

**City of Red Lake Falls
City Council Meeting
May 14, 2018
Minutes**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Red Lake Falls, Red Lake County, Minnesota was duly held in the Council Chambers of said City on the 14th day of May, 2018.

Members Present: Allen Bertilrud, Justin Carriere, Kevin Brevik, Sara Kenfield

Members Absent: Cheryl Matzke, Neil Knaack

Others Present: Kathleen Schmitz, Delray Sparby, Matt Swendra, Carol Seeger, Barry Glienke, Deb Derouin

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to approve the Agenda with the addition of 6.05 – Street Improvement Options. *On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.*

Brevik moved, seconded by Carriere, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
Approval of the April 23, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes
Approval of the Bills and Disbursements
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held regarding the proposed sidewalks in the Street and Utility Improvement Project. The Planning and Zoning committee studied the plan from Bolton & Menk and suggested some changes and additions.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to accept the sidewalk recommendations from the Planning and Zoning committee with the change of “no sidewalk on State Avenue and the addition of sidewalk on the south side of the high school between Champagne and Chicago Avenues. *On vote being taken, Carriere opposed, motion passed.*

Brevik moved, seconded by Kenfield, to approve the 2018 Fee Chart as presented.
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to approve advertising the Phil Cuno Park parcels for sale knowing it is no longer needed for park purposes.
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to approve moving the rock that is no longer needed in the Phil Cuno Park to the Northside Park.
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

The council discussed the sale of the city property west of Laurence Larson. The question of this property came up because Mr. Larson had his property surveyed and some of Mr. Larson's sheds sit on city property. He would like to buy the property to the west up to the tree line. He has been mowing this property the last few years. It is approximately 75 feet wide and 340 feet deep.

Carriere moved, seconded by Brevik, to sell the city property for \$3,000 plus fees to Laurence Larson as it is land no longer needed for city purposes.

On vote being taken, Brevik, Carriere and Bertilrud opposed, motion failed.

Brevik moved, seconded by Carriere, to put the city-owned property east of the Sportsman's Park lots up for sale for public bid with a minimum bid of \$3,000.

On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Engineer Barry Glienke reported on the two project bids received last Thursday for the street and utility improvement project. Both bids were well over what we anticipated. He felt that some would-be bidders did not bid due to the time constraints of the project. He also felt the concrete prices of the bids were way out of bounds.

Brevik moved, seconded by Carriere, to reject all bids as recommended by City Engineer, Bolton and Menk. *On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.*

He would like to rebid the project extending the completion date so that would entice more bidders and hopefully bring the bids down. Extending the completion date to next year would give 6-7 months over next summer to get work done. Discussion was held on ways to reduce costs of the project, such as reducing the number of sidewalks or hauling the dirt away differently to reduce trucking costs. Also discussed were water mains that were added in project areas that didn't have mains and some areas that had dead-end mains. These are added costs. The City now needs to open the project up for new bids. The bid opening date will be Thursday, June 7, 2018 and it will go to the Council on June 11, 2018 at the regular meeting.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to approve Resolution #05-01-2018 – Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids. *For: Brevik, Carriere, Kenfield, Bertilrud. Absent: Matzke, Knaack. Against: none. Motion Unanimously Passed.*

Brevik moved, seconded by Carriere, to refuse the request to rent mall space to Kevin Nelson. *On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Bertilrud, Mayor

Kathleen Schmitz, City Administrator