

**Council Minutes- August 21<sup>st</sup> 2018**  
**Regular Meeting Ely City Council – City Hall, Council Chambers**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Novak called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 5:30pm

PRESENT: Council members A.Forsman, Kess, Debeltz, Omerza, Callen, D.Forsman and Mayor Novak

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Debeltz/D. Forsman moved to approve minutes from the August 7, 2018 Regular Council Meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously**

3. ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO AGENDA

A. Addition 7. A. Request to Appear: Angela Campbell

B. Addition 8. E. Planning and Zoning

C. Addition 8. F Budget Minutes

D. Addition 9. iii. 2 Gringo's Store Front Loan

E. Addition 11. C. Community Economic Development Joint Powers Invoice for 2018 \$400.00

F. Addition 13.C Resolution 2018-027 Authorizing the City of Ely to make application to and accept funds from IRRRB FY19 Commercial Redevelopment Program for removal of modular housing units at Vermilion Community College

G. Addition 13. D Resolution 2018-028 Requesting MNDOT authorization to install and maintain streetscaping elements in the 169 Right of Way

H. Omission E ii Community Center Purchase

**Items A-H added and omitted without objection**

4. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Ely Jaycees Fireworks Donation \$5,015.58 was presented to the City of Ely.

**Debeltz/D. Forsman moved to write a Thank you to Ely Jaycee's for their hard work collecting fireworks donations. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**B. Mayor Novak suggested that council hold a Study Session in the fall to continue on Tourism. Debeltz/Omerza moved to hold a study session on Tourism. Motion failed due to lack of support. Mayor will schedule a follow up at a later date.**

C. Mayor Novak also stated that those with difficulties in Ely with child care to get their concerns to him through City Hall.

5. 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 the 2018 League of Minnesota Cities Regional Meetings.**

**Debeltz/D. Forsman moved to approve Consent Agenda items A&B. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6. REQUESTS TO APPEAR

A. Angela Campbell along with Andrea Zup of Zup'North Realty presented an offer to the Council to purchase Community Center. Angela shared her interest and vision in the Community Center with the Council. Council members asked that Angela come up with a business plan and work with broker Steve Bragg for her plans and present them by the Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Council meeting.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Standing/Special  
Projects Committee

**D.Forsman/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from the Projects Committee that the Ely City Council or Planning and Zoning hold a public hearing to consider the vacation of Pattison Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue as requested by Mike Loe. Motion Carried Unanimously**

Matter of Information – Current list for 2019 includes Pattison- Central to 3<sup>rd</sup> E, West Chapman- 1st Ave W to water tower, and West Camp from 3<sup>rd</sup> W. to Central. Harold also added the blocks of 2<sup>nd</sup> W and 3<sup>rd</sup> W from Camp to Sheridan. Harold suggested that this maybe too much for 2019 and further prioritization is needed. JPJ will develop updated cost estimates to further define the plan.

**D. Forsman/Omerza moved to approve the recommendation from the Projects committee that a convex mirror be purchased and installed on the blind corner on Klondike Dr Motion Carried Unanimously**

Planning and Zoning

**Callen/Omerza moved to approve the recommendation from Planning and Zoning that the Community Center be re-zoned from a P-2 District to a RT District. Motion Carried Unanimously**

Budget Committee

**A.Forsman/Omerza moved to approve the recommendation from the Budget Committee that the Council approve a maximum levy increase in 2019 for \$52,400. Motion Carried Unanimously**

**A.Forsman/Omerza moved to approve the recommendation from the Budget Committee to approve the purchase of radar for the Police Department from the drug and alcohol forfeiture fund. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A. Clerk-Treasurer

- i. Cemetery Kiosk and Skate Park – No bids received

B. Fire Chief

C. Library Director- Librarian Heinrich gave a brief update on the upcoming events at the Library which can be found on the Library website.

D. Police Chief

E. City Attorney

- i. **Debeltz/Omerza moved to schedule a public hearing on Sept. 4, 2018 at 5:00pm for public notice and comment regarding the Ely Bowling Alley's proposed three day liquor license suspension for lapsed insurance. Motion Carried Unanimously**

- ii. Community Center Purchase Agreement (Closed Session) Omitted

- iii. **A. Forsman/Kess moved to approve the proposed amendment of the mortgage and note regarding the Ely Bowling Alley on the condition that the borrower pay all interest and fees accrued on or before August 31, 2018 and making all future payments timely. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

F. City Engineer

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Correspondence from the Washington Elementary PTO-Matter of Information
- B. Correspondence from Cynthia Bauerly Commissioner Department of Revenue-Matter of Information
- C. Correspondence from the Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training-Matter of Information
- D. Correspondence from University Minnesota School of Dentistry-Matter of Information

9. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

- A. **City and EUC claims for August 21, 2018 for \$261,886.39**
- B. **Partial Pay Estimate No. 2 for the Rural Living Environment Utility Extension project for \$28,545.03 to Low Impact Excavators Inc.**
- C. **Community and Economic Development Joint Powers Invoice for \$400.00**

**Debeltz/D.Forman moved to approve Claims for Payment A, B, and C. Motion Carried Unanimously**

10. OLD BUSINESS:

**Omerza/Kess moved to approve Northern Grounds Off Sale License Liquor License pending proper paper work. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

11. NEW BUSINESS:

**A. Omerza/Debeltz moved to approve Resolution 2018-025 Resolution authorizing City of Ely to make application to and accept funds from the IRRRB FY19 Regional Trails Grant Program – for the Hidden Valley Mountain Bike Trails Roll Called: A.Forsman-Yes, Kess-Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Omerza-Yes, Callen- Yes, D.Forsman-Yes, and Mayor Novak-Yes Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**B. Debeltz/Omerza moved to approve Resolution 2018-026 Resolution Authorizing City of Ely to make application to and accept funds from the IRRRB FY19 Regional Trails Grant Program – for the Prospectors Loop Roll Called: A Forsman-Yes, Kess-Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Callen-yes, D.Forsman-Yes, and Mayor Novak-yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**C. Debeltz/Forsman moved to approve Resolution 2018-027 authorizing the City of Ely to make application to and accept funds from the IRRRB FY19 Commercial Redevelopment Program for removal of modular housing units at Vermilion Community College Roll Called: A. Forsman-Yes, Kess-Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Omerza-Yes, Callen-Yes, D.Forsman-Yes, and Mayor Novak-Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously**

**D. Omerza/Debeltz moved to approve Resolution 2018-028 Requesting MNDOT Authorization to install and maintain streetscaping elements in the 169 Right of Way Roll Called: A. Forsman-Yes, Kess-Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Omerza-Yes, Callen-Yes, D. Forsman-Yes, and Mayor Novak-Yes Motion Carried Unanimously.**

12. OPEN FORUM

13. ADJOURN:

Mayor Novak adjourned the meeting at 6:36pm without objection

Katie Richards  
Account Clerk