

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF EAST GULL LAKE, COUNTY OF CASS, STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**November 6, 2014  
6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The East Gull Lake City Council met in Regular Session at 6:30 P.M. and was called to order by Mayor Kavanaugh.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Kavanaugh, Councilors Lang, Ruttger, Demgen and Hoffman  
Absent: None

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- 4a. Additions: None
- 4b. Deletions: None

**M/S/P, all ayes, Demgen, Lang, to approve the agenda as presented**

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**M/S/P, all ayes, Councilors Demgen, Demgen; to approve the following Consent Agenda items:**

- 5a. October 2014 City Council Meeting Minutes
- 5b. September 2014 Financial Statement
- 5c. Approved October 2014 claims 18435 to 18490 for total amount of \$39637.07

**OPEN FORUM**

None

**PLANNING & ZONING**

- 7a. Administrator Mason discussed a property that has several violations that have been done by a renter. He noted that the eviction process has been started.  
He discussed new land use permits that have been issued.  
Inspections on current projects were discussed.  
Discussion on new rates for permitting was discussed. It was noted that there may be a new level for a permit application for those projects that are less than 101 square feet, noting that a charge of \$50.00 would be more appropriate than the \$150 that is being charged currently.  
Councilor Demgen noted that the pictures that were presented at the Planning Commission meeting were done very well.

**WASTEWATER & ROAD REPORT**

It was noted that there needs to be a public notice for the rate increase for wastewater billing to be approved at the next Council meeting.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

No Report

## **PARK & TRAILS**

No Report

## **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

No Report

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

No Report

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

No Report

## **CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

14a. Administrator Mason started with discussion on the 2015 budget.

- Health insurance was discussed. The decision to switch to Blue Cross and Blue Shield was made.

**M/S/P, all ayes, Councilors Hoffmann, Ruttger to approve the insurance company switch from Preferred One to Blue Cross and Blue Shield.**

- Discussion of sale of bonds to decrease interest was discussed. It was noted that the sale could go out for bidding and then make the decision.

**Ayes, Councilors Lang, Hoffmann, Demgen, Ruttger, Mayor Kavanaugh, approval to adopt Resolution 11:01-14 – Resolution Providing for the Sale of \$1,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A.**

- Patching the tennis courts was discussed
- Board of Review requirements were discussed
- Closing City Hall on Fridays after Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day was agreed upon
- The Lincoln Life Insurance policy was discussed, noting that the monies would be better appropriated if they were applied to the employee HSA accounts. It was noted that the policy was to be investigated
- The requirement for the fencing around the airport was discussed and Administrator Mason noted that a new account would have to be created to accurately designate the funds needed to construct the fence next spring.
- Costs for the Airport upkeep were discussed
- Discussion ensued regarding a replacement plan for City assets such as the trucks and tools used for Wastewater maintenance.
- Discussion ensued regarding changing the lights in City Hall, putting a fan in the bathroom and lighting the flag.
- Administrator Mason discussed the projects and work load of the wastewater employees
- Discussion ensued on Planning and Zoning budget and permit fees

- Administrator Mason noted that the wastewater delinquent list needs to be sent to Cass County and discussed the residents that are on that list

**M/S/P, all ayes, Councilors Ruttger, Demgen to approve tax certification for delinquent wastewater bills.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilor Ruttger noted that MN DNR still has Ruth Lake registered as a Natural Environmental Lake and Administrator Mason is to contact DNR to explain that it was changed to General Development Lake years ago and try to ensure that the DNR registers it as such.

**NEXT REGULAR SESSIONS OF CITY COUNCIL/OTHER MEETINGS**

Planning and Zoning Meeting .....Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at 6:30pm  
City Council Meeting ..... Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 6:30pm  
Wastewater & Road Committee Meeting..... Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 3:00pm

**M/S/P, all ayes, Ruttger, Demgen, to adjourn the meeting**

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Mason  
City Administrator/Planning & Zoning Administrator

These minutes are paraphrased and are not written word for word.