Members Present: Dana Kass, Darla Kruser, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: David Savage, Andrew Ysker

City Staff Present: Michael Schulte, City Administrator/Clerk; Maryellen Suhrhoff, City Attorney

Others Present: Karen Stoesz

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda
Motion by Ysker, seconded by Kruser, to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

- Bills: Checks #22224 – 22280, 596E – 597E
- Payroll: Checks #64474 – 64509
- Approval of February 15 EDA Board Minutes
- Approval of February 25 Special EDA Board Minutes
- Approval of February 28 Utilities Commission Minutes
- Approval of March 4 City Council Minutes

Public
Karen Stoesz provided an update of Minnesota Highway 60. MNDOT is going to be extending the flashing traffic approaching lights from 6.5 seconds to 7.5 seconds from when traffic approaches the intersection of Highway 60 and County Road 1. Stoesz stated that MNDOT will not install J-turns as long as no fatalities occur at the intersections. Stoesz is also working on funding for an interchange.

City Attorney
City Attorney Suhrhoff discussed annexation information and shared an annexation map plan for the new wastewater ponds. Direction was given to make modifications to the strip from Castle Drive northward to the ponds. Another letter was sent to a property owner regarding the condition of the greenhouse property and a lack of response. If no correspondence occurs, a hazardous building resolution will be prepared and presented at the next council meeting.
City Administrator
A list of upcoming events was reviewed.

Water & Sewer Rate Analysis
A sewer rate analysis needs to be conducted as a Public Facilities Authority (PFA) loan application requirement. The analysis will determine if rates need to be adjusted in order to pay back the bond for the new wastewater ponds. Northland can conduct the analysis for $6,300 in which the $6,300 can be reimbursed through the PFA loan. For an additional $1,000, water rates can also be reviewed. The $1,000 for the water analysis will come from water funds. The Utilities Commission voted to recommend to the Council to approve the financial agreement with Northland Securities for both a sewer and water rate analysis. Motion by Kass, seconded by Kruser, to approve the water and sewer rate analysis for a total of $7,300. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater License Holder
David Watkins has agreed to continue to be the license holder for the water and wastewater department. Motion by Kruser, seconded by Kass, to add David Watkins as the Water/Wastewater License Holder to the 2019 Designations and Appointments list. Motion carried.

Land Negotiations
Motion by Kass, seconded by Kruser, to close the public meeting and open the closed meeting at 6:57 p.m as allowed in MN Statutes 13D.05 Subd. 3. Motion carried. Motion by Kruser, seconded by Kass, to close the closed meeting and open the public meeting at 7:17 p.m. Motion carried. Direction was given to the city administrator and the city attorney to continue land negotiations.

Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Approved April 1, 2019

ATTEST:

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Michael Schulte, Administrator/Clerk