASE THE PROTOTYPE PICNIC TABLE FROM QUALITY FABRICATING FOR $800.00. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

Public Safety: Ms. Radman stated the Fire and Rescue Department had 1 medical call and 1 fire call in the month of April. Ms. Radman requested approval to appoint Jesse Anderson as Fifty Lakes Fire Chief.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. RADMAN AND SECONDED BY MR. BRADLEY TO APPROVE APPOINTING J. ANDERSON AS FIRE CHIEF FOR THE CITY OF FIFTY LAKES, MN. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried**. Mayor Buchite congratulated Jesse Anderson on his promotion and stated that Jesse is a 3rd generation Fire Chief.

Road Construction and Maintenance: Mr. Wosmek, Maintenance supervisor, requested approval of a contract with Corbin Excavating for 2024 dust control program at the cost of $1.25 per gallon

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. ZEIGLER TO ACCEPT A CONTRACT FOR MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE FROM COBIN EXCAVATING. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.** Mr. Wosmek informed the council that he has wrapped 68 trees on the west side and 17 on the east side of Peninsula Road Narrows to protect from beavers.

Liquor Store: Liquor profit and loss report was reviewed with a loss for the month of April with a gross profit of 42.5%. Rent from Fifty Lakes Fire Department Gambling has been received for January, February and March which will be reflected on the May profit and loss report. Ms. Buchite, Liquor Manager, informed the council on events coming up in May. Live music from Mike Miller on the 18th and Kevin Wright on the 24th. D. Buchite requested approval to hire Juan Cabrera as part-time cleaner.

**MOTION MADE BY MS. BUCHITE AND SECONDED BY MR. BRADLEY TO APPROVE HIRING JUAN CABRERA AS PART TIME CLEANER AT $20 PER HOUR. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.** Ms. Buchite requested the approval to purchase a pergola, patio furniture, dishwasher and additional bar chairs.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MS. RADMAN TO PURCHASE ONE PERGOLA NOT TO EXCEED $3,000.00 INCLUDING SHIPPING AND INSTALLATION. When polled: All members voted aye.**

**MOTION MADE BY MS. RADMAN AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF NOBLE WAREWASHING CG ELECTRIC CAROUSE DISHWASHER AT A COST OF $5,079.00 PLUS SHIPPING, TAX AND INSTALLATION. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO PURCHASE FOUR (4) POLYWOOD LAKE SIDE 7 PIECE BAR SET AT A COST OF $1,949.00 EA PLUS TAX AND SHIPPING. When polled: All members voted aye.**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO PURCHASE TWELVE (12) 250 SERIES STACK CHAIR WITH VINYL UPHOLSTER FOR ADDITIONAL INSIDE BAR SEATING AT A COST OF $790.56 PLUS TAX AND SHIPPING.**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BRADLEY AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH HOSPITAITY DATA SYSTEMS FOR POS SUPPORT. When polled: All members voted aye.**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. ZEIGLER AND SECONDED BY MS. RADMAN TO STAY WITH HEARTLAND FOR CREDIT CARD PROCESSING. When polled: All members voted aye.**

Mayor’s Report: The council reviewed CD #1607, #2436 and #1601 at First National Bank.

**MOTION MADE BY MS. BUCHITE AND SECONDED BY MR. BRADLEY TO MOVE CD # 1607 AND CD #2436 TO FIRST WESTERN BANK FOR 12 MONTHS AT 5.15% APR AND RENEW CD # 1601 AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK FOR 7 MONTHS AT 5% APR. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.**

Purchasing/Personnel:

Adjourn: **MOTION MADE BY MS. BUCHITE AND SECONDED BY MR. STAPLES TO ADJOURN.** Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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Jessica Istvanovich, Deputy Clerk