

**Minutes**  
**Regular City of Hoyt Lakes Council Meeting**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**

**Monday, August 11, 2025**  
**5:30 pm**

**1. ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Mathison

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Weiberg, City Attorney Lewicki, Jacob Crispo (Bolten and Menk), Shannon Sweeny (DDA), Directors Benda and Snetsinger

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

\*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 Public Forum Minutes – July 28, 2025

4.2 Regular Council Meeting – July 28, 2025

**5. CORRESPONDENCE \***

5.1 Golf Commission Minutes of August 01, 2025

5.2 DNR Dam Safety Permit

5.3 Energy Transition Advisory Committee – Request for Representative

5.4 LMC's Legal Response

**6. FINANCIALS –\***

a. **Approval for Payment – Claims**

6.1 Disbursements – \$1,587,563.35

6.2 Payroll - \$109,936.81

6.2.1 Payroll - \$97,294.10

6.2.2 Benefits - \$12,642.71

6.2.3 Insurance - \$49,899.46

**7. GUESTS/CITIZEN FORUM**

7.1 Jacob Crispo invited the Hoyt Lakes City Council for a site tour of the East Range Water Expansion Project. In Aurora.

**8. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

City Administrator Weiberg discussed the budget process and the need to get Special Council planning meetings scheduled.

Public Works Director Snetsinger provided an update on the county road and arena project.

Public Utilities Director Benda talked about the temporary water supply to the businesses and residence affected by the road project.

## **9. REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Councilor Grams had nothing to report to the Council.

Councilor Jarvela provided an update on the Public Safety Board meeting.

Councilor Eckman also attended the Public Safety Board meeting and National Night Out was a big success.

Councilor Mathison was absent.

Mayor Scott thanked those who participated in National Night Out.

## **10. OLD BUSINESS**

10.1 Max Grey Pay Application #10 in the amount of \$603,859.71.

**Moved by Grams; supported by Eckman for the approval of Max Grey Pay Application #10. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

10.2 Verizon Land Lease Agreement

**Moved by Grams; supported by Jarvela for the approval of the site plan for a Verizon cell tower. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

## **11. NEW BUSINESS**

11.1 Resolution 2025-020 Authorizing negotiation, execution, and delivery of Governmental Lease-Purchase of a Greensmaster 3150-Q Toro mower.

**Moved by Eckman; supported by Grams to approve Resolution 2025-020 for the government Lease-Purchase of the Greensmaster 3150-Q Toro mower. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

11.2 Upgrade of three computers still on Windows 10 quote from Vc3 – Tabled for additional information and City Administrator Weiberg will be meeting with Vc3 Thursday August 14<sup>th</sup> to review the quote.

11.3 Hiring Team Blight Officer Vacant Position Recommendations

**Moved by Eckman; Supported by Jarvela to accept the recommendations of the Hiring Committee and offer the Blight Officer position to Tomieka Defoe. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

11.4 Hiring Team Public Utilities Director Recommendation

**Moved by Jarvela; Supported by Grams to follow the Hiring Committee's recommendation with the promotion of Josh Benda to the position of Public Utilities Director. Motion Passed Unanimously.**

11.4.1 Posting of Water/Wastewater Plant Operator

**Motion by Jarvela; Supported by Eckman to post both internal and external the Water/Wastewater Plant Operator vacancy. Motion Passed Unanimously.**

11.5 Shannon Sweeny (DDA): Temporary Financing Option for the Water Treatment Project with the PFA Credit Enhancement Program and MN Rural Water Loan.

Resolution 2025-021 approving the Issuance of a General Obligation Water Revenue Note, Series 2025B covenanting and obligating the City to be bound by and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 446A.086 to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest on the note through the State of Minnesota Public Facilities Authority Credit Enhancement Program.

**Motion By Jarvela; Supported by Eckman to enter the PFA Credit Enhancement Program.  
Motion Passed Unanimously.**

11.6 SLC 95% Pay Request of Bid Amount for 110 and 665 in the Amount of \$817,738.82.

**Motion by Gram; Supported by Eckman to approve St Louis Count's 95% pay request.  
Motion Passed Unanimously.**

11.7 City Office Closed September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> for Civics (Acct. Software) Virtual Training

**Motion by Jarvela; Supported by Eckman to close the City office on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> for staff training. Motion Passed Unanimously.**

11.8 Special Budget Meeting Schedule Discussion

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion by Grams; Supported by Jarvela for Adjournment. Motion Passed Unanimously.  
Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm.**

Next Council Meetings:

Monday, August 25, 2025 @ 5:00 pm – Public Forum Meeting

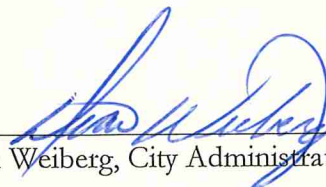
Monday, August 25, 2025 @ 5:30 pm – Regular Meeting

Monday, September 08, 2025 @ 5:30 pm – Regular Meeting



Brennan Scott, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Dean Weiberg, City Administrator