

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
COOK CITY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 28, 2010 – CITY HALL – 6 PM**

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PRESENT: Mayor Dick Edblom, Councilors Jody Bixby, Dan Manick and Elizabeth Storm  
ABSENT: Councilor Karen Hollanitsch  
OTHERS PRESENT: Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Theresa Martinson, Deputy-Clerk/Treasurer Cindy Palm,  
Cook News Herald and The Timberjay

Mayor Edblom called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

The River Street Streetscape Project will begin in 2010. Approval was requested for the mayor and project engineer to sign the updated project memorandum for submittal to St. Louis County.

Motion by Storm, second by Bixby to approve Mayor Edblom and Project Engineer John Jamnick to sign the updated project memorandum and submit it to St. Louis County for the River Street Streetscape Project to begin in 2010. **MOTION CARRIED**

RLK Engineering presented pay estimate #6 for \$43,300.68 to Magney Construction for the Well and Water Treatment Plant Projects and pay estimates #2 for \$288,233.04 and #3 for \$133,000 to Maguire Iron for the Water Tower Project for approval.

Motion by Storm, second by Manick to approve pay estimate #6 for \$43,300.68 to Magney Construction and pay estimates #2 for \$288,233.04 and #3 for \$133,000 to Maguire Iron. **MOTION CARRIED**

Legal newspaper bids were opened from the Cook News Herald and the Timberjay. Bids submitted were based on different pica sizes for print. A notice will be submitted to each newspaper. This notice shall be printed at the same pica size of 12 Pica – lowercase alphabet according to the bid amount submitted. The council will appoint the legal newspaper and award the bid based on the cost of the printed notice.

Motion by Storm, second by Manick to request that the bidding newspapers publish a notice provided by the City of Cook at 12 Pica-lowercase alphabet according to their bid submitted. Legal newspaper appointment and bid approval will be based on cost of printed notice. **MOTION CARRIED**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval/correction of Regular Council Minutes of December 17, 2009
- B. Approval/correction of Special Council / Public Hearing Minutes of December 17, 2009 -  
Second Avenue / First Avenue SE Street Vacation
- C. Approval / correction of Special Council Minutes of December 17, 2009 - Truth In Taxation Public  
Hearing (2010 Levy & Budget Adoption)
- D. Approval/correction of Planning and Zoning Public Hearing Minutes of December 17, 2009 – Spectrum  
Garage Variance
- E. Reporting of the December 2009 Liquor Store Sales

	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
2009	\$95,050.25	\$1,350,574.00
2008	<u>\$93,418.10</u>	<u>\$1,328,329.57</u>
	\$ 1,632.15	\$ 22,244.43

F. Bill Presentation	Paid since last presentation	\$245,443.46
	Presented for payment	\$430,833.06
G. Airport Operator's Report		
H. Maintenance Department Report		
I. Ambulance Service Activity Report		
J. Recreation Committee Minutes of January 11, 2010		
K. Safety / Emergency Preparedness Minutes of January 20, 2010		
L. Administrator Martinson attendance at MCFOA Conference		
M. 2010 Appointments		
N. 2010 Journal of City Council Meeting Dates		
O. 2010 Journal of Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting Dates		
P. 2010 Journal of Recreation Committee Meeting Dates		
Q. Cook Chamber of Commerce Minutes of December 7, 2009		

Councilor Manick requested a clarification to the December Truth in Taxation Minutes to remove quotes from those in attendance at City Council Meetings. In the past, meeting attendees were often quoted and moving forward the council feels that the minutes should refrain from using quotes from those attending the meeting.

The contracted snow shoveling of the City Hall and Library sidewalks is a trial expense for this season due to the one-person maintenance department.

Motion by Manick, second by Bixby to approve the consent agenda. **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS:**

The Recreation Commission reported that the Wings and Things Fundraiser will be held April 10, 2010 at the Crescent Bar and Grill.

The \$50,000 IRR grant funds have been utilized for the building of the new community center.

A barricade will be installed at the entrance to the parking lot during the spring thaw to protect the parking lot from getting damaged.

The rink has been flooded by Cook Volunteer Firefighters and Tammy Palmer has notified the newspapers. Area students have volunteered to shovel the rink and local volunteers are needed as well. Mackenzie Reing and Megan Ehrnriter were recognized for their dedication and support of the ice rink clearing and schedule.

The Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee reported that on December 29, 2009 an OSHA Inspection was performed. All city buildings were inspected and passed. The Safety Committee will perform a walk through of each building in June 2010.

The City Siren has been inspected and is working. This siren is to be used for Tornadoes only and will be tested April through September. Notices will be posted in the local papers prior to testing.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Water Meter Project does not have any new updates and is waiting for the attorneys to finalize the agreement with Granite Bonding.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Two quotes were received for the sale of the police squad vehicle. St. Louis County quoted \$20,000 and Waschke Family Chevrolet quoted \$17,000 with the county receiving the highest quote. Council approval is needed for the sale of the police squad to St. Louis County for \$20,000.

Motion by Storm, second by Bixby to approve the sale of the 2007 Chevy Tahoe Police Squad vehicle to St. Louis County for the highest quote of \$20,000. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **COUNCIL FORUM:**

Councilor Storm requested that the Council and Administration sign the Principals of Cooperation and Conflict of Interest statements.

Councilor Storm urged safety for citizens, as snow banks on corners and roadways are safety hazards.

Councilor Manick reported that he was proud of the results of the OSHA visit on December 29, 2009.

Mayor Edblom reported that a meeting will be held at the Cook School on February 10, 2010 regarding the school building and remodeling issues that recently passed. This meeting will involve the school board and communities and he urges involvement.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Manick, second by Bixby to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Palm  
Deputy-Clerk/Treasurer