

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BIG FALLS, COUNTY OF KOOCHICHING, STATE OF MINNESOTA, INCLUDING ALL ACCOUNTS SUBMITTED BY SAID COUNCIL.

April 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Big Falls City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Shawn Pritchard. Members present were Jeff Oehlerking, Brenda Sursely, and Angela Boes

Additions. Addition to Consent Agenda; Acknowledge Tax Apportionment in the amount of \$7,60.62 for Economic Development.

Commissioner's Report. Dale Erickson was not present for a report.

Consent Agenda. The consent agenda was presented with the following items:

- Approval of March regular meeting minutes
- Approval of March Financial Reports
- Approve J&M Displays, Inc. Agreement for \$10,000 fireworks display
- Acknowledge Tax Apportionment in the amount of \$7,060.62 for Economic Development

There was a motion by Sursely to approve the consent agenda. Second by Boes. The motion carried with all in favor.

Disbursements and Payroll. The disbursement and payroll were reviewed. *There was a motion by Boes to approve disbursements in the amount of \$78,448.09, check #20995-21065 and ACH 18186E-18203E, and March payroll. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.*

Liquor Report. Dey was present for a report. Dey reported Customer Appreciation night went well, Council raised \$1,059.00 to go towards a Memorial Bench for Cindy Donner. Two new cleaners at the Liquor Store.

There was a motion to approve the liquor report by Boes. Second by Oehlerking. The motion carried.

Fire/EMS. Fire Chief was present for a report. Doing training, going through trucks. E1 is having tranny issues and is out of service. We are looking into Fire I & II courses, and hosting at our department for surrounding Fire Departments to join. Started a Facebook page for the Fire & EMS Department.

There was a motion by Oehlerking to approve the Fire/EMS Report. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.

Maintenance Report. Baird was present for a report. Looked into new banners for light poles in town, would like three banners, to swap out one for Fourth of July event. AWWA water class coming up in Grand Rapids, Terry and Albert are going to attend.

There was a motion by Boes to approve the Maintenance Report. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.

Brady, Martz & Associates. Spoke with CPA and reviewed Audit financials.

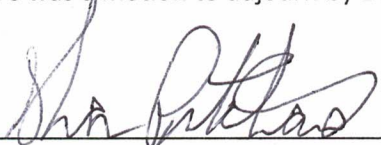
Discussion about selling the Liquor Store. Discussed benefit to City if we sell. Clerk to gather info on appraisal. Liquor Store Commissioners to have a meeting with Liquor Store staff.

Clerk's Report. Clerk discussed Water/Sewer department and Rate Study. Big Falls Apartment water/sewer bill. Cameras for Liquor Store. Advertisement opportunity for local area. LRIP grant not approved this year. LMC rebate after disbursements city has a \$14k balance. Council elected to move to Economic Development.

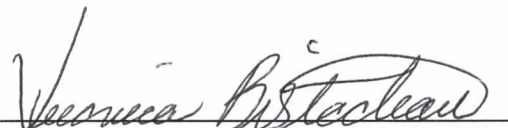
There was a motion to approve Clerk's Report by Sursely. Second by Boes. The motion carried.

The next regular meeting is set for Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7 p.m. in the council chambers.

There was a motion to adjourn by Boes. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.



Shawn Pritchard, Mayor



Veronica Bistodeau, City Clerk