

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A work session was held beginning at 3:30 p.m. and the regular meeting of the Coleraine City Council was held at 4:00 p.m., **Monday, September 11th, 2023** in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall.

WORK SESSION

3:30 p.m.

Darrel Hecimovich of Itasca Snow Rangers reiterated information about an easement through joint property by the Emergency Services Building in Bovey. He is looking for a verbal agreement on the easement before the paperwork is completed and filed so that they can start working on the trail before the snow flies.

Public Works Supervisor, Rogich explained the quotes for the temporary solution over the culvert on Pear Lake Road. The temporary solution is more affordable than originally presented.

REGULAR MEETING

4:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was done by Clerk Anderson. **Members present: Councilpersons Dreher, T. Troumbly, and Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak.** Mayor Nielsen and Councilperson Sertich were absent with notice. City Attorney Dimich was also present.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak, supported by Councilperson Dreher, **to approve the consent agenda which included minutes of 7.28.23 with corrections referenced, correspondence, claims sent of \$9,678.03 and claims of \$11,34.41.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak, Councilpersons Dreher and T. Troumbly. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak, seconded by Councilperson Dreher, **to approve the meeting agenda as presented.** Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clerk Anderson provided a reminder of the special work session with the city's financial advisor, Mike Bubany, to be held this Thursday, September 14th beginning at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. She also stated that they should allow two hours for the session.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police:

Police Chief Johnson indicated that Bovey should be billed for all the time officers worked during the Labor Day weekend for Farmer's Day. He restated that Bovey Police Chief Sam Hussman has given notice that his last day is October 2nd. The plan is to pull Officer Kanta from the school and replace him with the part-time officer, Jacob Beach, into the school on the same date. He stressed that a meeting between the two Councils needs to be held to figure out how to move forward. After some discussion, the Council agreed

that Monday, September 18th would work out the best. Clerk Anderson will relay the information to Clerk Casey and get the meeting posted.

Johnson also requested that the city post for an eligibility list for another officer. Council agreed. Clerk Anderson will create the posting.

Public Works (Street):

Public Works Supervisor Rogich went over his written report that had been included in council packets. He expressed that a meeting next Thursday, September 21st at 6pm has been set up for the committee to meet on the Joint Supervisor possibility. Finally, he spoke of repair to the fishing pier in Longyear Park. The DNR will buy the materials and Rogich is working with the shop teacher at Greenway to do the repairs as a project. All the details haven't been worked out yet, but he is meeting with the shop teacher next Friday.

ATTORNEY:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve 2024 Eagle Ridge Golf Course budget – There were some questions on some of the increases to expenditures – specifically increases to ‘club house equipment’ and ‘new equipment purchased’ where each is up \$10,000 over last year. Tabled until more information is received.

Trail easement for Itasca Snow Rangers – Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Sobotzak, with support from Councilperson Dreher, **to provide verbal approval pending legal documents and to allow work on the trail to move forward.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Sobotzak, Councilpersons Dreher and T. Troumbly. Nays: none. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Cable franchising matters – After some discussion, it was determined that it appears to be too early to make any adjustments as the build out is not anticipated to happen until 2025. This item will be tabled indefinitely.

Interim Ordinance 2023-1 prohibiting sale . . . cannabis products until framework established in City Code – Item tabled since only three of council in attendance. Ordinances require a four fifths majority.

Pear Lake Road Culvert – Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Sobotzak, supported by Councilperson T. Troumbly, **to approve the contract with Hawkinson Construction and take monies out of the 402 fund for the Pear Lake Road temporary fix.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Sobotzak, Councilpersons T. Troumbly, and Dreher. Nays: none. Motion carried.

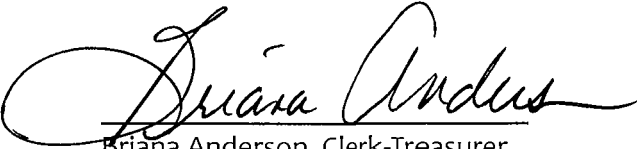
COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Sobotzak: None
T Troumbly: Inquired about joining the Minnesota Association of Small Cities and when can some information be expected. Stated she wanted to see how they spend their money.
Sertich: Absent
Dreher: None
Nielsen: Absent

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:31 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Sobtzak with support from Councilperson Dreher. Ayes: all. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.



Thomas Nielsen, Mayor



Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer