# MINUTES REGULAR MEETING COOK CITY COUNCIL JUNE 28, 2012 – CITY HALL – 6 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Harold Johnston, Councilors Kim Brunner, Karen Hollanitsch and Elizabeth

Storm

ABSENT: Councilor Jody Bixby

OTHERS PRESENT: Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Theresa Martinson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Cindy Palm,

Airport Coordinator Tom Woock and Librarian Steve Harsin

Mayor Harold Johnston called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

## **PUBLIC FORUM:**

JPJ Engineer, John Jamnick, recommends Partial Pay Estimate 1 to Mesabi Bituminous Inc in the amount of \$136,337.75 for the 2012 Drainage and Utility Improvements project. John Jamnick also submitted an invoice for \$9,926.85 for engineering services for 1<sup>st</sup> Street SW.

Motion by Brunner, second by Hollanitsch to approve Partial Pay Estimate 1 to Mesabi Bituminous Inc for \$136,337.75 and engineering services to JPJ Engineering for \$9,926.85 for the 2012 Drainage and Utility Improvements project. **MOTION CARRIED** 

The projected project completion date is July 9, 2012. Complaints have been addressed with positive communication between the residents and project inspector.

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval/correction of Regular Council Minutes of May 24, 2012
- B. Approval/correction of the Special Council Minutes of May 24, 2012 Refinancing of Outstanding Bond Indebtedness
- C. Approval/correction of the Special Council Minutes of May 24, 2012 2012 Drainage and Utility Improvements Project

D.	Bill Presentation	Paid since last presentation	\$ 125,626.34
		Presented for payment	\$ 25,692.24

E. Reporting of the May 2012 Liquor Store Sales

	MTD	<u>YTD</u>
2012	\$ 144,781.02	\$ 463,406.18
2011	\$ <u>127,432.17</u>	\$ 425,075.03
	\$ 17,348.85	\$ 38,331.15

- F. Resolution May 2012 Donations Designated
- G. Airport Operator's Report
- H. Ambulance Service Report
- I. Library Board Minutes of May 2, 2012
- J. Recreation Commission Minutes of May 21, 2012
- K. Cook Chamber Minutes of June 4, 2012

Motion by Johnston, second by Storm to approve the consent agenda. MOTION CARRIED

## **COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS:**

# Airport

Airport Coordinator, Tom Woock, requested replacement of the boiler heating system and exterior staining of the terminal building at a total cost of \$8,225.

A state grant is available with monies left over from other airports that did not use all funding. The funding ratio is 70:30 which would result in a cost of \$2,467.50 for boiler replacement and exterior staining with funds used from the capital and general fund budget.

The boiler failed and a fire extinguisher was used to put the flame out. The existing boiler heats the entire building, is 27 years old, and has been rebuilt twice in the last ten years. The old boiler is fuel oil and a propane system will be installed for the new boiler. Quotes were received for the boiler replacement with Range LP Gas the low bid at \$3,975.

Motion by Storm, second by Hollanitsch to accept Range LP Gas as low bid at \$3,975 for the terminal building boiler replacement. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

Tom has also requested exterior staining for the terminal building as this is not accepted on the 5 year CIP plan and needs to be maintained. Quotes were received for the exterior staining project with Northern Log Home the low bid at \$4250.

Motion by Storm, second by Brunner to accept Northern Log Home as low bid at \$4,250 for exterior staining of the terminal building. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

A proposal was also presented for crack sealing of the hanger and taxi lane by Fahrner Asphalt Sealers LLC for \$4,250 with 90:10 state funding. This project would be under the new grant for land acquisition in progress for 2012. Fahrner Asphalt Sealers LLC is on the MNDot state approved contractor list for this type of airport work.

Motion by Storm, second by Hollanitsch to accept Fahrner Asphalt Sealers LLC for bituminous crack sealing for \$4,250 as part of the land acquisition grant in progress for 2012.

Airport Coordinator, Tom Woock also reported that the lift station pump failed and a local contractor was called in to repair it.

An asphalt inspection was done and KGM Contractors Inc has been released from any warranty issues for State Project 6917-32 Federal 05-10. A final payment request will be presented to the council at the July council meeting after final state approval.

# **Library**

Librarian, Steve Harsin, introduced himself to the council and gave a detailed update of what has been developing with the library since his position began in early 2012.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilor Hollanitsch presented an update on the Lake Vermilion Trail Plan implementation efforts.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

WC Heiam Medical Foundation requested approval for a gambling permit and temporary liquor license for their event to be held August 11, 2012.

Motion by Storm, second by Brunner to approve a gambling permit and temporary liquor license for their event to be held August 11, 2012. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

The 2012 Election requires Resolution 120628 to form an Absentee Ballot Board to accept or reject absentee ballots returned to the City of Cook. This eliminates the need for election judges to perform this task on Election Day and allows the accepted absentee ballots to be added to the vote counts on Election Day. This Resolution authorizes the City Clerk to implement a City Absentee Ballot Board for all elections.

Administrator Martinson also requested council approval appointing the following as 2012 City of Cook Election Judges: Ruth Boudreau, Lois Larson, Karen Lind, Renee Noteboom, Doreen Olson, Cindy Palm, Muriel Simonson and Donna Snyder. Head Judges are Karen Lind and Donna Snyder.

Motion by Storm, second by Hollanitsch to approve Resolution 120628 authorizing a City Absentee Ballot Board and to appoint 2012 City of Cook Election Judges. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

Cook Hospital has requested permission to use the Doug Johnson Recreation Area for the Cook Hospital 5K Walk-Run to be held September 22, 2012.

Motion by Storm, second by Brunner to approve use of the Doug Johnson Recreation Area for the Cook Hospital 5K Walk-Run to be held September 22, 2012. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

Councilor Storm reported that the Personnel Committee performed the annual review for Administrator Martinson and recommends continued employment for the City of Cook. The Personnel Committee also thanked her for her dedicated work for the city.

# **COUNCIL FORUM:**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Hollanitsch, second by Johnston to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:20 pm. **MOTION CARRIED** 

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Palm Deputy-Clerk/Treasurer