

CITY OF GRAND MARAIS
MINUTES
June 30, 2010

Mayor Hakes called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Members present: Kay Costello, Sue Hakes, William Lenz, Tim Kennedy and Jan Sivertson

Members absent: None

Staff present: Mike Roth, Kim Dunsmoor and Chris Hood by telephone

Mayor Hakes invited the public to speak during a period of open forum. Open Forum is limited to one half-hour. No person may speak more than 5 minutes or more than once.

Al Tanzar, Grand Marais Lions, acquired 10 recycling bins that they would like to put next to city garbage cans starting now until Labor Day. The Lion's Club will service, empty and repair the bins.

Motion by Hakes, seconded by Kennedy to accept the Grand Marais Lion's Club offer to place, service, empty and repair 10 recycling bins in downtown Grand Marais through Labor Day. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Costello, seconded by Lenz to approve the Agenda; June 9, 2010, Worksession Minutes; June 9, 2010, Minutes; Payment of Bills; and the Son's of the American Legion Post 413 Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo August 5 – 8th, 2010. Approved unanimously.

Tanya Eliassen, North Shore Federal Credit Union, requests approval of their street and sidewalk permit to conduct a week long Member Appreciation BBQ and activities.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Costello to approve the North Shore Federal Credit Union Street and Sidewalk Permit beginning July 21, 2010. Approved unanimously.

Scott Puch and Ben Silence, American Legion Post #413, requesting approval of a Temporary On-Sale Liquor License August 5-8, 2010. The Beer Garden will have the same boundaries as last year with people checking ID's and issuing wrist bands.

Motion by Lenz, seconded by Kennedy to approve the American Legion Post #413 Temporary On-Sale Liquor License August 5 – 8, 2010. Approved unanimously.

J.D. Burton, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities, updated the council on the 2010 Legislative Session, how it affected cities and how the efforts of the Coalition affected proposed legislation. The state deficit, LGA cuts, personal services taxes, governor's race candidates, economic development, transportation, and annexation policy was discussed. The Coalition urges cities to stay active in their membership, in the media, and to talk to candidates when they visit your city.

The council reviewed the Superior National County Board Discussion. The Golf Course Committee group presentation was a concept and now the group is working on a more concrete business plan. The council set a worksession with their EDA representatives for July 6, 2010, at noon to discuss the city's priorities for the EDA.

The Community Center Committee will meet tomorrow. The county is not close to making a decision on an architect. The council will designate Hakes as a point person for this issue.

Councilor Sivertson's Report:

- 1) The North Shore Management Board had applied for an ecological study grant, but did not get it. The board may create a new proposal that would be more in line with NSMB policies. The board would like to know if their work is valued by government boards.

City Administrator Roth's Report:

- 1) The speed sign is here and should be installed next week.
- 2) The orange flags for pedestrian crossings have been ordered.
- 3) It is time to ask for propane bids. We have three companies that deliver in our area.

Mayor Hakes' Report:

- 1) Sent information to Bruce Leng regarding the Storefront Loan Program. The IRR Demolition Program dollars were decreased and more money was given to affordable housing projects. IRR dollars would need to redevelop the space, not just turn it into green space.
- 2) Costello and Hakes may be attending County Board meetings, so we will need to be mindful of the Open Meeting Law.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Lenz to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.