

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

August 12, 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. Ducks Unlimited Banquet and Heidi/Resurrectors Reunion

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

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

- Approval of July regular meeting minutes
- Approval of July Financial Reports
- Approve Cemetery Lot Agreement(s) Hiemenz and Promersberger
- Approve Big Falls Fire Dept 2025 Budget
- Approve Resolution 2024-05 Ducks Unlimited One Day off-site Gaming permit

*There was a motion by Boes to approve the consent agenda, without Approval of Ordinance 227 per Boes. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.*

Resurrectors Reunion. Request to hold the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Resurrectors Reunion and block off a portion of the streets. Was approved by council and mayor.

Disbursements and Payroll. The disbursement and payroll were reviewed. *There was a motion by Sursely to approve disbursements in the amount of \$78,606.38, check #21214-21259 and ACH 18266E-18289E, and July payroll. Second by Oehlerking. The motion carried with all in favor.*

Liquor Report. Dey was present for a report. Dey reported Oct beer prices may increase. Lengthy discussion over the Liquor Store finances, discussed lots of ideas to bring people into the Liquor Store. A meeting between Liquor Commissioners, Bartenders and Manager will take place within the next week.

*There was a motion to approve the liquor report by Boes. Second by Oehlerking. The motion carried with all in favor.*

Fire/EMS. No one present to give report. Clerk informed council Fire/EMS Dept will be holding their annual Brat Feed on Sept 11<sup>th</sup>.

Maintenance Report. Baird was present for a report. Baird reported the city has a collapsed culvert and needs to be replaced. Campground camper noise disturbance. Baird received a call to exhume a cremation from the Cemetery, council requests a court order to move forward.

*There was a motion to approve the Maintenance report by Boes. Second by Oehlerking. The motion carried, all in favor.*

Campground Project Update. Discussion on the starting date and the sides for the Pavilion.

SCDP-Multi Housing Project Update. The Big Falls Mercantile pulled out of the Project grant. Moving forward with the Big Falls Apartment procedures.

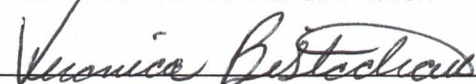
Clerk's Report. Clerk got pricing from all local propane companies' lowest price was 1.49 a gal, council approved lowest price with one follow up question. Clerk had a request for a mini fridge at our community building food shelf, council stated there is no room and we need to keep that area to a minimum in the event the clinic needs a gurney a patient in and out of their door. Per Mar upgrade to key fob computer at \$1,900, and \$40 per month fee, council declined. Resubmit LRIP Grant, approved.

*There was a motion by Boes to approve the Clerk's Report. Second by Sursely. The motion carried with all in favor.*

The next regular meeting is set for Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 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