

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A work session was held beginning at 3:30p.m. and the regular meeting of the Coleraine City Council was held at 4:00 p.m. on **Monday, September 27, 2021** in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall and via TEAMS meeting.

### WORK SESSION

**3:30 p.m.**

Ryan, from Waste Management, talked to the Council regarding garbage can placement and trucks going down the alleys more than once during pick-up day. There was much discussion. Ryan will bring something back to Council at a future meeting for them to review.

### REGULAR MEETING

**4:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Nielsen at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was done by Clerk Anderson. Members present: Councilpersons Soltzak, T. Sertich, and Mayor Nielsen. Both Councilpersons Pollard and T. Troumbly were absent with notice.

**Moved** by Mayor Nielsen, supported by Councilperson Sertich, **to approve the consent agenda which included Council meeting minutes of 9.13.21, correspondence, and claims of \$12,045.00.**

**Roll Call:** Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons Sertich and Soltzak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Mayor Nielsen with the support of Councilperson Sertich **to approve the meeting agenda as presented.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

### DEPARTMENT HEADS:

#### Library

Library board minutes and reports were included in council packets. Council had no questions.

#### Clerk's Report

Clerk Anderson provided a brief verbal report.

#### Committee/Commission/Other Public Utilities Commission & CBT

A Public Utility Commission Meeting was not held. Minutes from last CBT meeting were included in Council packets.

#### Trout Lake Fire Department

Minutes of the last Fire Board meeting were included in Council packets. It was noted that the Fire Department spent \$250 towards candy for the Farmer's Day parade.

#### Eagle Ridge Golf Course

Nels Gustason was in attendance and stated:

- Play is slowing down but they made it through the dry summer okay
- All cart path construction is done; you will see a big improvement once the grass is filled in
- They were able to do # 2 and #3 all in crushed concrete. Jim Ohman was great to work with
- They may decide to tar 2 and 3 in the future
- Working on two fairways:
  - Alongside of #1 trying to keep people and cars out of drainage area
  - Top of #6 (a two-tiered fairway)
- One tournament left for the season
- The board wishes to work with City on promoting events on website and facebook
- Working on revising management agreement with the city

### **Zoning & Planning**

Zoning Officer Anderson reported that there is lots going on but is slowing down a little.

### **Greenway Joint Recreation Board**

Minutes from the last meeting were included in Council packets. George Delich indicated that the ice is going in soon.

### **Cotton Beach**

Closed for season.

### **Mt. Itasca Ski Hill**

Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed levy for 2022** – After much discussion, Councilperson Sobotzak motioned to set the preliminary levy at a 9% increase, supported by Sertich. Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Sobotzak and Sertich, Mayor Nielsen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Trout Lake Fire Relief—pension increase** -- Councilperson Sertich with support of Mayor Nielsen motioned to approve the pension raise from \$2000 per year to \$2500 per year of service effective January 1, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes: Councilperson Sertich, Mayor Nielsen, Councilperson Sobotzak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2021-09.27—Attorney – Motion** by Councilperson Sobotzak, supported by Mayor Nielsen, to pass the resolution approving State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements with the City of Coleraine on behalf of its City Attorney and Police Department. Roll Call: Councilperson Sobotzak, Mayor Nielsen, Councilperson Sertich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Production tax--\$95,799** – tabled until next meeting

**Deputy Clerk position** – After accepting position and negotiating a start date, candidate called and informed they continued to interview and accepted another offer. **Motion** by Mayor Nielsen with support of Councilperson Sertich to offer position to #2 candidate and #3 candidate if necessary. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Midway Lane speed bumps** – there was much discussion. Tabled until next council meeting.

**Council meeting on Columbus Day (10-11)?** – Council opted to keep current policy and not conduct business on this holiday.

**City Hall Masonry & Roof Repairs project** – Volunteer project director Cavour Johnson explained to Council the most recent challenge with the existing bricks and that there is a more serious problem than what was anticipated. Some of the middle brick has fallen down inside and wasn't discovered until the removal of the outer brick. The middle brick will need to be replaced. In addition, it is recommended that the south parapet be tuck pointed. Quotes were provided for both (along with a picture) in Council packets. **Motion** by Councilperson Sertich, supported by Mayor Nielsen, **to approve the additional work at a cost of \$55,636 (\$52,116 for additional work and \$3,520 for tuck pointing south parapet) and for the monies to come from Fund 200 – special revenue fund.** Roll Call: Ayes: Councilperson Sertich, Mayor Nielsen, Councilperson Sobotzak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Waste Management** – tabled until Ryan brings back more information and presents a plan.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**ARP-LFR funds** – no new information at this time.

**Brock Lane** -- tabled

**Congdon Street** – waiting for information from City Engineer; this has been tabled.

**County Road 440** – no action necessary.

**Cybersecurity and Equipment** – tabled

**Number of positions in Public Works** – after some discussion, this was tabled until the next meeting.

#### Council concerns/comments

Pollard: Absent  
T. Troumbly: Absent  
Sertich: None  
Sobotzak: None  
Mayor Nielsen: None

Mayor Nielsen **motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 p.m.** Motion supported by Sertich. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Meeting adjourned.



Thomas Nielsen, Mayor

  
Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer