

**THE MINUTES OF THE HIBBING CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 19, 2023**

**TIME AND PLACE:** A Hibbing City Council Workshop Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 in the City Hall Council Chamber

**CALL TO ORDER:** Acting Mayor Justin Fosso called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Present at roll call Acting Mayor Justin Fosso, Councilor James Bayliss, Councilor Jay Hildenbrand, Councilor Jennifer Hoffman Saccoman, Councilor John Schweiberger and Councilor Chris Whitney. Also present were City Administrator Greg Pruszinske, City Clerk/Deputy Administrator Candie Seppala, Treasurer/Finance Director Sheena Mulner, City Attorney Andy Borland, City Engineer Jesse Story and Chief of Police Steve Estey. Mayor Pete Hyduke was absent.

**DISCUSSIONS TO INCLUDE:**

**Waste Management**

DISCUSSION: Councilor Chris Whitney explained that the last couple months he has been working on bringing curbside recycling to the City of Hibbing; Waste Management is one of the companies he has been working with, and they are present to speak to the City Council. Representatives from Waste Management gave a short presentation about their services and what that would like for the City of Hibbing. There was an in depth discussion between the Councilors, Staff and Representatives from Waste Management regarding curbside recycling.

**Policy for Boards/Commissions Seats**

DISCUSSION: Community Development Director Betsy Olivanti explained that there has been discussions amongst the HEDA Board on the requirements to be seated on a City Board or Commission. Community Development Director Olivanti stated that HEDA Board Members would like the policy to be the same for all the City Boards and Commissions. There was a discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding changing the policy.

**TIF #8 Return Funds:**

DISCUSSION: Community Development Director Olivanti explained that at the end of 2022 TIF District #8 that included the Androy and the parking lot across the street was de-certified; it had been in place for about 30 years. Treasurer/Finance Director Sheena Mulner spoke about the reporting process she has been working on and the redistribution of the funds to the School District, the County and the City. Community Development Director Olivanti explained that when the funds are given back to the City, they will go into the General

Fund; she is asking if the City Council will be willing to transfer those funds to HEDA, once the City receives them.

**Other Additional Issues/Concerns for discussion**

- **Strategic Planning**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Greg Pruszinske reminded Councilors about the upcoming Strategic Planning Session on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

- **The Do You**

DISCUSSION: City Clerk/Deputy Administrator Candie Seppala explained that the City received a request from The Do You: they would like to have a Burlesque Show, per the City Ordinance they cannot have a Burlesque Show. City Clerk/Deputy Administrator Seppala stated she was asking the Council if they wanted to entertain looking at the Ordinance.

- **Highland Drive Development Update**

DISCUSSION: Councilor Bayliss asked if there is any update on the Highland Drive Development project. Community Development Director Olivanti gave a brief update on the status of the project.

- **Snow Removal**

DISCUSSION: Councilor Bayliss spoke about the timing of snow removal around the high school; it should not be during the morning time when kids and busses etc. are trying to maneuver around the school. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding snow removal.

- **Transit Update**

DISCUSSION: Treasurer/Finance Director Mulner gave a brief status update on Hibbing Area Transit.


**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Hyduke adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

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Pete Hyduke, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Candie Seppala, City Clerk/Deputy Administrator