

**NASHWAUK  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR AGENDA**

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*City of*  
**NASHWAUK**  
**FROM TIMBER TO TACONITE**

301 Central Avenue, Nashwauk, Minnesota 55769

**City Council**

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**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024**

**Calvin Saari**

*Mayor*

**Brian Gangl**

*Councilor*

**Greg Heyblom**

*Councilor*

**David Bruns**

*Councilor*

**Sheila Jensen**

*Councilor*

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*City Attorney*

**Kurt Metzlig**

*Police Chief/EMS*

**April Kurtock**

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**Jason Martire**

*PW & Utility Lead,  
WW/WW Operator*

**Joe Martire**

*Fire Chief*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**4. NOTABLE ITEMS**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA.** The consent agenda gives the Nashwauk City Council a means of handling routine items in one action. However, any one councilor may request that an item be removed and placed on the regular agenda for discussion and consideration.

- a. Approve the minutes of the April 23, 2024, City Council meeting and minutes of the April 26, 2024, Special City Council meeting.
- b. Approve claim register #51424 Claim 1 in the amount of \$45,369.60 and claim register #51424 Claim 2 in the amount of \$2,786.15.
- c. Approve April Kurtock to attend election training on June 14, 2024, in Grand Rapids.
- d. Approve that the city does not waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established under Minn. Stat. 466.04.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Small Cities Development Program Update
- b. East Itasca Joint Sewer Project Update
- c. Follow-up regarding Mesabi Metallics appeal and amicus brief timeframes.
- d. Fire apparatus update.
- e. Public Works building follow-up.

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f. Community Development requests for Mesabi Metallics: Review project list for May 2024 request.

1. Updated quotes received regarding the concrete pile removal.

g. First notice of non-compliance received from Minnesota Management & Budget Pay Equity Division. The female classes of Deputy Clerk and City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer are at a disadvantage.

h. Consider the recommendation from the Negotiation Committee to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with AFSCME Council No. 65, Local 81, Chapter 3 resolving the pay equity non-compliance issue for the position of Deputy Clerk.

i. Consider the recommendation from the Negotiation Committee to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with MAPE resolving the pay equity non-compliance issue for the position of City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Consider rescheduling the August 13, 2024, Regular City Council meeting to accommodate the primary election.

**8. DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS & REQUESTS**

**a. Fire Department:**

i. Consider the recommendation from Fire Chief Martire to hire John Ketola as a fire department auxiliary member, contingent upon successful completion of drug screening.

ii. Consider the request from Ben DeNucci for a leave of absence of up to one year from the Nashwauk Fire Department.

**b. Ambulance Service:**

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- i. Consider the recommendation from Police Chief Metzиг to approve the hire of Julia Knapper as a paid-on-call EMT effective May 14, 2024.

**c. Police Department:**

- i. Consider the recommendation from Police Chief Metzиг to increase the hourly rate for part-time officers from \$21.00/hour to \$28.00/hour.
- ii. Consider approval of the surplus equipment declaration from Police Chief Metzиг to auction the 2016 Chevy Tahoe. Fair market value of surplus equipment: \$10,000.

**d. Street Department:**

- i. Update regarding water service line inventory, hydrant flushing, and sidewalk inventory from Public Works & Utilities Lead Jason Martire.
- ii. Consider the recommendation from PW&UL Jason Martire to hire Teegan Bodin, Kaydence Bodin, Jayla Larcom, and Dixie Marsters as summer casual laborers for the 2024 summer season.

**9. COMMISSION & COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- 10. PUBLIC COMMENT.** Members of the public are welcome to address the Nashwauk City Council. Please provide your name, brief description of the subject matter, and keep comments to 3 minutes. Rules for public comment are available at the podium.

**11. MAYOR AND COUNCIL UPDATES**

**12. OTHER BUSINESS**

**13. ADJOURN**