

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS

February 12, 2024

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on February 12, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma, and City Attorney Daryl Waters.

Mayor McCarthy led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Hautala seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved to approve the agenda as proposed and excuse Councilor Cudnohufsky.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Eveyln Gathu from 705 Marquette Ave, supports the nomination of Paul Foucault to the Crystal Falls District Library Board.

City Manager Valesano presented his manager's report.

Presentations: Scott Nowack representing Coleman Engineering gave a general overview of the upcoming water project locating in the Western. Application of \$4,300,000 (this is just a water main project). Private water line needs to be funded by the City (USDA does not fund this). There should be no environmental impacts in any way to the Western.

Public Hearings:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor McCarthy closed regular meeting at 5:08 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing regarding a Notice of Intent to file application for federal assistance with Rural Development for the improvements to the water distribution system on Wagner/Fairbanks Drive,

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between E. Crystal Ave. and Grant Ave., Washington Street, M-69, Logan Street and N. 5th Street.

Public Comment: A resident asked if the lead service lines from the main to the house needed to be replaced by the owner. It was stated that only if there is known galvanized pipes and the City is responsible for the replacement.

Councilor Comment: None

Mayor McCarthy closed Public Hearing at 5:12 p.m.

Councilor Kudwa seconded by Councilor Nocerini moved to set Public Hearing date for suggested changes to Ordinance No. 2.35 To Regulate Noxious Weeds and to Provided Penalties for Violations at the next meeting date on Tuesday, March 19th at 5 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Nocerini seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved to advance the next regular meeting from March 11th to March 19th.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

City Manager Valesano updated the Council that the city is working towards an agreement with housing project developer, SC Swiderski.

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Councilor Nocerini seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved to approve Resolution 24-03: Approving the City's first quarter budget amendments.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Hautala seconded by Councilor Nocerini moved to approve Resolution 24-04: Approving the nineteenth draw payments to FA Industrial Services, Inc. (\$84,317.21), GEI Consultants of Michigan, PC (\$13,751.43) and Change Order No. 9

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Nocerini seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved to approve Resolution 24-05: Approving the appointment of Paul Foucault to the Crystal Falls District Community Library Board. This term is for 4 years.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Hautala seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved to approve Resolution 24-06: Approving the City Manager as the authorized designee to file an application for Federal Financial Assistance with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Service.

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Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Kudwa seconded by Councilor Nocerini moved to approve Resolution 24-07: Approving a MERS Health Care Savings Program participation Agreement.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Nocerini seconded by Councilor Hautala moved to approve Resolution 24-08: Approving guidelines and policy for poverty exemption.

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Hautala seconded by Councilor Nocerini moved to approve Resolution 24-09: Approving software and services for BS & A Cloud upgrade in the amount of \$32,985. (Modules - \$13,485 and upgrade implementation \$19,500)

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Councilor Nocerini seconded by Councilor Kudwa moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

- 1. The following reports for the month of January 2024:
 - A. Regular meeting from January 8, 2024
 - B. Police Department activity as submitted by Police Chief Tim Bean.
 - C. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
 - D. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
 - E. Treasurer's Revenue and Expense Report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.
 - F. Payroll and Disbursements from December 2023 as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.
 - G. Clerk/Treasurer Quarterly Investment Report

Ayes: Mayor McCarthy, Councilors Kudwa, Hautala, and Nocerini

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Pursuant to OMA 15.268 of 1976 PA 267, Mayor McCarthy closed regular meeting at 5:20 p.m. to conduct a closed session for City Manager and Clerk/Treasurer's annual review.

Mayor McCarthy opened regular meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Mayor McCarthy adjourned this meeting at 5:48 p.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____

PRESIDING CLERK _____