

January 7, 2016

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

Motion by Eisen to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2015 regular council. Second by Z. Brix. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Eisen to approve payment of the invoices and the forthcoming regular monthly invoices. Second by Zontelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Report:

- Chief Dirkes provided the monthly departmental report. Three first responder calls; one each in the city, Rabbit Lake Township, and Irondale Township. There were no fire calls for the month.
- The department provided a monetary donation from its charitable gambling funds to the city in the amount of \$103,500. Department requested \$500 be donated to the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce, \$10,000 to the City general fund, and \$93,000 to the equipment fund. The department is exploring the purchase of a new fire truck. Council expressed their appreciation for this donation.

Water and Sewer Report:

- Mayor reported the thermostat in the pump house has been replaced. No other reportable issues or action required of the council.
- Flush hydrant by old ball park.

Building Construction Activities:

- No report.

Police Chief Report:

- Police Chief Smith presented the written monthly report. Department has been busy with traffic warnings, a domestic disturbance, burglary investigation, property damage complaint, snowmobile complaint, and a resident leaving snow from their driveway on a city street.
- Provided statistics on the department's responses for services. There were 213 in 2015 vs. 159 in 2014.

Engineer Report:

- Tim House of WSN sent his report on activities. Requested re-appointment as city engineer.

Attorney Report:

- Reviewing the abstract for the ball park property.
- Reviewed with the council the agenda items for the forthcoming City Attorney Conference meeting. Expressed the topics this year would not require his attendance.
- Requested re-appointment as Cuyuna City legal counsel.

Website Report:

- The Cuyuna website continues to see increase usage. In 2015 there were 27,000 page reviews vs 10,000 in 2007.

Cuyuna Lakes Chamber:

- Chamber is involved with forthcoming winter events-Serpent Lake Fishing Contest, Whiteout bike race, Ironton Bar Stool Races.

Unfinished Business:

- Sanitary Sewer Project processes are proceeding as scheduled.
- Council discussed the FEMA designated flood plain maps. This map identifies areas within the city that are at hazard for flooding. The city could appeal the boundary designations, but such an appeal would require scientific data different from the FEMA collected data. The process can be extensive. Adopting the flood plain maps and managing the flood plain area, would allow residents to be eligible for reduced rates for flood plain insurance.

New Business:

- Council discussed reorganization for 2016.

Motion by Z. Brix to adopt the 2015 city organization for 2016 and adding Pat Pickar as the Assistance Police Chief. Second by Eisen. Motion carried unanimously.

2016 organizational information

Meeting Date	First Thursday of each month at 7pm
Acting Mayor	Dave Zontelli
Police Chief	Jesse Smith
Assistant Police Chief	Pat Pickar
Fire Chief	Lou Dirkes
Asst. Fire Chief	Karl Hasskamp
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, Neighborhood 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, Dave Zontelli

- Clerk reported the County has moved up the repair to CSAH31 from 2017 to the summer of 2016. The repair will not include 1500' of the highway through the down town area as that portion was completed several years ago and is in good condition.

Adjournment:

- **Motion by Eisen to adjourn. Second by Zontelli. Motion carried unanimously.**

William F Bedard
Clerk

Lloyd Brix
Mayor.