

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Regular Meeting of the Crosby City Council was held on Monday, September 13th, 2021, at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

Members Present: Mayor Cash, Members Ryan, Heglund, Traylor and Jarvela

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Matthew Hill, Administrator; Stephanie Winegarner, Administrative Assistant; Abby Smith, Head Librarian; Ivan Bartha, Hallett Community Center Manager; Jay DeCent, Fire Chief

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order

Mayor Cash called the meeting of the Crosby City Council to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cash led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Plaque presentation to James Hunter—postponed

- 4. Approval of the Agenda**—Administrator Hill added Item 5F, Approval of Claims to the Consent Agenda and Item 8H, Fire Department invoice to Flashing Thunder Fireworks to New Business and Removed Item 8D, Master Service Agreement from New Business.

MOTION BY MEMBER TRAYLOR AND SECONDED BY MEMBER HEGLUND APPROVING THE CORRECTED AGENDA OF ADDING ITEMS 5F, APPROVAL OF CLAIMS TO THE CONSENT AGENDA AND ITEM 8H, FIRE DEPARTMENT INVOICE TO FLASHING THUNDER FIREWORKS TO NEW BUSINESS AND REMOVING ITEM 8D, MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT FROM NEW BUSINESS.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, TRAYLOR AND JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE.

MOTION CARRIED.

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes from August 23rd, 2021, Regular Meeting**
- B. Approval of Minutes from August 31st, 2021, Workshop**
- C. Approval of payment for lift station improvements from Thul Specialty Contracting**
- D. Approval of Special Event Application for St Joseph's Catholic Church**
- E. Approval of Conditional Hire for Part Time Position in Police Department**
- F. Approve claims in the amount of \$143,123.79.**

**MOTION BY MEMBER RYAN AND SECONDED BY MEMBER JARVELA TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA
A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, TRAYLOR AND JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Public Comments

Barbara Grove, 311 1st St NW; read a letter about the Croft Mine

7. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business.

8. New Business

- A. Consider approval of Resolution 2021-20-0913 for previously approved Council Committee Appointments-Matthew Hill**

Administrator Hill stated that the Assistant Fire Chief is incorrect and that the Cuyuna Chamber Committee needs to be removed.

**MOTION BY MEMBER TRAYLOR AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RYAN APPROVING RESOLUTION 2021-20-0913 PREVIOUSLY APPROVED COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS WITH CORRECTIONS.
A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, JARVELA AND TRAYLOR. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE.
MOTION CARRIED**

- B. Consider approval of Resolution 2021-21-0913 for Croft Mine property acquisition-Matthew Hill**
Economic Development Committee is looking for property to expand housing in Crosby; DNR wants to give the property back. This is the first step as this is a long steady process; possible 18 months. Member Ryan stated for the record that no decisions have been made as to what the city will do with the property.

**MOTION BY MEMBER TRAYLOR AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RYAN APPROVING RESOLUTION 2021-21-0913 FOR CROFT MINE PROPERTY ACQUISITION.
A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, TRAYLOR AND JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE.
MOTION CARRIED.**

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

- C. Consider approval of sidewalk construction bid-Matthew Hill
Administrator Hill reiterated the options for the council to vote.

MOTION BY MEMBER RYAN AND SECONDED BY MEMBER HELGUND. TO APPROVE SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION BID-OPTION #1; PRIORITY ONE AND PRIORITY TWO.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, TRAYLOR AND JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

- D. Consider approval of Master Service Agreement with Deerwood Technology-Matthew Hill--

Removed from agenda

- E. Consider approval of salary increase for City Administrator-Matthew Hill
Administrator Hill pled his salary increase with the Personnel Committee who suggested he bring the matter before the City Council. He stated that there would not be a salary increase in 2022. Discussion ensued with Member Heglund against the increase while the remaining members were for the increase.

MOTION BY MEMBER RYAN AND SECONDED BY MEMBER JARVELA TO APPROVE THE SALARY INCREASE AS PRESENTED FOR ADMINISTRATOR MATTHEW HILL.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, JARVELA AND TRAYLOR. VOTING NAY: MEMBER HEGLUND; MOTION CARRIED.

- F. Consider approval of purchase of Zamboni for Hallett Center of Crosby-Ivan Bartha. This is the first step; need approval from IRRRB for a grant we applied for in the amount of \$30,000.00; then a contract is drawn up and signed by the IRRRB and the City of Crosby.

MOTION BY MEMBER HEGLUND AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RYAN TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE 2009 ZAMBONI FOR

HALLETT CENTER OF CROSBY PENDING INSPECTION AND AVAILABILITY NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00.

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

- G. Consider approval of Merit Increase for eligible employees at Hallett Center of Crosby-Ivan Barta
3% Merit wage increase for all part-time employees; Already in the budget.

MOTION BY MEMBER HEGLUND AND SECONDED BY MEMBER JARVELA TO APPROVE MERIT INCREASE FOR ELIGIBLE PART-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE HALLETT CENTER OF CROSBY.

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

- H. Consider approval of payment for Flashing Thunder Fireworks in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the 4th of July fireworks. Deerwood Bank donated the \$20,000.00; we are just paying the invoice with those funds.

MOTION BY MEMBER JARVELA AND SECONDED BY MEMBER TRAYLOR TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO FLASHING THUNDER FIREWORKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00.

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

9. Reports

A. Police Chief's Report

Report was submitted.

B. Hallett Center Report—Hallett Trusts are in town to visit the Hallett Center and the Hallett Library.

Report was submitted.

C. Library Report

Report was submitted.

D. Fire Department Report

Report was submitted.

E. City Administrator Report

Report was submitted.

F. Mayor/Committee Reports—Mayor Cash brought up the issue of Holiday lights; should we hold a special meeting? Workshop? It was decided to have the Finance Committee come up with a budget. Then hold a special council meeting to get them ordered as soon as possible.

CRMC has decided not to replenish the tattered Breast Cancer Awareness flags. Discussion on new flags for the new poles; tabled until above special council meeting.

Mayor Cash inquired about the Mayor's Association meeting in Duluth. If she decides to go, does she need council approval?

Member Heglund would like to see the Working Foreman, Shane Taylor, at the Council Meetings.

Mayor Cash attended the ATV Trails meeting. That group is trying to get approval to use the State Rec Area for safe passage into Crosby and Ironton.

10. Adjournment


MOTION BY MEMBER JARVELA AND SECONDED BY MEMBER TRAYLOR TO ADJOURN AT 7:09 P.M.

A VOICE VOTE: THOSE VOTING AYE: MAYOR CASH, MEMBERS RYAN, HEGLUND, TRAYLOR AND JARVELA. THOSE VOTING NAY: NONE.

MOTION CARRIED.



Diane Cash-Mayor



Stephanie Winegarner-Administrative Assistant

