

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

December 1, 2009

The City Council of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on December 1, 2009 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The following Councilmembers were present: Cullen, Erickson, Kajewski, Lee, Schmalz, and Mayor Nordhagen. Councilmembers Holten and Bendickson were absent. Mayor Nordhagen chaired the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Cullen motioned, being seconded by Councilmember Lee, to approve the agenda with additions. On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously approved and the agenda adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-269-09: APPROVAL OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Kajewski introduced Resolution No. 12-269-09, being seconded by Councilmember Erickson, that:

RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve the November 17, 2009 Council Proceedings as presented.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-270-09: APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

Presented as part of the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Kajewski introduced Resolution No. 12-270-09, being seconded by Councilmember Erickson, that:

RESOLVED, by the City Council, to authorize payment of bills and disbursements in the total amount of \$634,569.47. A printout of the approved payments and disbursements is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-271-09: APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT OF MICHAEL SCHWANKE, WATER SYSTEMS OPERATOR

The City Council reviewed the proposed employment of a Water Systems Operator. Following discussion, Councilmember Lee introduced Resolution No. 12-271-09, being seconded by Councilmember Schmalz, that:

RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve the employment of Michael Schwanke as a Water Systems Operator. Mr. Schwanke shall begin employment at Step 1 of the Water Systems Operator salary schedule, effective December 7, 2009 contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment testing requirements.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-272-09: APPROVAL OF ISSUANCE OF ON-SALE INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSE AND SUNDAY LIQUOR LICENSE TO HACIENDA LOS BRAVO'S

The City Council reviewed an application for an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License. Following discussion, Councilmember Lee introduced Resolution No. 12-272-09, being seconded by Councilmember Cullen, that:

RESOLVED, by the City Council, to approve the issuance of an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and a Sunday Liquor License to Hacienda Los Bravo's, Inc., d.b.a. Hacienda Los Bravo's at 1849 Highway 59 South, effective January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-273-09: APPROVAL OF MNDOT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR REPLACEMENT OF FUEL FARM CARDTROL AND FUEL FARM PIPING

The City Council reviewed a proposed grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation. Following discussion, Councilmember Lee introduced Resolution No. 12-273-09, being seconded by Councilmember Erickson, that:

WHEREAS, the City of Thief River Falls is eligible to receive grant money from the Minnesota Department of Transportation in the amount of 50% of the cost of replacement of the Regional Airport's fuel farm cardtrol system and replacement of the fuel farm piping; and,

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation shall provide \$11,539.60 toward the \$23,079.20 project cost, with the City being responsible for the remaining \$11,539.60.

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, by the City Council, that the State of Minnesota Agreement No. 95860 "Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Excluding Land Acquisition" for State Project No. 5701-73 at the Thief River Falls Regional Airport is accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized to execute this Agreement and any amendments on behalf of the City of Thief River Falls.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-274-09: RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING ON VACATION OF A PORTION OF FIFTH STREET

The City Council considered a proposed vacation of a portion of Fifth Street. Following discussion, Councilmember Cullen introduced Resolution No. 12-274-09, being seconded by Councilmember Kajewski, that:

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, has determined to vacate that part of Fifth Street lying between Atlantic Avenue North and the Soo Line Railroad Company right of way in the City of Thief River Falls, Pennington County, Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THIEF RIVER FALLS, MINNESOTA:

The Council will consider the vacation of that part of Fifth Street lying between Atlantic Avenue North and the Soo Line Railroad Company right of way, and a public hearing shall be held on such proposed vacation on the 5th day of January, 2010, before the City Council in the City Council Chambers, 405 3rd Street East, Thief River Falls, Minnesota, at 4:55 P.M., and the Clerk shall give published and posted notice as required by law.

On vote being taken, the resolution was unanimously passed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Public Utilities Committee – December 7, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation /Public Safety Committee – December 8, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.
- Public Works Committee – December 9, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.
- Administrative Services Committee – December 10, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.
- City Council/County Meeting – December 14, 2009 at 7:00 a.m. at Dee's Kitchen
- City Council Meeting – December 15, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Members of the City Council will be participating in the Salvation Army bell ringing on December 12, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at KMart.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Schmalz moved, being seconded by Councilmember Kajewski, to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. until December 14, 2009 at 7:00 a.m. On vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned.

Steve Nordhagen, Mayor

Attest: _____
Jodie R. Torkelson, City Administrator