

**North Oaks City Council  
Emergency City Council Meeting Minutes  
Virtual Meeting  
March 19, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Nelson called the emergency meeting of March 19, 2020, to order at 5:09 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

City Council members participated **by telephone or other electronic means** pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.021. Residents can view the meeting on our cable access channel and through the website portal just like other public meetings.

Present: Mayor Nelson. Members Ries, Kingston, Long, and Ross.

Staff Present: Administrator Kress, Recording Secretary Needham, Attorney Nason

Others Present: Videographer – Maureen Anderson.

A quorum was declared present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION by Kingston, seconded by Long, to approve the agenda as submitted.**

**MOTION carried unanimously by roll call.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Briefing on COVID-19 response in light of Minnesota Governor Executive Order 2020-01

- Attorney Nason gave a review of the Governor’s Executive Order 2020-01.
- Mayor Nelson attended a County meeting about the pandemic, and the overall message was for everyone to practice social distancing and work remotely whenever possible.

B. Consent to mayor’s declaration of emergency and consideration of resolution 1379 extending emergency declaration for additional time.

- This resolution will cover the next sixty days and Council can take further action to extend the emergency declaration.

**MOTION by Kingston, seconded by Ries, to approve Resolution 1379 as submitted.**

**MOTION carried unanimously by roll call.**

C. Discussion and consideration of public input and access options for future meetings conducted during declared emergency by telephone or other electronic means.

- Administrator Kress mentioned reviewing the possibility to have public comments submitted for future meetings.

D. Consideration of further actions and discussion related to existing emergency situation.

- Mayor Nelson said there is no knowledge of a confirmed COVID-19 case in North Oaks at this time.
- Member Ries asked if City business would be prioritized; Mayor Nelson replied that City business will continue as usual. Member Ries suggested there may need to be a public meeting

as the situation changes in the coming weeks. Administrator Kress agreed that as information comes in, staff will consult with Council as to additional public meetings if they are warranted.

- Member Ross said the Eureka Recycling plant tour would be cancelled.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The next meeting of the City Council is scheduled for April 9, 2020.

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION by Ross, seconded by Ries, to adjourn the Council meeting at 5:23 p.m.**

**MOTION carried unanimously by roll call.**



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Kevin Kress, City Administrator



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Gregg Nelson, Mayor

Date approved 4/9/2020