

**Council Minutes - May 1, 2018**  
**Regular Meeting Ely City Council – City Hall, Council Chambers**

1. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Novak called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.
2. PRESENT: Council members A.Forsman, Kess, Debeltz, Omerza, Callen, D.Forsman and Mayor Novak  
ABSENT: None
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
**Debeltz/D.Forman moved to Approve minutes from the April 17, 2018 Regular Council Meeting, the April 24, 2018 Special Council Meeting, the April 24, 2018 Public Hearing, and the April 24, 2018 Study Session. Motion Carried Unanimously.**
4. ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO AGENDA
  - A. Addition 13. A. Hidden Valley Mountain Bike Trails
  - B. Addition 13. B. Council request to EEDA to establish an Internet Enterprise Fund
  - C. Ely Flower and Seed Sheridan St Planters quote for \$4000.00**Additions A-C Added without objection**
5. MAYOR’S REPORT  
Mayor Novak reported on his recent trip to Perham, MN for the Annual Minnesota Mayors Association Conference.
6. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Motion to waive readings in entirety of all ordinances and resolutions on tonight’s agenda.
  - B. Approve Council and Staff to attend Bridging Divides: What to do when people disagree through the League of Minnesota Cities.**Debeltz/D. Forsman moved to approve the Consent Agenda items A and B, Motion Carried Unanimously.**
7. REQUESTS TO APPEAR
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Standing/Special  
Park and Recreation Board
    - i. **Omerza/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from the Park and Recreation Board that the Farmers Market be allowed a dog holding area on the perimeter of the park during Farmers Market hours. Motion Carried Unanimously.**
    - ii. **Omerza/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from the Park and Recreation Board to revise the rental agreement with Heavy Metal Sports at Semers Park for a two year lease and to move forward with execution. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Employee Relation Committee

**Omerza/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from the Employee Relations Committee that the attached redlined changes and discussion points on page 26 and 27 of the City of Ely Employee Handbook be updated which include Council and EUC will file an oral or written report upon completion of trips, Travel Per Diem rated will be based on the prevailing rate based on the GSA current fiscal year, and sharing of expenses be eliminated and be at the discretion of the travelers. Motion Carried Unanimously**

9. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A. Clerk-Treasurer

Clerk Langowski presented three bids for the Semers Park Pavillion.

**Kess/Debeltz moved to table bids until the June, 5 2018 Council Meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

B. Fire Chief

C. Library Director

D. Police Chief

E. City Attorney

F. City Engineer

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Correspondence from Tina Smith United States Senator for participating in the Rural Broadband Meeting.

B. Correspondence from St Louis County for hosting the April 24, 2018 St Louis County Board Meeting.

C. Correspondence from the AAUW on Equal Pay.

11. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

**A. Debeltz/Callen moved to approve the City and EUC claims for May 1, 2018 in the amount of \$92,317.85. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

12. OLD BUSINESS:

**A. A.Forsman/ Kess moved to approve the City Clerk and City Attorney to draft an ordinance under the direction of the Tree Board for tapping boulevard maple trees. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

13. NEW BUSINESS:

**A. A. Forsman/Omerza moved to approve the proposal from Dirt Candy Designs to design approximately 10 miles of single track mountain bike trails at Hidden Valley in the amount of \$13,200. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**B. Debeltz/ D. Forsman moved to approve the recommendation from the Ely City Council that the EEDA establish an Internet Enterprise Fund. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**C. Debeltz/D. Forsman moved to approve quote from Ely Flower and Seed for planters to be used on Sheridan St in the amount of \$4,000. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

14. OPEN FORUM

15. ADJOURN

Mayor Novak adjourned the meeting at 6:19pm without objection.

Katie Richards  
Account Clerk