



CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

Minutes - Final - Final City Council

Monday, June 25, 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, June 25, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

CALL OF ROLL

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

Staff present:

Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Eric Trast, Barb Baird, Rob Mattei, Lynn DeGrio, Dale Anderson, Steve Schaar, Scott Johnson

MEETING PROTOCOL POLICY

5:01 PM **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

5:06 PM **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor Adams noted that the Independence Day Fireworks will be conducted on June 30th this year. The Project Grand Rapids kickoff at the Chamber of Commerce board meeting was Monday, July 25th. More information will follow throughout the year.

Councilor Connolly notes that the fireworks is a collaborative effort between various communities and organizations.

5:10 PM **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Consider approving Council minutes for Monday, June 11, 2018 Regular meeting.

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

VERIFIED CLAIMS

Consider approving the verified claims for the period June 5, 2018 to June 18, 2018 in the total amount of \$805,948.34.

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

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Rick Blake
Councilor Tasha Connelly

5:11 PM CONSENT AGENDA

1. Completion of Introductory Period for Police Officer Jeffrey Roerick.
Approved by consent roll call
2. Consider approving temporary liquor license for Klockow Brewing Co., to host the beer garden at the annual Car Show event.
Approved by consent roll call
3. Consider awarding a contract for the 2018 Apron Reconstruction Project at the GPZ Airport.
Approved by consent roll call
4. Terminate temporary part-time employees for the IRA Civic Center, Grand Rapids Sports Complex and Parks & Recreation
Approved by consent roll call
5. Consider adopting a resolution accepting a \$3,750 donation from the City of Cohasset and a \$1,000 donation from the Blandin Foundation for the Independence Day Fireworks at Pokegama Lake.
Adopted Resolution 18-47 by consent roll call
6. Consider approving the Grand Rapids / Itasca County Airport DBE Program and Goals
Approved by consent roll call
- 6a. Consider proposed changes to the checks that can be issued by prior approval.
Approved by consent roll call

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Connelly, to approve the Consent agenda with the addition of item #6a from the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Rick Blake
Councilor Tasha Connelly

5:13 PM SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to approve the Regular agenda, noting item #12 was moved to Consent as 6a. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

ACKNOWLEDGE BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**7. Board & Commission minutes:**

Acknowledged:
GREDA Minutes - April 26, 2018
Planning Commission Minutes - May 3, 2018
Arts & Culture Minutes - May 1, 2018
PUC Minutes - May 2, 16 & 30, 2018

5:15 PM DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**8. IRA Civic Center, Parks & Recreation - Dale Anderson**

Dale Anderson, updated the Council on department activities, changes in programming and staff, specifically noting the transfer of recreation programming to the YMCA; location & Installation for recently purchased ADA swing; upcoming ice install; dry floor events; participation with the Project Grand Rapids communications team and the picnic table installation at the Angel of Hope park. A full text of the report is available in the Administration Department.

Received and Filed

5:25 PM CIVIC CENTER, PARKS & RECREATION**9. Consider entering into a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) with the Iron Range Building & Construction Trades Council for Project Grand Rapids located at American Legion Memorial Park.**

City Administrator Pagel provides information on the proposed Project Labor Agreement, its intent and included the estimated economic impact of Project Grand Rapids.

A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Blake, to approve the Project Labor Agreement with Iron Range Building & Construction Trades Council for Project Grand Rapids. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Rick Blake
Councilor Tasha Connelly

6:00 PM ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

- 13.** Consider changing status of Ron Edminster, Facilities Maintenance.

Ms. DeGrio advises the Council that with the resignation of Travis Cole, and the interim appointment of Nate Morlan as Building Official, Nate will be unavailable for some tasks that fall under the Facilities Maintenance responsibilities. Staff propose utilizing Mr. Ron Edminster, currently in phased retirement status, to fill the need on a part time basis until a replacement Building Official is hired.

A motion was made by Councilor Connelly, seconded by Councilor Christy, to approve the status change for Ron Edminster during the time he will assist in the managing of City owned facilities. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Rick Blake
Councilor Tasha Connelly

- 14.** Consider the appointment of Tony Clifton to the Building/Fire Inspector position.

A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to appoint Tony Clifton to the position of Building/Fire Inspector. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

- 15.** Consider appointments to Boards & Commissions.

Councilor Christy reviews need for members on the Housing & Redevelopment Authority and the Economic Development Authority, as well as applications received, and makes a recommendation for appointment.

A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to appoint Kathleen Blake to the HRA, term to expire March 1, 2019 and Mike Korte to the EDA, term to expire March 1, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye 3 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Tasha Connelly

Abstain 1 - Councilor Rick Blake

5:30 PM PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. Conduct a public hearing to consider the vacation of a portion of platted Jones Avenue right-of-way within to Block 8, Syndicate Division of Grand Rapids.
- Mayor Adams states the reason for the public hearing, noting that all those who wish to speak will have opportunity.*
- Director of Community Development, Rob Mattei, provided background information on the vacation request made by Mr. & Mrs. Smith and the recommendation by the Grand Rapids Planning Commission.*
- City Clerk Gibeau confirms that all required notices have been made and the Clerk's office has not received any correspondence in regards to this matter.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to open the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**
- Richard Libby, 18603 Hale Lake Drive, Grand Rapids, expresses concerns over vacating public access to the lake and discusses possible alternatives.*
- No one else wished to speak, therefore the following motion was made.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to close the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

5:45 PM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

11. Consider the adoption of a resolution either approving or denying the vacation of a portion of platted Jones Avenue right-of-way within to Block 8, Syndicate Division of Grand Rapids.
- Councilmembers discussed concerns expressed by Mr. Libby, asking City Attorney Sterle to address these issues prior to moving forward. Mr. Sterle gave greater clarity to court cases and legal decisions cited by Mr. Libby.*
- Ultimately, by granting the requested vacation, there will still be public access to Forest Lake. In addition, there are several points of public access to this body of water.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Connelly, to adopt Resolution 18-48, vacating portion of platted Jones Avenue right-of-way within Block 8, Syndicate Division of Grand Rapids. The motion carried by the following vote.**
- Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy
Mayor Dale Adams
Councilor Rick Blake
Councilor Tasha Connelly

5:55 PM FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Item #12 moved to Consent as item #6a.

**6:20 ADJOURNMENT
PM**

A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Rick Blake, to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 PM. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk