

CITY OF GRAND MARAIS
MINUTES
March 26, 2014

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

Members present: Larry Carlson, Jan Sivertson, Bob Spry, Tim Kennedy and Bill Lenz

Members absent: None

Staff present: Kim Dunsmoor and Chris Hood

Mayor Carlson 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. No one spoke.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Lenz to approve the Agenda; March 12, 2013, Minutes; and Payment of Bills. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Spry, seconded by Lenz to approve the Cook County Curling Club Consumption and Display Permit. Approved unanimously.

The fireworks displays were discussed. The Lion's Club provides the insurance for the fireworks displays through Lion's International. City Attorney Hood suggested the City have a license/permit agreement with Lion's Club for the use of City property.

Motion by Carlson, seconded by Kennedy to approve the J&M Display Agreement contingent upon affirmation of the insurance certificate naming the City as additional insured and adding Saturday August 2nd to the date for the fireworks displays. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Lenz to support the Emergency Services Conference with \$200 as it provides training for firefighters, first responders and employees. Approved unanimously.

Councilor Lenz' Report:

- 1) The Park has received comments regarding the boat launch public access project. Most comments have been positive.
 - a. Spry had concerns about being able to shoot fireworks from that area: requirement include gravel and 400 feet from anything else.
 - b. Councilors wish to see all the comments from the public for this project.

Mayor Carlson's Report:

- 1) Applications were received for the Library Director position. Four candidates were offered interviews, one candidate declined the interview. Interviews will be held April 4th and 7th.

Councilor Sivertson's Report:

- 1) The Library received a Legacy Grant for \$10,000 to put art in the Library.

Councilor Kennedy's Report:

- 1) The Council and PUC will have a Joint Meeting on April 9th to hear the business plan for the Biomass District Heating Project. Contracts have been sent to customers and the committee will meet with customers during the week of April 22nd. It seems less likely that we will be included in any bonding this year.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Mayor, Laurence Carlson

ATTEST:

City Administrator, Michael J. Roth