## MINUTES REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022

#### CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The regular Waseca City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Srp at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Roy Srp

Daren Arndt

Mark Christiansen

Jeremy Conrath

Allan Rose

Councilmembers Absent:

John Mansfield

Staff Present:

Lee Mattson, City Manager

Carl Sonnenberg, Utilities and Public Works Director

Alicia Fischer, Finance Director Nate Willey, City Engineer

Bill Green, Planning and Zoning Coordinator

Julia Hall, City Clerk

## MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Councilmember Conrath requested adding Action Item 7F: Park Vandalism to the agenda.

Motion to approve agenda as amended was made by Arndt, seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Donald Hubschman of 801 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE would like to start a process that would help homeowners stop unauthorized people from creating action against homes. Because the action his is looking for would need to be implemented with the County the City Manager and Councilmember Conrath encouraged Mr. Hubschman to discuss his concerns with the Waseca County Commissioners. The City Manager will also contact County Administrator Michael Johnson

#### **REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

5. None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

6. Motion was made by Christiansen to approve consent agenda, seconded by Rose. Motion carried 5-0.

### **ACTION AGENDA**

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- A. RCCA: Nuisance 805 8th Ave NW Public Hearing.
  - 1. Public Hearing was opened at 7:11 p.m.
  - 2. There being no comment the Public Hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

Motion was made by Christiansen to pass Resolution 22-29 to give the final 30-day notice to bring the property at 805 8<sup>th</sup> Ave NE into compliance before legal action and abatement, seconded by Rose. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. RCCA: 4th Avenue NW No Parking Zone. Motion was made by Conrath to approve the RCCA as recommended, seconded by Arndt. Motion carried 5-0.
- C. RCCA: Cost participation for the Woodville Township Overlay of 14<sup>th</sup> Ave SE/139<sup>th</sup> Street/345<sup>th</sup> Ave. Christiansen made a motion to proceed with Option 1, seconded by Rose J. Motion carried 4-1. (Nay Conrath).
- D. RCCA" Internet for the Airport and Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion made by Rose to approve recommendation, seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 5-0.
- E. Resolution No. 22-30 A Resolution of the Waseca City Council Amending the Technology Reimbursement Program for City Council. Christiansen made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Arndt. Motion carried 4-1, (Nay Rose).
- F. Park Vandalism has continued to be an ongoing problem. Due to the most recent vandalism during the day at University Park a recommendation was made to lock the restrooms at the park until further notice and bring the conversation to the Parks Board to discuss possible solutions going forward. Motion was made by Arndt approving the recommendation and locking the restrooms at University Park, seconded by Christiansen. Motion carried 5-0,

#### REPORTS

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- A. City Manager's Report
  - 1. A steel wheelchair is on site at the waterpark.
  - 2. SMMPA Rates Update 90-day notice period during which rates may increase. Could be \$500,000 per year.
  - 3. Future IQ has provided a proposal for and review and refresh of the current 2030 Vision. The review and update would be approximately \$18,000. Christiansen made the recommendation that City Staff continue looking into the proposal and proceed with paying half the cost if Waseca County will also pay half, seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 5-0,
  - 4. Lewer Property meetings with Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership continue.

- 5. Tina Wilson has been hired for the Economic Development Manager position, she is expected to begin August 29<sup>th</sup>.
- 6. Acquisition of electric services for Fox Meadows second subdivision has begun.
- B. Commission Reports
  - 1. Economic Development Authority presented by Mayor Srp:
    - a. Paul Snook gave an update on the website and marketing.
    - b. Discussed inviting EDA Board members to the Community Development Ventures meeting.
    - c. The prior Corcoran's building has sold to a trucking company that delivers for Daikin.
  - 2. Park Board presented by Christiansen
    - a. No new business was presented
    - b. Would like clarification of the use of motorized/electric bikes/scooters on trails. City Manager was going to investigate that.
    - c. Downtown walkway restrooms are closed. There is still discussion on what could be down with the walkway.
    - d. Memorial benches have been added to the dog park.
    - e. Clear Lake Park playground equipment installation is proceeding nicely.
    - f. Emerald Ash Borer treatment has begun on City trees.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Council member Conrath announced:

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- 1. The next Council Meeting will be held Wednesday August 3 because Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> is the City of Waseca's Nite to Unite at the Waterpark.
- B. Council member Christiansen announced:
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE has gotten "really rough".
- C. Mayor Srp issued two Proclamations for Waseca Citizens who are turning 100 years old.
  - 1. Dolores Sommers
  - 2. Audrey Stafford
- D. Mayor Srp announced:
  - 1. He spoke with Joe Schumacher who is a local electrician and was told that ALL electricians in the City support each other and if needed will provide other electricians as recommended if they cannot provide the service themselves.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

10. There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Arndt seconded by Conrath to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

R. D. SRP MAYOR

JULIA HAŁL CITY CŁERK