

# **CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

## **BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

### **Regular Meeting – September 4, 2018**

Pursuant to due call and notice, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Pro-Tem Erickson presiding.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Meehlhause, Hellquist, Lehmann, Erickson, Larson. Absent: Albrecht, Johnson

Staff Present: Finance Director Ron Eischens, City Attorney Alan Felix, Public Works Director/City Engineer Craig Gray, City Clerk Michelle Miller

**Motion by Lehmann, seconded by Meehlhause, to rescind the action of designating Johnson as the Mayor Pro-Tem for the September 4, 2018 Council Meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

#### **AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA**

Mayor Pro-Tem Erickson called for any amendments to the agenda. **Motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Larson, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

#### **MINUTES**

The following minutes were presented for approval:

Regular Council:	August 20, 2018
Work Session:	August 13, 2018
Sp Work Session:	August 27, 2018
Canvassing Board:	August 16, 2018
Sp BEDA Meeting:	August 16, 2018

**Motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Hellquist, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval. **Motion by Lehmann, seconded by Hellquist, to approve the Consent Agenda items as follows:**

1. Claims Submitted by Finance Officer in the amount of \$1,072,666.71
2. Claims Submitted by VenuWorks for the Sanford Center in the amount of \$15,737.37
3. Miscellaneous Business Licenses for 2018
4. Approve Appointment of Jill Stackhouse to the Heritage Preservation Commission
5. **RESOLUTION NO. 6174:** Approving a Minnesota Gambling Premises Permit for Lawful Gambling to the Bemidji Curling Club located at 1230 23<sup>rd</sup> Street NW
6. Approve Transfer of Liquor License from TBART Enterprises to Hard Times, Inc.
7. **RESOLUTION NO. 6175:** Approving Temporary Off-Premises Liquor Permit to Bunkhouse Bar & Grill
8. Approve Travel Authorization-LMC Fall Planning Retreat, September 12-15 (Albrecht)

**Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

#### **CITIZENS NOT ON AGENDA**

No one appeared.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **Consider Rail Corridor Phase II Technical Memorandum Report**

Monte Hilleman, Port Consulting, presented the Phase II Technical Memorandum to Council. This report focuses on one development scenario (Scenario B). The MPCA as well as the Indian Affairs Office support the use of a berm to store and manage contaminated soils onsite. With that plan the cost of soil remediation is decreased from original estimates down to 1.1 to 2.5 million dollars. The use of the property could potentially generate up to \$536,000 of annual property taxes. They believe the City is in an excellent position to apply for and receive state contamination cleanup and redevelopment grants. The next steps would be to get the project "grant eligible" to be able to approach developers. No additional action was taken at this time.

**ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE** Amending Chapter 4 of the Bemidji City Code Entitled, “Alcoholic Beverages” by Amending the Provisions Relating to Proof of Age was given a first reading.

**UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- Monday, September 10 5:30 p.m. Work Session (If Necessary)
- Monday, September 17 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting (Sp BEDA Mtg)

**COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT**

- Council members provided updates on current events and meetings.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Hellquist, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle R. Miller  
City Clerk