

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, February 6, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Robby Robinson and Council Members Bill Duncan, Jay Sjoblom, Morris Mattson, Rodney Holst, LeRoy McCusker, and Merlyce Johnson. Also present were Lanell Endres, Interim City Administrator; Brenda Voshalike, Ambulance Director; and Greg Anderson, City Engineer.

Call to Order Mayor Robinson called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Robinson led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Amended Agenda Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the Amended Agenda as submitted. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.

Public Input No one came forward to speak for public input.

Public Hearings:
Resolution 2057:
Certifying Unpaid
Utility Charges to be
Collected with Taxes

Interim Administrator Endres reviewed the process for certifying unpaid utility charges to be collected with taxes, which occurs on a quarterly basis. Council Member McCusker inquired about other approaches. Ms. Endres replied that residents are provided an opportunity to resolve the unpaid charges prior to them being submitted to the County. She stated the City attempts to work with residents who are making payments.

Mayor Robinson opened the public hearing to consider certifying unpaid utility charges as assessments. There being no one present that wished to speak with regard to the proposed assessments, the hearing was duly closed. Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve Resolution 2057. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.

Consent Agenda

- A. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending December 31, 2013
- B. Just and Correct Claims – Accounting Period Ending January 31, 2014
- C. Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2014, City Council Meeting
- D. Donate Used Equipment to Randolph-Hampton Fire District
- E. Resolution 2058, Regarding Title Registration for Carolee Stock

Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.

City Council
Administrator
Position/Offer

Interim Administrator Endres reported on the Special Meeting that took place just prior to the regular Council Meeting. She stated the meeting provided an informal opportunity for the City Council to meet Ron Johnson, the candidate chosen to fill the City Administrator position, as recommended by the Personnel Committee. Council Member Johnson moved, seconded by Council Member Duncan to approve the hiring of Ron Johnson as City Administrator. All members present voted aye. The motion was declared passed.

Land Use Incentive
Courses

Interim Administrator Endres reviewed the Land Use Incentive online course offered by the League of Minnesota Cities. In order to qualify for a lower deductible on land use claims, at least a quorum of City Council Members needed to complete this course. At this point only three City Council Members have participated. Council Members Sjoblom and Mattson volunteered to complete the Land Use Incentive course.

July 1st Meeting at
Cannon Valley Fair

Mayor Robinson reported on the Council Meeting that occurred during last year's Cannon Valley Fair. Council Member Duncan spoke in support of holding this meeting at the fairgrounds again in 2014. Interim Administrator Endres added that the meeting would be held on entry day, when there was no gate admission. The meeting start time would be determined.

Staff Reports

There were no staff reports.

Mayor and Council
Reports

Council Member Duncan reported on progress toward the selection of an Assistant Street Supervisor. He stated two interviews were completed and that a name would be brought forward at the next meeting for Council consideration.

Council Member McCusker commented on a recent police report published in the *Cannon Falls Beacon*, noting the number of calls and an increased presence at the schools. Council Member McCusker recommended adequate City Staff compensation during the transition to a new City Administrator.

The Mayor and Council Members welcomed Ron Johnson.

Mayor Robinson reported that he will be providing a State of the City address on Thursday, February 13, during the Chamber Breakfast.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 18th day of February, 2014.

Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lanell Endres, Interim City Administrator