A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy and Hagglund.
Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Reagan, City Clerk/Treasurer Peltoma and City Attorney Lawrence.

Mayor Sherby led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Hagglund supported by Councilor Schiavo moved to accept the proposed agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund
Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

City Manager, Patrick Reagan presented his manager’s report.
Presentations: None

Mayor Sherby temporarily adjourned the regular meeting at 5:43 p.m. for a Public Hearing for the proposed Ordinance amendment 4.00 – B: An Ordinance to amend Section 13.4 of the City of Crystal Falls Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance Number 4, to change violations of the City’s Zoning Ordinance from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction.
Public comment: None
Councilor comment: None

Mayor Sherby reconvened regular meeting at 5:44 p.m.
Councilor Schiavo supported by Councilor Peterson moved to amend
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Ordinance 4.00 – B section 13.4 of the City of Crystal Falls Zoning Ordinance, to change violations from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction.

Ayes: Mayor Sommers, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby temporarily adjourned the regular meeting at 5:44 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing for the potential sale of City owned real property located at 317 and 321 Superior Ave.

Public comment: Daryl DeNell asked if property will be going up for sale. It was indicated that yes, the property would be opened up for bids.

Councilor comment: None

Mayor Sherby reconvened regular meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Councilor McCarthy supported by Mayor Sherby moved to request bids for City owned real property located at 317 and 321 Superior Ave. Minimum bid is be $3,200 per parcel and bids must be received by 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 11th.

Ayes: Mayor Sommers, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby temporarily adjourned the regular meeting at 5:47 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing for the consideration of a variance request from Northern interstate Bank N.A. to allow for the construction of a commercial building in the R-1 district at a height of 16 feet.
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Public Comment: Mike Ferguson, representing Northern Interstate Bank explained the need for the variance request.

Councilor Comments: Councilor Schiavo stated he did not have a problem with the variance. Councilor Hagglund verified that the business would only be in operation during the day. Councilor Schiavo asked if the height of the building is needed for the vehicle. (It was confirmed that the height needed to be the 16 feet for the vehicle the courier service would need.) Ferguson replies they have the same size garage for the Norway bank location. Mayor Sherby asked how high the side walls would be. DeNell responded that they need 15.6 feet. Mayor Sherby asked if it could be put in the corner of the parking lot by Woody’s lanes. Ferguson said that they do not own the whole parking lot. Councilor Peterson asked if the courier service was the best solution for the bank at this time. Ferguson responded that it was.

Mayor Sherby reconvened regular meeting at 5:54 p.m.

Councilor Schiavo supported by Councilor Hagglund moved to grant the construction of a commercial building in the R-1 district at a height of 16 feet.

Ayes: Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, and Hagglund.

Nays: Mayor Sherby and Councilor McCarthy

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Peterson supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to approve Resolution 17-58: Approval of the 2017-2018 City of Crystal Falls Budget and Recommended Appropriations.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and
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Hagglund.

Nays: None   Absent: None

Councilor Hagglund supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to approve Resolution 17-59: Approval of the 2017-2018 City of Crystal Falls Tax Levy.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None   Absent: None

Councilor Schiavo supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to approve Resolution 17-61: Acceptance of a proposal from Coleman Engineering to preform design services for a Runkle Lake Park project.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None   Absent: None

Councilor McCarthy supported by Councilor Hagglund moved to approve Resolution 17-62: Approval for City Manager to attend the 2017
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MML Annual Convention, September 13-15 in Holland, Michigan.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Hagglund supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to approve Resolution 17-63: Approval to renew the City’s agreement with Efficiency United to provide energy waste reduction services for 2018 and 2019 as required per Michigan Public Act 295 of 2008.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Peterson supported by Councilor Schiavo moved to approve Resolution 17-64: Approval for the purchase of 6 Amazon kindles for use by the Mayor, City Council members, and the City Attorney to conduct City business.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby supported by Councilor Peterson moved to approve Resolution 17-65: Introduction and the setting of a Public Hearing for proposed Ordinance 2.25 - Keeping of chickens within the City of Crystal Falls.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None  Absent: None
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Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby supported by Councilor Hagglund moved to approve Resolution 17-66: Introduction and the setting of a Public Hearing for proposed Ordinance amendment 2.18-A – to Adopt the International Property Maintenance Code as part of the City’s Blight Ordinance.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: NoneAbsent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Schiavo supported by Councilor Peterson moved to approve Resolution 17-67: Introduction and the setting of a Public Hearing for proposed Ordinance amendment 3.02-A – Amendments to the Parking Ordinance for the City of Crystal Falls.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: NoneAbsent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Hagglund supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to approve Resolution 17-68: Approving and granting permission to a local organization, headed by Al Anderson, to build a little league baseball field on City property.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: NoneAbsent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor McCarthy supported by Councilor Hagglund moved to temporarily close regular meeting at 6:23 p.m. to go into closed
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session pursuant to OMA Section 15.268 (c) to discuss union negotiations.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Regular meeting reconvened at 6:39 p.m.

Mayor Sherby supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to enter into a 3 year contract with the POAM members with the following conditions:

2% increase each year

Insurance cost sharing of 80/20 (pre-taxed) for all new hires as of October 1, 2017

Current employees continue with no cost sharing for insurance

40% opt out insurance for employees will calculate from the City’s portion of premium

8 hour comp time to be given on employees’ birthday annually

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to enter into a 3 year contract with the IBEW members with the following conditions:

3.8% increase each year for all IBEW employees except supervisor Dave Graff which will receive a 3.25% increase each year

Insurance cost sharing of 90/10 (pre-tax) for all current
employees
40% opt out insurance for employees will calculate from the City’s portion of premium
Insurance cost sharing of 80/20 (pre-taxed) for all new hires as of October 1, 2017
Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.
Nays: None    Absent: None
Motion carried.
Mayor Sherby supported by Councilor McCarthy moved to enter into a 3 year contract with the non-union employees with the following conditions:
2% increase each year
Insurance cost sharing of 80/20 (pre-taxed) for all new hires as of October 1, 2017
Current employees continue with no cost sharing for insurance 40% opt out insurance for employees will calculate from the City’s portion of premium
8 hour comp time to be given on employees’ birthday annually
Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund.
Nays: None    Absent: None
Motion carried.
Councilor Hagglund seconded by Councilor Schiavo moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:
1. The following reports for the month of July 2017:
   A. Regular meeting minutes from July 10, 2017.
   B. Special meeting minutes from July 14, 2017.
C. Police report, as submitted by Police Chief Tim Bean, indicating 91 complaints, of which 3 were closed by arrest, 0 parking tickets, and logging of 1,010 miles on patrol duty.

D. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.

E. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.

F. Treasurer’s Revenue Report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.


2. Payrolls and disbursements in the amount of $591,791.79 be approved, and instruct the City Clerk to draw checks on the City Treasury in payment of same.

Ayes: Mayor Sherby, Councilors Peterson, Schiavo, McCarthy, and Hagglund

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Sherby adjourned this meeting at 6:49 p.m.

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