

**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, May 11, 2020  
City of Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota**

1. The Hoyt Lakes City Council met in regular session via Zoom/phone in due to COVID-19 on Monday, May 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Those present: Mayor Chris Vreeland. Councilors: David Zins, Brian Ceglar, Daniel Popp, Christine Peterson. City staff also present: City Attorney Mitchell Brunfelt, Deputy Clerk Tammy Snetsinger, Library Director Sue Sowers, Public Works Supervisor Ken Snetsinger, Public Utilities Supervisor Jake Berndt and Assistant Ambulance Director Jen Hull.

2. Moved by Councilor Ceglar, supported by Councilor Zins, approving the following items from the consent agenda. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Item 3 Regular City Council meeting minutes of April 27, 2020.  
Special City Council meeting minutes of May 5, 2020.

Item 7 Filing of correspondence:  
Animal Control Officer – March 2020 report;  
RAMS – March 26, 2020 Board meeting minutes;  
City of Virginia – Notification dated May 6, 2020 – EPA – Brownfields grant application not selected.

Item 10 Receipts, claims and payroll:  
Receipts: \$354,271.11  
Claims: \$118,358.97  
Payroll Earnings: \$51,427.81  
Payroll Employer Costs: \$6,962.19  
Payroll Total: \$58,390.00  
Total Claims & Payroll: \$176,748.97  
Motion Carried.

3. Guests and Citizens Forum:  
None.

4. Department Reports:  
Library Director Sowers stated that curbside pickup services started last week and is going well. A virtual summer reading program is being planned.

Public Works Supervisor Snetsinger shared updates on dock installation, scheduling of summer staff while utilizing COVID-19 protocol and the Suffolk/Andover street project. He advised water at the campground will be turned on as soon as the temperatures stay above freezing.

Public Utilities Supervisor Berndt advised that sludge will be hauled out to the mines starting tomorrow. Staff will begin working on raised curb stops in resident's yards and hydrant flushing is scheduled to be done beginning the week of May 18, 2020.

5. Council Reports:  
Councilor Popp attended the final Youth in Action meeting for the year via zoom. He was proud to announce that a Mesabi East student was the recipient of one of their scholarships.

Councilor Peterson attended the Hoyt Lakes Chamber of Commerce meeting last week. They were able to give eleven \$400 scholarships to Hoyt Lakes seniors.

Mayor Vreeland provided updates on Cares Funding and shared The Brownsville Grant was denied.

6. The public hearing for the proposed Water Treatment Facility Improvements convened at 6:45 pm. Brian J. Guldán with Bolton & Menk shared a power point presentation on the new trickling filters, mechanical screens, cost estimates and project financing. Resident Mary Myklebust questioned the projected time of

completion for the project, household sizes and costs of utility bills and how to obtain copies of the power point presentation. The Mayor shared that resident meters are not being considered at this time and that the Wastewater Treatment plant project is mandated by the state to be in compliance. There were no additional comments. The public hearing closed at 7:08 pm.

Moved by Councilor Ceglar, supported by Councilor Popp, to adopt City of Hoyt Lakes Resolution 2020-017, "A Resolution Accepting the Facility Plan Amendment No. 2 for Mercury Removal at the Wastewater Treatment Facility". Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Moved by Councilor Popp, supported by Councilor Peterson, to authorize advertisement for bids for the updated improvements at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

7. Emily Major, SEH, discussed the quotes received for material testing services for the 2020 Street and Infrastructure Project. The low bid by Northeastern Technical Services was recommended.

Moved by Councilor Zins, supported by Councilor Ceglar, to approve Northeastern Technical Services bid of \$11,710 (other bid Braun Intertech Corp \$18,421) for Material Testing Services for the 2020 Street and Infrastructure Project. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

8. There was discussion on the opening of further seasonal campsites at Fisherman's Point Campground to Hoyt Lakes residents.

Moved by Councilor Popp, supported by Councilor Zins, to offer twenty-four additional seasonal campsites at Fisherman's Point Campground to Hoyt Lakes residents, with five sites being offered in Loop 1 that were originally not available, subject to approval by Chief Soular and being current on City Utility Bill, with social distancing practices being exercised. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Councilor Ceglar, supported by Councilor Popp, to schedule a special City Council meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 4:00 pm, to discuss COVID-19 in relation to Water Carnival, City beach and various summer recreational activities. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

9. Moved by Councilor Zins, supported by Councilor Ceglar, to table scheduling a special meeting for the 2019 audit review. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

10. Moved by Councilor Ceglar, supported by Councilor Peterson, to adjourn at 7:34 pm. Roll Call: Ayes: Vreeland, Zins, Popp, Ceglar, Peterson; Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Chris J. Vreeland  
Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tammy Snetsinger  
Deputy Clerk