

THE MINUTES OF THE HIBBING CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
Wednesday May 1, 2024

TIME AND PLACE: A Hibbing City Council Workshop Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 in the City Hall Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pete Hyduke called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

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

DISCUSSIONS TO INCLUDE:

Mine View Water Service

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Greg Pruszinske and City Engineer Jesse Story spoke about the discussions the internal team has been having regarding this. Dean Helstrom with Bolton & Menk spoke to the Council about the options to get water and sewer to the Mine View permanently. Luke Peterson from HPU spoke briefly to the Council about HPU's involvement with the project. There was a lengthy discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding Mine View Water Service.

Carey Lake Motor Limit

DISCUSSION: City Services Director Nick Arola spoke to the Council about the letter received from Barrett Ziemer, Executive Director of the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport. City Services Director Arola also wanted to discuss the posted motor limit and the potential need to adjust the limit. There was a brief discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Memorial Building Concessions Contract

DISCUSSION: City Services Director Arola explained to the Council about Mr. Sullivan wanting to renew the 4th year of the concessions contract. City Services Director Arola gave the Council a brief update on the previous two years of concessions contract with Mr. Sullivan. There was a discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Stage Trailer Purchase

DISCUSSION: City Services Director Arola spoke about the condition of the City's current Stage Trailer; he spoke about the funding the City has received and other possible funding

sources to help fund a new Stage Trailer purchase. There was a brief discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Project Greenwood

DISCUSSION: Community Development Director Betsy Olivanti spoke about Project Greenwood. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Hibbing Public Transit Update

DISCUSSION: Treasurer-Finance Director Sheena Mulner and City Administrator Pruszinske spoke about Hibbing Public Transit; they have been working on getting the numbers together on what it would look like to run the service in-house. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Hibbing Taxi

DISCUSSION: Building Official/Zoning Administrator Pat Green spoke to the Council about Hibbing Taxi; he explained that Hibbing Taxi was in their current location before Stuntz was annexed by the City of Hibbing. Building Official/Zoning Administrator Green stated that currently taxi licenses are being given out to taxi businesses in Residential Zoning Districts. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Shipping Containers

DISCUSSION: Building Official/Zoning Administrator Green spoke to the Council about Shipping containers; he explained that the Building & Housing/Planning & Zoning Department often gets questions regarding shipping containers. Building Official/Zoning Administrator Green stated that when residents ask they are told shipping containers are not a permitted use in the City of Hibbing; there are a few commercial businesses that have always used them for storage. Building Official/Zoning Administrator Green explained that more rural residents and industrial businesses are calling and want to use the shipping containers; there is no ordinance on shipping containers, and they are not listed in any of the Zoning Districts. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

Other Additional Issues/Concerns for discussion:

- **City Council Workshop May 8th**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske stated there is a City Council Workshop May 8th at 5pm to workshop the architectural services; he asked if there should be a City Council Meeting to go along with the workshop. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

- **2025 Budget**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Pruszinske spoke briefly about the 2025 Budget.

- **Highschool Golf Scramble**

DISCUSSION: City Clerk-Deputy Administrator Seppala spoke about a letter she received regarding the Highschool Golf Scramble on June 10th; if anyone is interested let her know and she will put a group together.

- **Animal Shelter**

DISCUSSION: City Clerk-Deputy Administrator Seppala and City Administrator Pruszinske gave an update on the Animal Shelter.

- **Agenda Items**

DISCUSSION: There was a brief discussion regarding two items Community Development Director Betsy Olivanti had on the City Council Agenda; City Clerk-Deputy Administrator Seppala will review the recording from the meeting and corrections will be made at the next City Council Meeting if necessary.

- **Franchise Agreement**

DISCUSSION: Councilor Bayliss asked if there has been any headway made regarding the Franchise Agreement with HPAT; he thinks this is something that should be discussed. There was some discussion between City Councilors and Staff regarding this topic.

- **Bears**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Hyduke spoke briefly about the problem with bears within the City; he spoke to the DNR and Wildlife Services.

- **Ordinances**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Hyduke stated they need to discuss some new Ordinances regarding cleaning up dog waste, feeding of geese etc.

- **Downtown Signs**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Hyduke asked about the signs downtown that were dedicated; City Engineer Jesse Story will check with Public Works Superintendent John Yuretich regarding the signs.

- **South Hughes Road**

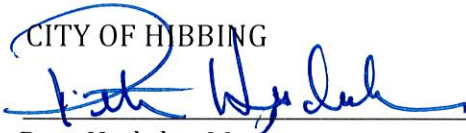
DISCUSSION: City Engineer Jesse Story stated the Chisholm-Hibbing Airport sent the City an Invoice for South Hughes Road for \$150,000.00.

- **Audit Field Work**

DISCUSSION: Treasurer-Finance Director Mulner stated that Audit Field Work is next week and they may reach out to the Mayor or Councilors.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Pete Hyduke adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST: 
Candie Seppala, City Clerk-Deputy Administrator


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Pete Hyduke, Mayor