

**ELY CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
April 1, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Jim Doyle called a workshop meeting of the Ely City Council to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday April 1, 2014 in the Council Chambers at Ely City Hall. Council Members present: Bob Ballantyne, Dave Rasmussen, Kay Hale, Bill Grove and Stephanie Mehmen. Also present: Jeff Hilleman, Ron Stark, and Administrator/Clerk Aaron Anderson.

The City Council met in special session, pursuant to notice as required by State Code, to conduct a workshop session regarding capital projects planning for work to be performed during FY 2014-15 as set out in the posted agenda.

Hale moved to approve the agenda, second by Ballantyne; motion carried – 5 to 0.

Workshop Session re: Capital Projects Planning for FY 2014-15

Review Capital Projects Included for Possible Construction in FY 2014-15 Budget.

Clerk/Administrator Anderson reported the following projects, and estimated costs, were included in the budget for FY 2014-15 to be considered for construction:

- Street Improvements and Resurfacing - \$299,114:
 - Highland Road Resurfacing - \$210,000
 - State Street White Topping – Ely portion \$35,114
 - Northgate Dr. Extension/Edellen Meadows/North Ely Park Entrance – Ely portion - \$54,000.
- City Park Development, Restroom/Concession Stand, Playground and Walking Trail at Ely City Park - \$329,186.
- Parking Lot Construction/Surfacing - \$228,000:
 - Downtown Dows/Main Street - \$100,700
 - Ely City Park - \$121,000.

Mr. Anderson reported grants supported work to extend the Hoover Trail from Ely City Park to the intersection of State and Rowley Streets is also included in the capital budget for FY 14-15. He noted all above projects were included per City Council consensus at the February 9, 2014 workshop meeting.

Dave Rasmussen noted the estimated cost for the City Park project appears not to include the cost of purchasing the playground equipment, which City Council discussed. City Council also discussed including the City Engineer's recommendation to resolve drainage issues in the area the Downtown Dows/Main Street parking lot at estimated cost of \$70,000.00.

Discuss Which Projects to Proceed With for Construction During FY 2014-15. Mayor and City Council discussed capital projects to construct during FY 2014-15, amount of money to direct toward capital projects, and estimated project costs. Consensus was to proceed to increase the capital projects budget to include the items listed above, and increase the amount of the capital projects budget accordingly. Mr. Anderson reported based on project estimates Ely would need to issue \$1,010,000 in general obligation bonds with the

intent of using Local Option Sales Tax revenues to repay the note. Mr. Anderson reported forecast LOST proceeds are adequate to service that amount of debt.

Direct Staff to Proceed to Develop Capital Projects for Construction During FY 2014-15. Hale moved to direct city staff to proceed to develop the following capital projects for construction during FY2014-15:

- Street Improvements and Resurfacing - \$299,114 (total):
 - Resurface Highland Road from Hillcrest to Plainview - \$210,000, Extend through Knoll Court as alternate.
 - State Street White Topping – Ely portion \$35,114
 - Northgate Dr. Extension/Edellen Meadows/North Ely Park Entrance – Ely portion - \$54,000.
- Park Development, Restroom/Concession Stand, Playground and Walking Trail at Ely City Park - \$412,186
- Parking Lot Construction/Surfacing - \$298,700 (total):
 - Downtown Dows/Main Street including area drainage improvements - \$177,700.
 - Ely City Park - \$121,000.
- Hoover Trail to the intersection of Rowley & State St - \$219,400, paid for by grant and cash on hand.

Ballantyne seconded the motion. Motion carried – 5 to 0.

Hale moved to adjourn at 6:57 p.m., second by Mehmen; motion carried – 5 to 0. Mayor Doyle declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

James E. Doyle Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Aaron Anderson, Clerk/Administrator