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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, October 10, 2022**

**6:00 PM**

Mayor Christy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

### **CALL OF ROLL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dale Christy, Councilor Dale Adams, Councilor Michelle Toven, Councilor Rick Blake, Councilor Tasha Connelly

**STAFF:** Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Steve Schaar, Barb Baird, Rob Mattei

### **PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

1. Resolution for Indigenous People's Day is read into the record.
2. National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness month proclamation is read into the record.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

No one from the public wished to speak.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Mayor Christy thanks everyone who participated in the goMARTI event.  
Councilor Connelly participated in the active shooter training.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

3. Approve Council minutes for Monday, September 19, 2022 Budget meeting, Monday, September 26, 2022 Worksession and Regular meeting, and summary of Closed meeting on September 26, 2022.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor Toven to approve Council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

### **VERIFIED CLAIMS:**

4. Approve the verified claims for the period September 20, 2022 to October 3, 2022 in the total amount of \$917,740.75.

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Adams to approve the verified claims as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. Consider waiving the statutory tort liability limits to the extent of the coverage purchased.
6. Consider approving the continuation of general liability insurance through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust for calendar year 2023.
7. Consider adopting a resolution accepting low bid and entering into an agreement with NEO Electrical Solutions LLC for CP 2022-1, Highway 2 Lighting Project.

**Adopted Resolution 22-88**

8. Consider accepting quotes from Absolute Fire Protection, ESC Systems and Tru North Electric for the installation of a fire suppression system for the server room at the new Fire Hall.
9. Consider entering into an Agreement for Consulting Services for Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 75 Actuarial Valuation with USI Consulting Group, Inc. previously as Hildi Incorporated.
10. Consider adoption of a resolution authorizing an application to the IRRR Development Infrastructure Grant program for the Airport Development Project

**Adopted Resolution 22-89**

11. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing a grant application to the IRRR Development Infrastructure Grant program for the Itasca County Family YMCA fire alarm and HVAC system upgrades project.

**Adopted Resolution 22-90**

12. Consider approving amendments to Hazmat Response Contract with State of Minnesota.
13. Consider approval of the Municipal Delegation Agreement with Minnesota Dept. of Labor and Industry (DOLI).
14. Consider authorizing staff to advertise with K-Bid the sale of miscellaneous equipment and allow advertising sealed bids for 2 diesel generators using the League of MN Cities no longer used firefighting equipment from the Fire Department.
15. PW PT Eligibility List for Winter Maintenance
16. Consider a resolution awarding a contract to Becker Arena Products for dasher boards and glass

**Adopted Resolution 22-91**

17. Consider approving annual liquor licenses renewals for 2023.

17a. Consider approving temporary liquor license for Itasca Curling Association Bonspiel.

Motion made by Councilor Toven, Second by Councilor Connelly to approve the Consent agenda with the addition of item #17a. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

SET REGULAR AGENDA:

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Connelly to approve the Regular agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

ADMINISTRATION:

18. Consider hiring Chery Pierzina as Human Resource Officer

City Administrator Tom Pagel reviewed position, efforts to fill the vacancy and recommendation to hire Ms. Pierzina.

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Connelly to hire Chery Pierzina as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

19. Consider adopting a resolution regarding the approval of a DEED Minnesota Investment Fund (MIF) application by the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority for the Arbor Wood Co. project.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Toven to **adopt Resolution 22-92**, authorizing GREDA MIF applicaiton for Arbor Wood. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake, Councilor Connelly

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk