

**CITY OF KETTLE RIVER  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
October 8, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Kettle River City Council was held in the meeting room of City Hall, Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

Members present: Tina Tollgaard, Kyle Riel, David Lucas, Miya Kohmetscher and Guy Collier.

Absent: None

Staff Attending: David Isaacson, Utilities Superintendent, Robert Tschida, Building Inspector and Bernadine Reed, City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer.

Others attending: John Peura.

Mayor Lucas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Kohmetscher, seconded by Tollgaard and carried unanimously to approve the following consent agenda items

- Minutes of September 10, 2019, regular council meeting;
- Claims (5781 - 5804) \$8,670.21;
- Accounts payable – \$14,295.85;
- Cash control statement, receipt and disbursement registers;
- MN Mayor Association Membership Dues - \$30.00;
- League of MN Cities Membership Dues - \$408.00.

Administrative report submitted by Bernadine Reed, City Clerk:

- Continued follow-up with Post Office on behalf of Carlton County Zoning, notification was received that Carlton County Zoning is moving forward with the Cedar Street site;
- Completed 2020 proposed budget work and proposed certification to taxes;
- Regular daily, weekly and monthly work.

Utilities Department report submitted by David Isaacson, Utilities Superintendent.

- Lead and copper testing response was received;
- Discharging of the ponds, rainfall has required an additional discharge;
- Flooding occurred within the City due to a beaver dam, the dam is on Carlton County property;
- Regular daily, weekly and monthly work;

Fire Department report submitted by Kyle Riel, Fire Chief.

- Two fire and three medical calls in September, one medical call so far in October;
- Interviews were held and a recommendation to offer membership is made by the Mayor and Fire Chief. Motion by Tollgaard, seconded by Collier and carried unanimously to offer a conditional membership to Scott Giannini and Dustin Kogler to the fire department.
- Discussion of unexcused absences, the Fire Chief will proceed per SOP guidelines;
- Recruitment is on-going;

Building Department report submitted by Robert Tschida, Building Inspector;

- An updated ordinance violation inspection sheet was distributed to the Council. Discussion followed, the Mayor and Acting Mayor will arrange a date and time to reach out to those in non-compliance;
- Discussion of fire damaged garage, the Clerk was instructed to send a letter to the owners concerning required removal;

Committees:

- The Planning and Zoning Commission is working on updating of the playground and rest area. Grant opportunities are being researched;
- Recruitment of a new member and appointment of a chairman are being worked on.

Unfinished Business:

- Acknowledgement of letter from Frank Yetka concerning Kasden property. Following discussion, the Clerk was instructed to contact Mr. Yetka to deny the request for a dumpster and to request that prior resolution be moved forward.
- Following clarification, motion by Tollgaard, seconded by Collier and carried unanimously to approve water and sewer rates effective January 1, 2020.

Correspondence:

- Acknowledgement of MN Department of Health, Lead and Copper report;
- Acknowledgement of Federal Opioid litigation notification.

New Business:

- Resolution 2019-04: Motion by Kohmetscher, seconded by Collier and carried unanimously to approve resolution 2019-04 a resolution to accept a donation from Rut Riders 4x4, Inc to the Fire Department.
- Motion by Riel, seconded by Tollgaard to “do no waive” the monetary limits on municipal tort liability.

Motion by Collier seconded by Riel and carried unanimously to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bernadine L Reed  
City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer