

LOCALNEWS

Board to consider 2014 levy

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

The Falls School Board is scheduled to meet Monday to consider adopting the proposed 2014 levy.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. in the cafeteria at Falls High School.

Preliminary numbers show an increase over last year's levy of \$1.9 million, but Falls Superintendent Nordy Nelson said he expects those numbers to change in about two weeks.

The board may reduce the proposed levy, but not increase it, until Dec. 15, when the final levy and budget must be completed.

In other business Monday, the board is expected to hear a presentation about CEOs in the Classroom as well as the Junior Achievement program.

Both programs bring local leaders and businesspeople into classrooms to discuss how students can be successful during and after high school.

The board is also expected to discuss the proposal to adopt a weighted grading system for 10th, 11th and 12th grades. A weighted grading system offers an equal credit for a lower grade in a more difficult class. No action is expected to be taken by the board.

Also on Monday's agenda is board consideration to approve a contract extension between Independent School District No. 361 and Mesabi Range Community and Technical College for concurrent enrollment for the 2013-2014 academic year.

The board will consider the recall of Val Forsythe from an unre-

quested leave of absence as an educational support professional.

The board will consider the hires of Tara Harris as an educational support professional, Riffany Reineck as an education support professional, Darrell Ulrich as a custodian, and Brien Kelly as a custodian.

Resignations from Arlys Maxwell as an educational support professional is also on the agenda for consideration.

Administrative reports from Nelson; Melissa Tate, Falls and West End Elementary principal; and Tim Everson, Falls High School principal are also expected.

The public will have the chance to address the board on any topic during open forum at the beginning of Monday's meeting.

HOMECOMING ROYALTY



STAFF PHOTO BY EMILY GEDDE

In lieu of the homecoming festivities scheduled next week Falls High School, the candidates for homecoming royalty were announced this week. Not pictured in order, the freshmen candidates are: Bailey Fish, Meggan Flovick, Cassie Pullar, Lexi Erickson, Lauren Rautio, Riley Nemec, Brady Wright, Nick Hedtke, Ben Everson and Tyler Coffield. Sophomore candidates are: Madison Truty, Briana Becvar, Annika Amadahl, Emily Treat, Madeline Dahl, Eric Cann, Ethan Phung, Jacob Everson, Chase Bernard, Wyatt Helgeson and Spencer Jessen. Junior candidates are: Cassie Tomczak, Krysten Hall, Madison Filipiak, Madeline Fredrickson, Shawnee Smith, Teagan Anderson, Ben Humbert, Clay Bergstrom, Gary Harala, Jackson Vollom and Logan Johnson. Senior candidates are Bailey Vollom, Courtney Klow, Jaci Scholler, Logen Amundsen, Sydney Raboin, Keanna Carlson, Brady Walls, Cody Hallin, Jakob Ettestad, Jake Piekarski and Luke Spilde. The crowning of a king and queen from each grade will take place during the pep fest scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Monday at the FHS gymnasium.

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AGENDA

City Council
Monday, September 16, 2013 • 4:30 P.M.
Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

MINUTES

- Approve minutes of the Tuesday, September 3, 2013 regular City Council meeting

SPECIAL ACTION CLAIMS

TRANSFERS

| To: | From: | |
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| 1. City of Intl Falls - Fund #101 General Fund | City of Intl Falls - Fund #601 Water/Sewer Admin Costs | \$15,952.00 |
| 2. City of Intl Falls - Fund #401 Permanent Improvements | City of Intl Falls - Fund #601 Water/Sewer Sanitary Sewer Projects | \$16,668.00 |
| 3. City of Intl Falls - Fund #403 Reserve for Capital Outlay | City of Intl Falls - Fund #601 Water/Sewer | \$15,271.25 |

REGULAR CLAIMS

- Regular Claims

AUDIENCE

OPENING BIDS AND/OR QUOTES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval to use city beach camping fees to purchase bulletin board
2. Head Mechanic recommendation
3. Follow-up discussion on stop signs in school area
4. 2013 license renewal – Hollie Bahr, massage
5. Resolution # __-13 Borderland Alano Club, application for exempt permit
6. Enter into an agreement with Northspan Group for facilitation services on a 50/50 basis with Koochiching County from 8/1/2013-12/31/2013 not to exceed 12,500 for the city's share
7. Resolution # __-13 approving the city's partnering with Koochiching County in committing city funds and seeking matching funds for the Economic Adjustment Investment application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration
8. Any other business

PUBLIC HEARING

REPORTS OF ADMINISTRATOR, ATTORNEY, AND

DEPARTMENT HEADS

REPORTS OF MAYOR, COUNCIL COMMITTEES,

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

AUDIENCE – 2nd CALL

CORRESPONDENCE

- International Falls-Koochiching County Airport Commission meeting minutes – July 24, 2013

REMINDERS

- Next regular Council meeting is Monday, October 7, 2013 at 4:30 PM

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be conducted by the Koochiching County Board of Adjustment relative to the following item's on **Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.** in the County Board Room, Koochiching County Courthouse, International Falls, Minnesota.

A variance application received by **Kevin & Camille Murphy** requesting a deviation from the required 75ft setback from the ordinary high water level(OHWL) of Rainy Lake in order to construct a 20 x 32ft (inclusive of attached deck & walkway) combination guest cabin/sauna. The proposed structure will be located approximately 55-60ft from the OHWL. The parcel is located on Grindstone Island and is described as part of Lot 12, Gov't Lot 2, Plat of Grindstone Acres, Sec. 28, Twp 71N, Rge 22W.

A variance application received by **Jeffrey & Roberta Weise** requesting a deviation from the required setback from the State Hwy 11 right-of-way in order to construct a 24 x 30ft garage. The proposed garage will be located approximately 68ft from the centerline of Hwy 11. The parcel is located in Birchdale, MN and is described as part of the SE1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 33, Twp 160N, Rge 27W.

A variance application received by **Christa Heibel** requesting a deviation from the required 50ft setback from the ordinary high water level(OHWL) of Rainy Lake in order to construct an approximate 6 x 18ft 'L' shaped addition to the existing house. The addition will be no closer to the OHWL than the existing house or approximately 27ft from the OHWL. The parcel is located along County Road 103 and is described as part of Gov't Lot 1, Sec. 35, Twp 71N, Rge 23W.

All interested parties are invited to attend the said hearing to be heard. If more information is desired, please contact the Koochiching County Environmental Services, ph.(218)283-1158.

September 6, 2013

Dale Olson
Zoning Administrator
Koochiching County

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