

May 15, 2006

**May 15  
2006  
6:30 P.M.**

A regular meeting of the City Council of International Falls, Minnesota, was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 15th day of May 2006 at the hour of 6:30 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilors Eklund, McBride, Rognerud, Torseth and Mayor Mason

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**APPROVED MINUTES OF MAY 1,  
2006 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING**

Motion by Councilor Eklund to approve minutes of the regular city council meeting of May 1, 2006. Motion seconded by Councilor McBride and carried unanimously.

**APPROVED TRANSFER OF  
\$1562.27 TO FUND 601 FROM  
SUNSET COVE**

Motion by Councilor McBride to approve transfer of \$1562.27 to Fund 601 from Sunset Cove. Motion seconded by Councilor Torseth and carried unanimously.

**APPROVED PAYMENT OF CLAIMS  
AS PRESENTED**

Motion by Councilor Rognerud to approve payment of the following claims from various funds of the city.

**CLAIMS**

Library Board		13,735.58	23525- 23546
Alex Air Apparatus Inc	Gloves	601.28	23405
American Water Works Assoc	Membership Dues	65.00	23406
Ameripride Linen & Apparel Ser	Cleaning Service	957.51	23407
Ameritas	Dental Insurance Premiums	2,418.88	23409
Aquila	Utilities	9,690.26	23410
Arason's Auto Body Shop	Unit 17 Repairs	247.50	23411
Barney's Family Restaurant	Crew Meals	44.65	23412
Ben Franklin Crafts	Framing - Fire Dept	36.20	23413
Best Rental Center	Equip Rental	244.58	23414
Bound Tree Medical LLC	Ambulance Supplies	309.78	23415
Bowman Construction Co	Alleys	2,014.98	23416
Bremer Bank NA	ACH Processing Charge	78.90	23417
Bruce Bergstrom	Meal Allowance	70.00	23418
Bruce Wilson	Meal Allowance	105.00	23419
BW Distributing	Cleaning Supplies-Fire Dept	19.16	23420
Carlson Auto Repair	Gas-Eng/Street/Elec/Water	920.32	23421
Cellular One	Cell Phone-Ambulances	67.74	23422
Chris Raboin	Travel Expense	239.06	23423
City Water Department	Sunset Cove Transfer	1,562.27	23424
Continental Safety Equipment	Meth Lab Equip	258.20	23425
Corrin's Plumbing & Heating	Repairs - Fire Dept	325.89	23426

Craig Johnson	Travel Expense	140.00	23427
Custom Fire Apparatus Inc	Supplies - Fire Dept	274.00	23428
Daily Journal	Misc Ads-Housing/Council	1,037.33	23429
Daryl Waller	2006 Durango Title	17.50	23430
David Vohler	Meal Allowance	70.00	23431
Dept of Labor & Industry, CAIS	Lic Renewal-Brokaw	20.00	23432
E-Gads Inc	Bldg Official Services	4,768.00	23433
Eric Norstad	Meal Allowance	105.00	23434
Evergreen Lawn Care	Weed & Feed	1,725.30	23435
Falls Lumber Co Inc	Parks & Rec/Street/Library	316.20	23436
Falls Memorial Hospital	Nurse Reimbursements	1,926.87	23437
Falls Office Supply	Supplies-Bldg Off/Adm/Police/Elec	757.25	23438
Fargo Water Equipment	Supplies	424.86	23439
Forest Hill Cemetery Assoc	Monthly Payment	533.00	23440
Franklin Products	Fire Prevention Week	374.53	23441
Friend's Garbage Service	Garbage Service	637.65	23442
Gall's Inc	Clothing Allowance-Houglum	368.91	23443
Graybar Electric	Supplies	529.89	23444
Guardian Pest Ctrl Inc	Pest Control	354.86	23445
Hach Company	Turbidity Meter	2,183.25	23446
Hawkins Inc	Chemicals/Parts	2,224.67	23447
Healthline Medical Supply	EMT Pants	97.02	23448
Infinity Wireless	Ambulance Pagers	5,085.38	23449
Int'l Falls/Kooch Cty	Project Funding	75,000.00	23450
IUOE Local 49	Insurance Premiums	52,500.00	23451
Jerry Jensen	MSDS Solutions/Meal Allowance	505.00	23452
KEEPRS Inc	Clothing Allowance-Wood	85.90	23453
KGHS-AM	Home Show Booth	16.50	23454
K-Mart #9689	Supplies-Pound/Police	143.08	23455
Koerter's Amoco	Gas-Street/Water	804.11	23456
Lawson Products Inc	Electrical Supplies	753.54	23457
Lisa Norstad	Meal Allowance	175.00	23458
LMC Insurance Trust-Liab	Norman Seegert Claim	500.00	23459
LMC Insurance Trust-W/C	WC Ins Premium-Adjustment	4,732.00	23460
MacNeil Environmental Inc	Asbestos Air Monitoring	1,047.40	23461
Maintenance Engineering Ltd	Electrical Supplies	449.56	23462
Marco	PC-Cash Rec./Eng/Admin/Server	33,470.40	23463
Mary Klein	School Registration - Scholler	75.00	23464
Mary Pautz	Supplies – Admin	31.94	23465
Mason's	Clothing Allowance-Lynch	29.00	23466
Melanie Clarity	Alterations-Ambulance	42.00	23467
Menards International Falls	Supplies-Street/Elec/B&G	145.54	23468
Metro Fire	Supplies	240.69	23469
Minnesota Industries	Supplies-Bldgs & Grounds/Water	253.90	23470
Void			23471
Minnesota Life	Insurance Premiums	641.44	23472

Minnesota Pollution Control	Stormwater Permit Application	400.00	23473
Minnesota Power	Monthly Bill	12,016.27	23474
Minnesota Safety Council	Membership Dues	325.00	23475
MN Dept of Health	Water Operator Exams	32.00	23476
MN Dept of Labor & Industry	Annual Registration-Mun Bldg	20.00	23477
MN Dept of Revenue	Sales Tax	1,679.00	23478
Municipal Code Corporation	Minutes Updated on Website	106.50	23479
N Kooch Sanitary Sewer	Effluent Treatment	72,653.82	23480
Nancy Gehrke, Treasurer	Membership - Stanich	35.00	23481
NAPA Falls Supply	Supplies - Water/Street/Amb	934.64	23482
National Waterworks Inc	Supplies	543.93	23483
North Star Publishing	Envelopes-Survey/Admin	387.89	23484
Northeast Service Cooperative	Insurance Premiums	28,402.50	23486
Northern Auto Parts	Supplies-Street/Water/Police	592.54	23487
Northern Lumber Yard Inc	Tools / Supplies	609.44	23488
Old Dominion Brush	Gutter/Tube Brooms	523.44	23489
Outdoorsman's Headquarters	Ammo	567.42	23490
Pauline Costley	Meal Allowance	105.00	23491
Pelland Welding, Inc.	Supplies/Repairs	1,028.54	23492
Petty Cash - Mike Stanich	Petty Cash	184.84	23493
Powerplan	Parts	90.88	23494
Praxair	Cylinder Rental	63.56	23495
Publishers Group, LLC	Meth Educ Matls - Forfeiture	419.90	23496
Randy's Discount Auto Center	Gas - Police/Street/B&G/Water	2,013.42	23497
Range Paper Corp	Equip - Kerry Park Arena	286.61	23498
Ranier Water Dept	Sunset Cove Water	8,851.55	23499
Reed Business Information	Legal Ad - Watermain Replacement	188.68	23500
Rick Becvar	Travel Expense	140.00	23501
Robert Manka	Meal Allowance	105.00	23502
Rural Cellular Corp	Engineering/Police Squads	343.04	23503
Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge	Lodging-Water School	591.30	23504
Shannon's Inc	Unit 61 Parts	48.99	23505
Sjoblom's Nursery & Landscape	Grass Seed/Tree	149.09	23506
Stephanie Vohler	Meal Allowance	105.00	23507
Streicher's	Clothing/Equip/Security Holsters	4,746.90	23508
Super One	D.A. R. E. Graduation	4.78	23509
Terry Christie	Travel Expense	401.55	23510
Tessman Seed Co	Supplies - Grounds	313.11	23511
The Boyle Law Firm	Office Allowance	500.00	23512
The Nelson Trust	Insurance Premiums	17,000.00	23513
The Sand Creek Group Ltd	Employee Assistance Program	2,750.00	23514
Tim McBride	Contingency	500.00	23515
Tom Sakry	Travel Expense	140.00	23516
Traci Wilke	Meal Allowance	35.00	23517
United States Postal Service	Postage	1,000.00	23518
US Postmaster	Annual Permit Mailing Fee	160.00	23519

Wayne Lepper	Meal Allowance	70.00	23520
West Payment Center	Monthly Bill-Attorney	261.31	23521
Wherley Motor Sales	2006 Durango/Ac Repair/ Amb	23,429.65	23522
White's Rental Service	Equipment Rentals-Library	332.28	23523
Xerox Corporation	Maint-Police/Admin	354.82	23524

Motion seconded by Councilor Eklund and carried unanimously.

The following checks were issued under blanket authorization:

MN Benefits Association	MBA	147.88	81420
MN NCPERS Life Insurance	PERA Life Ins	192.00	81421
IAMAW District W3	Union Dues	791.23	81422
Intl Union of Oper Engineers	Union Dues	741.00	81423
Brian Jespersen, Sec/Treas	Cops	84.00	81424
Intl Falls Ambulance Service	Dues	147.00	81425
I.U.O.E. Central Pension Fund	Suppl Retirement	1,464.96	81426
United Way of NE Minnesota Inc	Donation	10.00	81427
AFLAC	Suppl Insurance	350.19	81428
TruStar Federal Credit Union	Savings	1,096.00	81429
Border States Bank	Savings	675.00	81430
MN Department of Revenue	State Withholding	5,258.99	81431
Bremer Bank NA	Fed Withholding	25,223.08	81432
Wells Fargo Bank	Bonds	600.00	81433
Bremer Bank	Savings	250.00	81434
MN Child Support Pmt Ctr	Wage Assignment	831.08	81435
PERA	Retirement	15,774.32	81436
Orchard Trust Co Trustee/Custo	Deferred Comp	9,167.00	81437

APPROVED CONSENT  
AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Eklund to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- **Approve/allow necessary expenses for Harold Scholler to attend a surface water training school conducted at the Vermillion Community College, Ely, MN in cooperation with the MN Department of Health on June 20 & 21, 2006.**

Motion seconded by Councilor Rognerud and carried unanimously.

APPROVED PURCHASE OF  
MULTI-TERRAIN LOADER

Motion by Councilor Rognerud to approve the purchase of a multi-terrain loader for the public works department, as a budgeted item. Motion seconded by Councilor McBride and carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZED WAIVER OF FIRE  
INSPECTION FEE FOR FOSTER  
PARENTS

Motion by Councilor McBride to waive the fire inspection fee for licensing foster parents within our jurisdiction. Motion seconded by Councilor Torseth and carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZED LETTER TO  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY REGARDING

Motion by Councilor McBride to send letter to the Department of Homeland Security requesting that the department accept state drivers licenses issued in

WESTERN HEMISPHERE  
TRAVEL INITIATIVE

compliance with the federal Real I.D. Act as secure documents acceptable under the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative as alternatives to passports. Motion seconded by Councilor Eklund and carried unanimously.

APPROVED LABOR  
AGREEMENTS

Motion by Councilor Eklund to approve the proposed labor agreements with the Woodworkers Lodge W33- Falls Police Department and Firemen Engineers. Motion seconded by Councilor McBride and carried unanimously.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION #20-06  
APPROVING LEASE FOR  
INTERNATIONAL VOYAGEURS  
SNOWMOBILE CLUB TO SELL  
PULL-TABS AT HANSON'S  
OUTPOST

Motion by Councilor Eklund to adopt Resolution #20-06 approving the International Voyageurs Snowmobile Club, Inc Lease for Lawful Gambling Activity Permit to allow them to sell pull-tabs at Hanson's Outpost, Hwy 53 & 18<sup>th</sup> Street, International Falls, MN. Motion seconded by Councilor Torseth and carried unanimously.

ACCEPTED BID FOR  
WATERMAIN LOOPING  
PROJECT

Motion by Councilor Rognerud to accept the low bid of \$280,226.09 from Wagner Construction, Inc for the Watermain Looping Project and to pass the first reading of Contract Ordinance #935 to award this project. Motion seconded by Councilor Eklund and carried unanimously.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION #21-06  
APPROVING TEMPORARY  
BEER SALES LICENSE FOR  
ROTARY CLUB

Motion by Councilor McBride to adopt Resolution #21-06 approving temporary beer sales license application of the International Falls Rotary Club for July 3-4, 2006 at Smokey Bear Park. Motion seconded by Councilor Eklund and carried unanimously.

CLOSED MEETING TO  
DISCUSS LABOR  
NEGOTIATIONS

Motion by Councilor Eklund to close meeting to discuss labor negotiations. Motion seconded by Councilor McBride and carried unanimously.

[The council went into closed session.]

Mayor Mason reconvened the meeting in open session.

ADJOURNMENT

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Shawn Mason, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rodney Otterness, City Administrator