

January 2, 2014

The regular meeting of the Cuyuna City Council was held at 7:00 pm in City Hall. Present were Mayor Brix and council members Eisen and Zontelli. Absent were council members Bedard and Stockard. Mayor Brix led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion by Zontelli to approve the minutes for the December 5, 2013 meeting. Second by Eisen. Motion carried with Zontelli, Eisen, and Brix voting yes.**

**Motion by Zontelli to approve payment of the invoices and the forthcoming regular monthly invoices. Second by Eisen. Motion carried with Zontelli, Eisen, and Brix voting yes.**

**Fire Chief Report:**

- Chief Lou Dirkes presented the monthly CFD report. No council action required.
- The approved ceiling fans are installed at the fire hall and the thermostats have been moved away from the entry doors. These actions should result in a reduction in heating fuel.
- The Cuyuna Firemen's Relief Association will be donating funds to the City and request they be placed in the City's equipment fund.

**Water and Sewer Report:**

- No issues reported.

**Building Construction Activities:**

- No building activity.

**Police Chief Report:**

- The monthly police department activity report was received. No council action required.

**Engineer Report:**

- Tim Houle, WSN Engineer, was present for updates in the Unfinished Business portion of the agenda.

**Attorney Report:**

- Currently is reviewing the offer from Habitat for Humanity to donate several lots to the City. Lots might be able to be used for development. Council will evaluate the pros and cons at the February meeting and whether a HRA entity would be required for development.

**Website Report:**

- No report.

**Blandin/Cuyuna Chamber:**

- No report.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Pump Track: Grant applications have been submitted to the IRRRB and Safe Routes to School Program. No updates at this point.
- Tim Houle, WSN engineer, reported that the City's wastewater project did not make the cut with the Small Cities program. The city will receive more information in April regarding the criteria used for that decision. Cuyuna still has funding applications with IRRRB and Rural Development.
- Also, the state bonding bill for the Wastewater Infrastructure Funding (WIF) is a potential source and it would be good for the council and mayor to contact the area legislators and encourage inclusion of Cuyuna's project on the list.

**New Business:**

- Council reorganized for 2014.

**Motion by Zontelli to adopt the same 2013 City organizational structure for 2014. Second by Eisen. Motion carried with Zontelli, Eisen, and Brix voting yes.**

Meeting Date	First Thursday of each month at 7pm
Acting Mayor	Dave Zontelli
Police Chief	Tim Leonard
Fire Chief	Lou Dirkes
Asst. Fire Chief	Jason Jones
City Attorney	Michael Bender
City Engineer	WSN Engineering
City Building Inspector	Lou Ann Maschler
Health Officer	Dr. Maucieri
Official Newspapers	Crosby-Ironton Courier, Brainerd Daily Dispatch
Official Depositories	Unity Bank of Crosby, 1st National Bank of Deerwood, Mid-MN Federal Credit Union, People's National Bank
Cuyuna Econ. Develop. Authority	Full Council and Mayor
Joint Powers Econ. Develop. Authority	Full Council and Mayor
Serpent Lake Sanitary Sewer District	Lloyd Brix, Lou Dirkes

- Council discussed the need to develop a long term program to maintain the pump track; connect to the bike trail system; establish a campground; and plan how to promote the area for the City's future. Council discussed that there is the opportunity to work with the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Bike Club and Trail Crew and also work with Aaron Hautala per past council direction.

**Motion by Zontelli for the Mayor to appoint two people to meet with the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Bike Club and Trail Crew as well as with Aaron Hautala to gather information and share at subsequent council meetings. Second by Eisen. Motion carried with Zontelli, Eisen, and Brix voting yes.**

- Mayor Brix appointed Zontelli and himself to meet with the trail bike members. Council member Zontelli will contact the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Bike Club president.

#### **Informational:**

- 6 delinquent water accounts.

#### **Adjournment:**

**Motion by Eisen to adjourn. Second by Zontelli. Motion carried with Zontelli, Eisen, and Brix voting yes.**

William F Bedard

Clerk

Lloyd Brix

Mayor