



CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

Minutes - Final - Final City Council

Monday, January 8, 2018

5:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

5:00 PM CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a Regular Meeting of the Grand Rapids City Council was held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

CALL OF ROLL

Present 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Bill Zeige
Councilor Tasha Connelly
Absent 1 - Councilor Rick Blake

MEETING PROTOCOL POLICY

5:02 PM ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A. Designate Mayor Pro-tem

A motion was made by Councilor Bill Zeige, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy to designate Councilor Tasha Connelly as Mayor Pro-tem for 2018. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

B. Consider adopting City Council By-Laws as amended.

A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Bill Zeige, to approve the Council By-laws as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

C. Designation of official newspaper for the City of Grand Rapids.

A motion was made by Councilor Dale Christy, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to designate the Herald Review as the official newspaper for the City of Grand Rapids. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

D. Consider appointing the following financial institutions as depository designations for 2018: American Bank, Deerwood Bank, Grand Rapids State Bank, Grand Rapids State Investments, Morgan Stanley, U.S. Bank, and Wells Fargo Bank of Minnesota.

A motion was made by Councilor Bill Zeige, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to appoint financial institutions as depository designations for 2018 as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

- E. Appoint Council representatives to Boards & Commissions.

A motion was made by Councilor Dale Christy, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to approve Council appointments to the following Boards & Commissions:

Councilor Tasha Connelly - Park/Rec/Civic Center Board & alternate for Cable Commission

Councilor Rick Blake - GREDA & PUC

Councilor Dale Christy - GREDA

Councilor Bill Zeige - HRA & Airport Advisory Board

Mayor Dale Adams - Cable Commission

The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

- F. Appoint representatives to selected agencies.

A motion was made by Councilor Bill Zeige, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to appoint the following to serve as Council representatives to select agencies as presented:

Councilor Dale Christy - RAMS, City/County Co-op, & Joint Powers Gas Board

Councilor Tasha Connelly - RAMS, City/County Co-op & Greenway Joint Recreation Board

Councilor Bill Zeige - WMMPB, Active Living Center, & Local Gov.

Collaboration Board

Councilor Rick Blake - CGMC

Mayor Dale Adams - WMMPB, Fire Relief Assoc., ARDC & Joint Powers Gas Board

Finance Director Barb Baird - Fire Relief Assoc.

The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

5:20 PUBLIC FORUM
PM

None.

5:25 COUNCIL REPORTS
PM

Mayor Adams announced the upcoming Community Appreciation event for the Multi Purpose Pavilion scheduled for Sunday, February 11th.

Councilor Christy offered a reminder of the annual RAMS meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 10, 2018.

5:30 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
PM

Consider approving Council minutes for Wednesday, December 20, 2017 Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilor Bill Zeige, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to approve Council minutes as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

**5:31 VERIFIED CLAIMS
PM**

Consider approving the verified claims for the period December 14, 2017 to January 2, 2018 in the total amount of \$705,206.20.

A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Zeige to approve the verified claims as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Bill Zeige
Councilor Tasha Connelly

**5:32 CONSENT AGENDA
PM**

1. Consider approving computer software agreements for 2018 with Harris Computer Systems for \$19,612.39.

Approved by consent roll call

2. Consider approving temporary on-sale liquor license to Itasca Curling Club.

Approved by consent roll call

3. Consider approving the continuation of temporary part-time employees at the City of Grand Rapids Park and Recreation Department and the IRA Civic Center.

Approved by consent roll call

4. Consider approving a public service and infrastructure permanent easement from Northern Community Radio related to CP 2010-5, Mississippi River Pedestrian Bridge.

Approved by consent roll call

5. Consider authorizing City staff to make an application to the Blandin Foundation grant program for CP 2010-5

Approved by consent roll call

6. Consider wage increase for Communications Specialist Lauren Van Den Heuvel.

Approved by consent roll call

7. Consider terminating services with Ameriflex.

Approved by consent roll call

8. Consider approving five (5) year extension of Contract for Municipal Services between City of Grand Rapids and Itasca County for connection to emergency generator.
Approved by consent roll call
9. Consider entering into an Agreement with Grand Itasca Clinic and Hospital for Sports Medicine Services.
Approved by consent roll call
10. Consider a resolution to sign a letter of support for the North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment legislation.
Approved Resolution 18-01 by consent roll call
11. Consider the adoption of a resolution accepting a grant from the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (IRRR) Downtown and Business Corridor program.
Approved Resolution 18-02 by consent roll call
12. Consider adopting a resolution accepting \$14.00 in donations for the 2018 Shop with a Hero Event.
Approved Resolution 18-03 by consent roll call

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Zeige, seconded by Councilor Christy, to approve the Consent agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Bill Zeige
Councilor Tasha Connelly

5:37 PM SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to approve the Regular agenda as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

ACKNOWLEDGE BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

13. Acknowledge minutes for Boards & Commissions.

Acknowledge Boards and Commissions

5:40 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT
PM

14. Administration Department - Human Resources, Lynn DeGrio

Lynn DeGrio, Director of Human Resources, presented a report covering staffing, budget, policies, current contract negotiations, safety and wellness, records retention, benefits, etc. A complete text of the report is available in the Administration Office.

Received and Filed

5:50 ADJOURNMENT
PM

A motion was made by Mayor Dale Adams, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 pm. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted:

Lynn DeGrio, Director of Human Resources