

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A work session was held beginning at 3:30 p.m. and the regular meeting of the Coleraine City Council began at 4:00 p.m., Monday, July 12th 2021, in the Council Chambers of Coleraine City Hall.

WORK SESSION

3:30 p.m.

Peggy Smith and friends of 440 came and spoke to Council regarding the increased and unruly traffic on County Road 440. They are very concerned about the safety of all residents but especially of the many children that live there; there are 20 children under 18 from the 90 degree corner to Hwy 169. They are requesting increased patrols late at night and the possibility of putting in a radar trailer or an electronic speed sign. They wish the Council to review and start the process to get something done.

David Storrs of Midway Lane inquired on the progress of getting something done there and thanked the Council for increased visibility of patrols.

REGULAR MEETING

4:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Nielsen at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was done by Clerk Anderson. Members present: Councilpersons Pollard, Soltzak, T. Troumbly, Sertich, and Mayor Nielsen. Attorney Dimich was also present.

Moved by Mayor Nielsen, supported by Councilperson Sertich, **to approve the consent agenda which included Council meeting minutes of 6.28.21, correspondence, and claims of \$258,556.47.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons Sertich, Pollard, Soltzak, and T. Troumbly. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Nielsen, supported by T. Troumbly, **to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of Sweeper bids under new business.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Lila Dezelske addressed the Council and requested that they consider formally dedicating the Gazebo to a longtime Coleraine resident. The reasoning was stated with a long list of accolades.

Resident Lloyd Anderson inquired on the status of the new flooring for the Nyberg Center kitchens and bathrooms. He also questioned what was being done with new or revised routes for garbage pick-up.

Resident Ken Smith wanted to know where the City was at with getting repairs done on Congdon.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police:

No report.

Public Works (Street):

No report. Harry is on vacation.

ATTORNEY:

Nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

MDE Library Construction Grant -- It was announced that the City received the \$30,000 construction grant applied for from the Minnesota Department of Education. This is a reimbursement grant. Specific details of the grant agreement, formal acceptance, and where committed funds will come from for the grant will be on a later agenda. No action necessary.

Certificate of Support-Virginia Public Safety Center – Motion by Councilperson T. Troumbly with the support of Pollard **to approve a letter of support for the Virginia Public Safety Center.** Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Utility late fees – Motion by Mayor Nielsen, supported by Councilperson Sertich **to officially reinstate the \$5 late fee on utilities not being paid by the 20th of the month.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons Sertich, T. Troumbly, Sobtzak, and Pollard. Nays: none. Motion carried.

End Local Peace Time Emergency – Motion by Mayor Nielsen with the support of Councilperson T. Troumbly **to end the local peace time emergency that began March 27, 2020.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons T. Troumbly, Sertich, Sobtzak, and Pollard. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Gazebo in Longyear Park – Motion by Mayor Nielsen, supported by Councilperson Pollard **to dedicate the Longyear Park Gazebo to a Community member.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons Pollard, Sobtzak, T. Troumbly, and Sertich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Sweeper Bids – One bid was received. **Motion** by Mayor Nielsen supported by T. Troumbly **to accept the \$4001 bid from the City of Taconite and to send notice to Bovey for their approval.** Roll Call: Ayes: Mayor Nielsen, Councilpersons T. Troumbly, Pollard, Sobtzak, and Sertich. Nays: none. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Brock Lane – tabled.

Log Church Maintenance – tabled.

Joint Public Works facility – tabled.

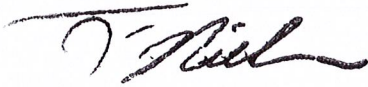
CIP Plan – There was discussion regarding review of the plan in advance of budget preparation. No action necessary at this time.

ARP-LFR funds – Certification to receive funds has been completed. The City is awaiting the first half disbursement. No formal action necessary.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

- Pollard:** Will not be in attendance but will be meeting via TEAMS for the next Council meeting.
T. Troumbly: Had questions on the application process for Deputy Clerk. Clerk Anderson informed that typically the Supervisor, two council members and possibly one outsider be on the review and selection committee.
Sobtzak: None
Sertich: None
Nielsen: None

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Nielsen at 4:54 p.m.



Thomas Nielsen, Mayor



Briana Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer