

***CITY OF GRAND MARAIS***  
***MINUTES***  
***August 27, 2014***

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

Members present: Larry Carlson, Jan Sivertson, Tim Kennedy, Bob Spry and Bill Lenz  
Members absent: None  
Staff present: Mike Roth, Kim Dunsmoor and Robert Scott

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.

Patsy Ingebrigtsen, Librarian, discussed staffing levels at the library and items that have been waiting to be catalogued. City Administrator Roth will discuss this with the Library Director.

Judy Siegle made a request to have the City Council make a proclamation declaring International Peace Day in Grand Marais on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The request will be considered at a future meeting.

**Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Spry to approve the Agenda; August 13, 2014, Minutes; and Payment of Bills including one additional bill. Approved unanimously.**

**Motion by Lenz, seconded by Carlson to discharge probational seasonal employee Karl Olson. Approved unanimously.**

Council discussed desired budget changes increasing part-time salary at park, increasing park revenues and council priorities to leave preliminary budget numbers at 1.9% and to continue to discuss reducing the levy prior to the final levy. A motion made by Councilor Kennedy to amend the budget was withdrawn.

**Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Spry to renew the MMUA Safety Consultant Contract for 2015. Approved unanimously.**

Councilor Kennedy Report:

- 1) Received a complaint about wood smoke in town. The City does not have any regulations about smoke except opacity.
- 2) CCLEP is requesting \$3,000 from the City to pursue rebidding the excavation portion of the District Heating and having a consultant look for other funding sources for the District Heating Project in order to be able to get in line for state bonding in 2015. Council requested that they bring to a future meeting with more detail behind the request.

The Joint City/County/School/Tribe meeting will be hosted by the City tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. Active Living may give a brief update of their project.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

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Mayor, Laurence Carlson

ATTEST:

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City Administrator, Michael J. Roth