

THE MINUTES OF THE HIBBING CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
Wednesday, April 5, 2023

TIME AND PLACE: A Hibbing City Council Workshop Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 in the City Hall Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pete Hyduke called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

DISCUSSIONS TO INCLUDE:

ICS Hibbing City and Community Listening Session Results Presentation

DISCUSSION: Natalie Hoff gave a short presentation regarding the City and Community Listening Sessions. There was some discussion between Ms. Hoff, Councilors and Staff.

Discussion on Condition of City Hall

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Greg Pruszinske spoke about some of the safety concerns involving the City Hall Building and ways to remedy those issues. There was discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding what this process could entail.

Sirens Update:

DISCUSSION: Fire Chief Erik Jankila explained that he has reached out to the two major vendors they have been in contact with and received updated quotes, and he needs further direction from the Council on what they are thinking regarding this project. There was discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding this project.

Transit Update:

DISCUSSION: Treasurer/Finance Director Sheena Mulner gave a brief update on the Hibbing Area Transit. Treasurer/Finance Director Mulner explained that she is looking for some discussion and direction from the Council moving forward. There was discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding the different transit options.

Update on the Rental Licensing Ordinance and Housing Taskforce Project Work

DISCUSSION: Community Development Director Betsy Olivanti gave a brief update on the Rental Licensing Ordinance and Housing Taskforce Project Work. There was some discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding this.

Eye Clinic North

DISCUSSION: Community Development Director Olivanti spoke briefly about a second letter that she received from Eye Clinic North. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding the letter.

First Quarter Review

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Greg Pruszinske explained that he felt the quarterly review process last year went well, and if the Council would like to continue that, he would support continuing the quarterly review process. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding when to schedule the review.

ATV Club Sponsor

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske spoke about becoming the Sponsor for a local ATV Club. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding becoming the Sponsor.

St. Louis County Agreements

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske explained that he is looking for feedback from the Council regarding the email he sent that included two agreements with St. Louis County. City Administrator Pruszinske stated one agreement was for use of space and the other was for administrative support services. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding the agreements.

Strategic Planning

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske spoke briefly about the upcoming Strategic Planning Session on April 26th.

Other Additional Issues/Concerns for discussion

- **Safety Training**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske explained that they are in negotiations with a third party to provide safety training to City employees.

- **Animal Shelter Services**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske explained that he feels this should go out for proposals; he is looking for feedback from the Council. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding this.

- **Recycling**

DISCUSSION: Councilor Whitney stated that he would like to get a presentation from Waste Management on the next City Council Workshop Agenda.


- **Insurance**

DISCUSSION: Treasurer/Finance Director Sheena Mulner spoke briefly about the City's Health and Property Casualty Insurances and went over a handout that was in the Councilors packets. There was a brief discussion between the Councilors and Staff regarding this.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Hyduke adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

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Pete Hyduke, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Candie Seppala, City Clerk/Deputy Administrator