

Regular City of Hoyt Lakes Council Meeting Minutes

City Hall Council Chambers

Monday, June 23, 2025

5:30 pm

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott at 5:30 pm.

Councilors in attendance: ☒ Grams ☒ Jarvela ☒ Eckman ☐ Mathison ☒ Mayor Scott
Absent: Mathison

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Weiberg, Directors: City Attorney Joel Lewicki and Shannon Sweeny of David Drown Associates, Inc

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Grams Supported by Jarvela to approve the consent agenda. All in favor, motion passed.

*Consent Agenda: asterisked items are routine, non-controversial, and/or have been discussed at a previous Council meeting. These items will be approved in one motion unless discussion is requested in which case the item will be considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES *

4.1 Regular City Council Meeting – May 27, 2025.

4.2 Regular City Council Meeting – June 09, 2025.

5. CORRESPONDENCE *

5.1 Fire Department Minutes March, April & May 2025

5.2 Library Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2025

5.3 2025 Water Carnival Estimated In-Kind Services Estimate

5.4 MDH Quarterly Report

6. FINANCIALS –*

a. Approval for Payment – Claims

6.1 Disbursements – \$239,323.00

6.2 Payroll - \$98,091.71

6.2.1 Payroll - \$86,391.12

6.2.2 Benefits - \$11,700.59

6.2.3 Insurance - \$658.90

7. GUESTS/CITIZEN FORUM - None

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF

City Administrator Weiberg noted that he will be attending the League of Minnesota Cities conference in Duluth June 25th – 27th. Reminded council of the celebration of the completion of the Birch Cove Renovation Project and America in Bloom's attendance.

Public Works Director Snetsinger provided an update on the road project and the completion of the new outdoor pickle ball and tennis court.

Mesabi East Youth Sports Coordinator Mark Goerdts – Not Present

City Attorney Joel Lewicki had nothing to report.

9. REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councilor Grams will also be attending the LMC conference in Duluth. Provided an update on the Chamber and discussion with the statues and ongoing discussion with the property owner. She also noted the water carnival wrist bands will be going on sale for \$10.00 early and \$20.00 at the gate and adding additional concessions up at the triple fields for water carnival.

Councilor Jarvela provided an update on the water project status in Aurora. He also updated the Council on the Stutzman property and his discussion with Sharon the owner.

Councilor Eckman discussed the summer reading program and all the fun activities they are having.

Mayor Scott discussed his upcoming speaking engagement coming up at the Birch Cove celebration. Also provided information to the Council of his conversation and recommendation with Jim Koepke regarding his proposed mountain bike path. Provided an update of the Boase School demolition project which was brought up at the public forum.

10. OLD BUSINESS - None

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Max Grey Change Order #2

Moved by Eckman; supported by Grams to approve Max Greys Change Order #2 in the amount of \$12,776.97 for concrete repairs found after the boards were removed and steel support structure for the transformer. Motion passed unanimously.

11.2 Culvert Repair Hampshire, Canterbury and Trailer Park Bid Award. These culverts were damaged during the rain event of 2024 funded which has been funded by FEMA.

Moved by Jarvela; supported by Eckman to award the culvert replacement bid to C & C Winger \$40,500.00. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

11.3 2025 Cannabinoid License Application, subject to all documents being submitted and background check cleared: The Broken Putter Lounge.

Moved by Eckman supported by Grams to approve the 2025 Cannabinoid License for The Broken Putter Lounge.

In Favor: Grams, Eckman, Scott

Opposed: Jarvela

Absent: Mathison

Motion Carried

11.4 2025 Tobacco License Application, subject to all documents being submitted and background checks cleared: The Broken Putter Lounge.

Moved by Eckman; supported by Grams to approve the 2025 Tobacco License to The Broken Putter. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

11.4.1 Moved by Eckman; supported by Grams to approve pro-rating the fee for the 2025 Cannabinoid and Tobacco license for The Broken Putter Lounge to \$62.50 each for a total of \$125.00 for 2025.

In Favor: Grams, Eckman, Scott

Abstained: Jarvela

Absent: Mathison

Motion Carried

11.5 2025 CSAH 110/CR665 Project Financing

Moved by Grams; supported by Jarvela to approve financing as proposed by David Brown Associate, Inc. in the amount of \$1,102,916.60 for the City's portion of CSAH 110/CR 665 Reconstruction Project. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

11.6 Heavy Equipment Operator Hire Recommendation

Moved by Eckman; supported by Grams to extend an offer of employment to Kevin Oman based on the recommendations of the hiring committee. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

11.7 Resignation of Blight Officer and approval of position posting

Moved by Eckman; supported by Jarvela to accept the Blight Officer's resignation. All in favor; motion carried unanimously. Moved by Grams; supported by Eckman to post and fill the Blight Officer Vacancy. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

11.8 Public Utilities Heavy Equipment Operator Retirement

Moved by Jarvela; supported by Eckman to accept the retirement notice of a Heavy Equipment Operator. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

11.9 Approval of Internal Posting for Heavy Equipment Operator Position and External Posting if no letters of interest are received.

Moved By Eckman; Supported by Jarvela for the internal posting for Heavy Equipment Operator position and external posting if no letters of interest are received. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

11.10 Max Grey Arena Pay Request #9 in the amount of \$669,820.18.

Moved by Grams; supported by Eckman to approve the Max Grey Arena Pay Request #9 in the amount of \$669,820.18. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

11.11 Council Chamber sound system discussion.

Moved by Jarvela, supported by Eckman for City Staff to investigate other audio option for the Council chambers. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

11.12 Resolution 2025-016 Authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of a \$1,100,000 General Obligation Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2025A.

Moved by Jarvela; supported by Grams for the approval of Resolution 2025-016 Authorizing the sale and delivery of a \$1,100,000.00 General Obligation Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2025A. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Grams; supported by Jarvela to adjourn the council meeting. All in favor; Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, July 14, 2025 @ 5:30 pm – Regular Meeting

Monday, July 28, 2025 @ 5:00 pm – Public Forum

Monday, July 28, 2025 @ 5:30 pm – Regular Meeting



Brennan Scott, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dean Weiberg, City Administrator