

**CITY OF HERMANTOWN**

**City Council Meeting**

Monday, July 15, 2024

6:30 PM Central

**MEETING CONDUCTED IN PERSON & VIA ZOOM**

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Present

Councilor John Geissler: Present

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Present

Councilor Ellie Jones: Present

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Present

**CITY STAFF:**

John Mulder, City Administrator; Alissa Wentzlaff, City Clerk; Eric Johnson; Community Development Director; Joe Wicklund, Assistant City Administrator; Paul Senst, Public Works Director; Brandon Holmes, Building Official; Jim Crace, Director of Public Safety; Trish Crego, Utility & Infrastructure Director; David Bolf, City Engineer; Gunnar Johnson, City Attorney

**VISITORS: 2**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
5. **PUBLIC HEARING**
6. **COMMUNICATIONS**
  - A. Correspondence 24-83 through 24-85 placed on file
7. **PRESENTATIONS**
  - A. **Human Resources Consultant Update**  
John Mulder, City Administrator  
(Pre-Agenda Only)
8. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Tony Morino of 3760 Johnson Rd spoke to the Council regarding the culvert and

ditching along Johnson Rd. He requested that if the City is unable to obtain a contractor to complete the work by July 19<sup>th</sup>, that he be allowed to complete the work himself.

9. **MOTIONS**

10. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **Minutes** - Approval or correction of July 1, 2024 City Council Continuation Minutes

B. **Accounts Payable** - Approve general city warrants from July 1, 2024 through Month July 15, 2024 in the amount of \$1,817,946.87

Motion to the approve the Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Councilor Brian LeBlanc and seconded by Councilor John Geissler, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

11. **ORDINANCES**

12. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. **2024-119 Resolution Appointing Election Judges For The Statewide Primary Election Of August 13, 2024**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-119 Resolution Appointing Election Judges For The Statewide Primary Election Of August 13, 2024. This motion, made by Councilor John Geissler and seconded by Councilor Andy Hjelle, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Abstain (With Conflict)

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

**B. 2024-120 Resolution Authorizing the City of Hermantown To Sponsor the GMRPTC General Legacy Grant Funding Request Associated With The Construction Of Hermantown Community Connector Trail From Stebner Road To Ugstad Road Trail Segments**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-120 Resolution Authorizing the City of Hermantown To Sponsor the GMRPTC General Legacy Grant Funding Request Associated With The Construction Of Hermantown Community Connector Trail From Stebner Road To Ugstad Road Trail Segments. This motion, made by Councilor Brian LeBlanc and seconded by Councilor Ellie Jones, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

**C. 2024-121 Resolution Awarding Contract For A New John Deere 1600 Wide Area Mower To Midwest Machinery, Co. In The Amount Of \$63,500.00 Plus Applicable Taxes And Fees**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-121 Resolution Awarding Contract For A New John Deere 1600 Wide Area Mower To Midwest Machinery, Co. In The Amount Of \$63,500.00 Plus Applicable Taxes And Fees. This motion, made by Councilor Andy Hjelle and seconded by Councilor John Geissler, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

D. **2024-122 Resolution Approving Change Order Number 1 For Road Improvement District 541 To Northland Constructors In The Amount Of \$48,109.37**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-122 Resolution Approving Change Order Number 1 For Road Improvement District 541 To Northland Constructors In The Amount Of \$48,109.37. This motion, made by Councilor John Geissler and seconded by Councilor Ellie Jones, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

E. **2024-123 Resolution Approving Pay Request Number 2 For Fichtner Park Improvements To Kaski Inc In The Amount Of \$429,837.00**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-123 Resolution Approving Pay Request Number 2 For Fichtner Park Improvements To Kaski Inc In The Amount Of \$429,837.00. This motion, made by Councilor Andy Hjelle and seconded by Councilor Brian LeBlanc, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

F. **2024-124 Resolution Approving Implementation Plan For Placing The City Administrator On The Newly Adopted 2024 Compensation Plan**

*(motion, roll call)*

Motion to approve 2024-124 Resolution Approving Implementation Plan For Placing The City Administrator On The Newly Adopted 2024 Compensation Plan. This motion, made by Councilor John Geissler and seconded by Councilor Andy Hjelle, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Nay

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 1

13. **CLOSED SESSION**

14. **RECESS**

Motion to recess at 6:48 p.m. This motion, made by Councilor Brian LeBlanc and seconded by Councilor Ellie Jones, Carried.

Councilor Andy Hjelle: Yea

Councilor Brian LeBlanc: Yea

Councilor Ellie Jones: Yea

Councilor John Geissler: Yea

Mayor Wayne Boucher: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

ATTEST:

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Mayor

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City Clerk