

BABBITT CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION  
AND REGULAR MEETING  
July 6, 2011

The Study Session of the Babbitt City Council was called to order this date at 5 p.m. by Mayor Anderson.

Present for roll call were Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer Klegstad. None were absent.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss an Economic Development Coordinator job description.

After discussion, it was agreed to make two changes to the proposed job description: Change the lifting requirements to 25 pounds vs. 10 pounds, and remove the color vision clause, before forwarding to Attorney Brunfelt for review.

The Study Session was recessed at 5:30 p.m.

The Regular meeting of the Babbitt City Council was called to order this date at 6 p.m. by Mayor Anderson.

Present for roll call were Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson. None were absent. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Klegstad and City Attorney Brunfelt.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize the following additions to the agenda:

- a) Vermilion Sanitation tipping fee bill
- b) Pier update and expenses as requested by Recreation Coordinator Joe Scherer

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Marinaro, to accept the consent agenda:

- a) Approve minutes of Regular meeting of June 20, 2011
- b) Approve all bills and payrolls as audited by the Audit Committee with the exception of Vermilion Trail Sanitation
- c) Overtime report
- d) Correspondence: Lake Communications

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Lassi, Marinaro, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Lassi, to approve the tipping bills from Vermilion Sanitation.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilor Marinaro

Motion declared carried.

Attorney Brunfelt will provide documents for the fire equipment lease at the next meeting, along with the Littler (K & M) agreement. Brunfelt also replied to Councilor Lassi's question that the Planning Commission will need to hold a public hearing regarding zoning language changes. City staff was asked to send the EDA job description to Brunfelt for review.

There were no responses to the 2011 Commissions and Board vacancies so advertisement for the positions will be on hold until the 2012 vacancies are listed.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to pay the travel expense bill of \$51.17 to Rebecca Chase for an EMS Conference, not to set a precedent, and to renotify the existing departments of the travel expense policy.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, and Lassi

Nays: Mayor Anderson

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Marinaro and Administrative Assistant Schlueter will receive training for the Cemetery Information Management System (CIMS) program on Friday, July 8, 2011, at 8 a.m.

After discussion with Recreation Coordinator Scherer, it was moved by Marinaro, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize the purchase of new floats from Floe International for the fishing pier.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

Scherer also updated the Council on the power issue at the Arena.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-05  
STATE AID FOR LOCAL TRANSPORTION  
APPROVING COUNTY PROJECT WITHIN MUNICIPAL CORPORATE LIMITS**

**WHEREAS**, plans for Project No. 069-670-006 showing proposed alignment, profiles grades and cross-sections for the construction, reconstruction or Improvement of County State-Aid Highway No. CSAH 70 (old County Road 623) within the limits of the City as a State Aid Project have been prepared and presented to the City of Babbitt.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That said plans be in all things approved.

Dated this sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of July, 2011

**CERTIFICATION**

**State of Minnesota  
County of St. Louis  
City of Babbitt**

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick to authorize the resolution as presented:

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution presented to and adopted by the City Council of Babbitt at a meeting therefore held in the City of Babbitt, Minnesota on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of July, 2011, as disclosed by the records of said City in my possession.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-06**  
**AUTHORIZING NEW MEMBER IN REGIONAL SAFETY GROUP**

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59 authorizes governmental units by agreement of their governing bodies to jointly or cooperatively exercise any power common to them; and

**WHEREAS**, the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust has created the Regional Safety Group Initiative to offer training to cities/entities who form regional safety groups;  
And

**WHEREAS**, the Babbitt City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Babbitt to join the Regional Safety Group (the "RSG") previously formed by an agreement of other cities/entities (the "Establishing Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Establishing Agreement allows other cities/entities to become members of the RSG upon adoption of a resolution agreeing to all terms of the Establishing Agreement,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City of Babbitt, Minnesota,

1. Authorizes the Mayor of the City of Babbitt and the Clerk-Treasurer to sign this resolution evidencing the City of Babbitt's intent to become a member of the RSG; and
2. The City of Babbitt agrees to be bound by all the terms of the Establishing Agreement.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, it was moved by Fitzpatrick, supported by Marinaro, the City of Babbitt, by action of its governing body, caused this Resolution to be approved on the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of July, 2011.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

The Council received information about the IRR Temporary Suspension of State Contract Performance.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick, to pay the 2012 Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities bill of \$2,848.00.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to hire Monica Hendrickson on the Ambulance Department as requested from Mike Rhein pending her passing the physical.

Motion declared carried.

Rhein stated the new Ambulance rig should be here in August and there are not any offers on the old Ambulance at this time.

The fascia on the north wing of the Municipal Center needs to be painted and T-1-11 boards should be used to match the other side of the building to cover up the broken windows. Klegstad will ask Joe Scherer and Rich Posey if they can do that type of work, if not, advertise for bids on the project.

As information, Twin Metals Open House will be held Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7 p.m. at their new office at 400 Miner's Drive East, Ely, MN. Invitations are forthcoming and the Open House will be posted as a Council meeting to allow available Councilors to attend.

Jim Johnson of S.E.H. reported that the work crew will complete the sanitary sewer replacement on Evergreen Lane next week.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cathy A. Klegstad, Clerk-Treasurer

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Wendy F. Schlueter, Minute Recorder

Attest:

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Glenn A. Anderson, Mayor