

**DUNDAS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, December 11, 2017  
7:00 p.m. Dundas City Hall**

Present: Mayor Glenn Switzer, Councilors John Cruz, Larry Fowler, Grant Modory, Chad Pribyl  
Staff Present: City Attorney Paula Callies, City Engineer John Powell, City Administrator/Clerk John McCarthy, Deputy Clerk Linda Ripka

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL**

Mayor Switzer called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

**TRUTH-IN-TAXATION HEARING (TNT)**

Budget Review and Discussion of 2017 Levy

McCarthy reviewed the proposed levy of \$949,434.00 and explained its impact on the budget and taxes. He stated it is an increase of 20% from current levy and explained State statutes require Cities to approve a final levy by December 28. McCarthy stated the City tax rate is projected to decrease by about 15.0% even with a levy increase. The City tax rate for 2018 will decrease from 64.1 to 53.4. He stated the total tax rate for Dundas will decrease from 1.367 to 1.284. McCarthy reviewed the taxable market value of various homes and the impact on their taxes with the proposed levy increase. He referred to a map prepared by Rice County showing projected 2018 tax changes by parcel along with a comparison sheet on the Rate for the past two years and 2018.

No public comments were received.

**PRESENTATION/PUBLIC FORUM**

Wolf Creek Motor Sports

Neal Kryzaniak of NIK Management Inc. reviewed a proposal for an automobile country club located along I-35 at the intersection of County Road #1, and the project would include garage/living condominiums, a road course type track and future commercial development. He has been working with Rice County and they support the project. He indicated the project would attract specialty businesses, hotels, restaurants and provide jobs and tax base.

Mayor and Council were receptive to have staff look further into the project and work with Rice County in any manner possible.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Modory, second by Cruz, to approve the agenda with addition under New Business of Wolf Creek Motor Sports. Motion Carried Unanimously (MCU)**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion by Modory, second by Pribyl, to approve the consent agenda as follows with removal of Special Action Claim Payment No. 8 Swemke Ims Contracting:**

**Regular Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2017;**

**Amusement Machines/Pool Tables License Renewals for 2018:**

**Lyle & Pauline's Inc d/b/a/L&M Bar and Grill: (3) Amusement Machines (2) Pool Tables;**

**Dawn's Corner Bar, Inc. d/b/a Dawn's Corner Bar: (2) Amusement Machines (2) Pool Tables;**

**Transfer from Fund 201 Lawful Gambling to Fund 101 General - \$7,125.18;**

**Transfer from Fund 101 General to Fund 425 CI Public Safety - \$21, 398.00;**

**Transfer from Unassigned General Fund 101 to Debt Service 2013A Fund 302 - \$44,322.00;**

**Expenditures - \$149,303.80. MCU**

CONSENT AGENDA (con't)

Special Action Claim: Payment No. 8 Swemke Ims Contracting

**Motion by Modory, second by Switzer, to approve payment No 8 to Swemke Ims Contracting for \$34,354.14.** Councilor Pribyl expressed concern regarding the cost overruns. City Engineer Powell explained the work, represented by the pay request, has been completed but the retainer is still being held as a punch list is being completed and certain documents are being finalized.

**Motion carried 4 to 1. Yes: Modory, Switzer, Fowler, Cruz. No: Pribyl**

OLD BUSINESS – No old business item.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2017-35 A Resolution Approving 2017 Tax Levy Collectable in 2018

**Motion by Pribyl, second by Modory, to approve Resolution 2017-35. MCU**

Resolution 2017-36 A Resolution Approving the 2018 Budget for the City of Dundas

**Motion by Cruz, second by Pribyl, to approve Resolution 2017-36. MCU**

Resolution 2017-36 A Resolution Approving the 2018 Enterprise Fund Budgets for the City of Dundas

**Motion by Modory, second by Pribyl, to approve Resolution 2017-36. MCU**

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Gambling Premises Permits for 2018

*Dundas Baseball Association at L&M Bar and Grill*

**Motion by Pribyl, second by Fowler, to approve a 2018 Gambling Premises Permit for Dundas Baseball Association at L&M Bar and Grill, 224 Railway Street North in Dundas. MCU**

*Fire Relief Association of Northfield at Dawn's Corner Bar*

**Motion by Cruz, second by Modory, to approve a 2018 Gambling Premises Permit for Fire Relief Association of Northfield at Dawn's Corner Bar, 200 Railway Street North in Dundas. MCU**

*Waterford Warriors Snowmobile Club at L&M Bar and Grill*

**Motion by Modory, second by Pribyl to approve a 2018 Gambling Premises Permit for Waterford Warriors Snowmobile Club at L&M Bar and Grill, 224 Railway Street North in Dundas. MCU**

*Waterford Warriors Snowmobile Club at Dawn's Corner Bar*

**Motion by Modory, second by Fowler, to approve a 2018 Gambling Premises Permit for Waterford Warriors at Dawn's Corner Bar at 200 Railway Street North in Dundas. MCU**

Approve Cigarette Licenses for 2018

*AJE Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Firehouse Liquor*

**Motion by Modory, second by Fowler, to approve 2018 Cigarette License for AJE Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Firehouse Liquor at Stafford Road in Dundas. MCU**

*Dawn's Corner Bar, Inc. d/b/a Dawn's Corner Bar*

**Motion by Modory, second by Fowler, to approve 2018 Cigarette License for Dawn's Corner Bar, Inc. d/b/a Dawn's Corner Bar at 200 Railway Street North in Dundas. MCU**

NEW BUSINESS

Wolf Creek Motor Sports

Switzer reviewed possible strategies could be used to move forward and suggested a committee could be formed. McCarthy indicated staff could see what entities are onboard and cooperative. City Engineer explained his firm can look into various alternatives in providing and handling the water and wastewater treatment options. He would look into immediate needs and long-range needs of the project and City.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

City Attorney – Paula Callies

Callies indicated there have been changes in legislation regarding small cell locations and suggested the City should consider ordinance changes regarding the right-a-way.

City Engineer - John Powell

Powell reported sidewalk work on Hester Street at Schilling Road has been completed. Cannon Road and Stafford Road borings were done and preliminary indication is that costs could be reduced. He reported Rice County has submitted the Co Rd 1 plan for state aid review.

City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer - John McCarthy

*Audit Services:* McCarthy reported Thomas Cummings has joined Hawkins Ash CPA.

*Consider Responses to RFP for Criminal Prosecution Services:* McCarthy reported five responses have been submitted. Staff is reviewing and will have a recommendation at the next Council meeting.

*Part-time Police Officer:* McCarthy reported Tyler Johnson began training as a part time police officer on December 4th.

*LMCIT Loss Control Visit:* McCarthy reviewed the recent visit from League’s representative and recommendations made for improvement to the Pubic Work Department.

*NAFRS Equipment Committee:* McCarthy reviewed December 4th equipment committee meeting. He reviewed the status of looking at a replacement pumper. He also he requested and received updated bond information regarding the financial impact of the decision to extend the payback period from 15 to 20 years. The increased time will cost NAFRS about one-half million dollars more in interest.

Mayor Switzer called for a recess to clear the room before conducting a closed meeting.

CLOSED MEETING AS ALLOWED BY MN STATUTE §13D.03 FOR LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGY INVOLVING LELSI LOCAL #327

Mayor Switzer closed the regular meeting at 9:13 p.m. as permitted by MN Statute Section §13D.03 to discuss the City’s labor negotiations with Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., (LELSI), Local #327.

Mayor Switzer reopened the regular Council meeting at 9:51 p.m. stating the Council held a closed meeting to discuss the City’s labor negotiations with LELSI Local #327. Present were Councilors John Cruz, Larry Fowler, Grant Modory, Chad Pribyl, Mayor Glenn Switzer; City Attorney Paula Callies and City Administrator/Clerk John McCarthy.

ADJOURN

**Motion by Cruz, second by Pribyl to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m. MCU**

Submitted by:

Attest:

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John M. McCarthy, Administrator/Clerk

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Glenn Switzer, Mayor