

**MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY OF AURORA COUNCIL MEETING
CITY/TOWN GOVERNMENT CENTER
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017
5:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Councilors Worshek, Lislegard, Lakso, Mayor Hess

ABSENT: Councilor Cromley

ALSO PRESENT: Wayne Thuringer, Public Works Director; Tim Kauppi, City Clerk-Treasurer

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Moved by Hess and supported by Lislegard to approve usage of the Community Center for no rental fee, just a deposit only, to Anne Clayton on August 7-11, 2017. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Worshek and supported by Lakso to approve City Clerk-Treasurer Tim Kauppi as signatory on all city accounts. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to approve the travel request for City Clerk-Treasurer Tim Kauppi to attend Clerks' Orientation on June 14-16 in Rochester, Minnesota. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to approve an initial payment of \$1,950 to Gornick's Nuisance Wildlife Control in acceptance of that company's bid to assist in reducing the number of pigeons in the city through trapping and other controls. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Hess to designate a committee of Mayor Hess, Linda Cazin, Chuck Williams, and Tim Kauppi to review the current city animal ordinance and report back to the council at its regular meeting in July with the committee's findings and proposed changes. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Lakso to approve payment of \$407.40 to East Range Shopper out of miscellaneous funds to pay for newspaper advertisement for Aurora Patriotic Days 2017. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Worshek and supported by Lislegard to approve the Aurora Patriotic Days schedule for 2017 as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to approve sending a letter to the Town of White regarding the tar trailer stating that the city will communicate better in the future to see if Town of White's use of the tar trailer is feasible. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to approve the recommendation of the hiring committee for five Temporary Summer Seasonal Laborers: Levi Skelton, Ashleigh Seabrook, Autem Seabrook, Chelsey Rasmussen, and Ryan Peterson. Should one of these candidates not be available, the backup candidate will be John Griener. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Worshek and supported by Lislegard to approve the recommendation of the hiring committee to hire Clinton Sova as Temporary Casual Laborer. The backup candidate will be Kathryn Nisula. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Worshek and supported by Lakso to approve the recommendation of the hiring committee to hire Joe Bjerke as a Temporary Employee at minimum wage for 32 hours per week not to exceed 67 days. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Hess and supported by Lislegard to approve payment to Green Again Lawn & Landscape for weed and feed treatments at Pine Grove Park, City Hall, the Community Center, and the Fire Hall. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Hess to approve budgeting for city assessments instead of the county billing the city for them and then paying the bill. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to adopt Resolution No. 2017-05 authorizing the City of Aurora to make application to and accept funds from the IRRRB Community Infrastructure Grant Program. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Lakso to pay out of reserves to Mesabi East I.S.D. 2711 \$82,118.29 for overpayment by the school for their water utility bill for the high school pool. MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Worshek and supported by Lislegard to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Mary Hess, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tim Kauppi, City Clerk-Treasurer