

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Regular Meeting of the Crosby City Council was held on Monday, June 28, 2021, at 6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Hunter, Council Members Cash, Ryan, Heglund and Jarvela

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Matthew Hill, Administrator Clerk Treasurer; Deb Marty, Deputy Clerk; Phil Martin, City Engineer; Scott Sadusky, Building Inspector and Joe Langel, City Attorney

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order

Mayor Hunter called the meeting of the Crosby City Council to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hunter led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION BY MEMBER CASH AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RYAN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR HUNTER, MEMBER CASH, MEMBER RYAN, MEMBER HEGLUND AND MEMBER JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of minutes from June 14, 2021 Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Claims in the amount of \$172,337.99
- C. Accept the resignation of Alex Everson of the Crosby Fire Department
- D. Approval of payment for LETG Records Management/CAD usage renewal for PD
- E. Approval of payment to Hudrlik Carpet and Tile for Hallett Community Center fitness room
- F. Approval to purchase one dehumidifier for the Water Treatment Plant
- G. Approval of workshop administrative recommendations

MOTION BY MEMBER HEGLUND AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RYAN TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE REMOVAL OF ITEM B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS WHICH WILL BE DISCUSSED UNDER NEW BUSINESS ITEM F.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR HUNTER, MEMBER CASH, MEMBER RYAN, MEMBER HEGLUND AND MEMBER JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Public Comments

Bob Novak 22112 Shady Walk Cir, Deerwood and owns a business at 10 W Main St encouraged the Council to focus on the facts and create a win-win situation for the mixed use of sidewalks in Crosby.

Vern Lewis 23455 County Rd 31 suggested an idea of one-way bike traffic on the sidewalks adding he was unhappy with the negativity that was published in the paper.

Matt Larson of the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber stated they are working to advocate better signage for bicyclists so that everyone safely enjoys the community.

Doug Arndt 30 W Main St believes the city is looking for a solution to a problem that maybe doesn't exist and would like the Council to not overthink it and come up with a common sense solution.

Brielle Bredsten read a letter she received from Joshua Roubinek regarding his concern for bicyclists in the community.

Paul Kirkman 124 W Main St stated over the years he has seen Crosby grow from a sleepy town with vacant store fronts to a busy town and believes it is due to the mountain bike trail and the biking community.

Mayor Hunter ensured the business owners and the residents of Crosby that the Council will make the right decision regarding the use of City sidewalks.

6. Unfinished Business

A. Discussion on sidewalk replacement – Phil Martin

Phil Martin stated the city had budgeted \$50,000 for sidewalk improvements and have put together a priority list of sidewalks. He suggested Council consider ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant sidewalks.

Matthew Hill stated he will need direction from the Council as to how to proceed with the sidewalk replacements and how they want the dollars allocated.

Discussion ensued regarding what is needed for ADA compliant sidewalks, the problem with the alleys and how extra costs would be added for such things as surveying and additional engineering. An additional \$10,000 was estimated for these possible costs and Member Ryan believes the city should come up with the extra money to get the prioritized sidewalks finished. Mayor Hunter asked Matthew Hill if he could find the extra \$10,000. Matthew Hill

feels the City has the money in the General Fund to cover the additional \$10,000.

Council consensus was to move forward with the top two prioritized sidewalks and increase the budgeted amount to \$60,000 for the project.

MOTION BY MEMBER RYAN AND SECONDED BY MEMBER HEGLUND TO APPROVE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF THE TOP TWO SIDEWALKS ON THE PRIORITY LIST-1ST STREET SW BOTH SIDES AND THE WEST SIDE OF 1ST ST NW AND ADD AN ADDITIONAL \$10,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$60,000 ALLOCATED TO THE PROJECT. A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR HUNTER, MEMBER CASH, MEMBER RYAN, MEMBER HEGLUND AND MEMBER JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

7. New Business

A. Discussion – Business Technology Review – Jim Mayne, Deerwood Technologies

Jim Mayne of Deerwood Technologies gave the Council a technology update including an overview of their services and the City's equipment status. Matthew Hill stated he will create a rotation schedule for equipment replacement.

B. Discussion – State shutdown relating to small towns – Matthew Hill

Matthew Hill explained the repercussions if the State were to shut down on July 1st.

C. Discussion – City of Crosby, bicycles on sidewalks, signage, and access to downtown business district – Matthew Hill

Matthew Hill gave a follow up to the workshop that was held a couple weeks ago to discuss the mixed use of the sidewalks.

Mayor Hunter stated he would like more information gathered before any decisions are made regarding the bicycle use on the sidewalk.

Council discussion ensued regarding a bicycle parking lot, hiring a consultant, possible past decisions regarding bicycles, the possibility of adding a committee to discuss the subject and zoning restrictions.

Joe Langel stated he is not aware of any concerns allowing bicyclists in a particular zone. He referred to MN State Statute 169.222 that states "no person shall ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in a business district unless permitted by local authority".