

MINUTES
REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Roy Srp Larry Johnson
Les Tlougan
Jeremy Conrath

Councilmembers Absent (volunteered for social distancing) Allan Rose, Mark Christiansen, Daren Arndt

Staff Present: Lee Mattson, City Manager

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 3 City Manager Mattson asked that 6C, 7A,B,C be removed from the agenda and add 7D: Resolution 20-16 Emergency Declaration and 7E: City Closures Update. It was moved by Conrath, seconded by Tlougan, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 4 None

REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5. None.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6 It was moved by Tlougan seconded by Conrath to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion carried 4-0, and included the following:
- A. Minutes – Regular City Council Meeting March 4, 2020
 - B. Payroll & Expenditures
 - C. ~~Introducing Ordinances 1076 & 1077: Set Public Hearing Date – April 7, 2020~~
 - D. Introducing Ordinance 1079: Amending Chapter 53 & set Public Hearing Date – April 7, 2020
 - E. Resolution 2015: US Solar Agreement

ACTION AGENDA

7A, B, C were removed from the Agenda.

7D Resolution 20-16: Emergency Declaration

The Mayor read the Resolution declaring a local state of emergency for the City of Waseca. This emergency will remain in effect until the City Council rescinds the Resolution at a future Council Meeting.

Motion was made by Conrath, seconded by Tloughan to approve Resolution 20-16. Motion carried 4-0.

7E City Facility Closure update

The City Manager issued an order to close all City Facilities to the public at 2 p.m. today. Parks will remain open but the restrooms will remain locked. Essential services provided by the City will remain available to the public. Employees will continue to interact with the public by telephone and email during these closures. Updates will be posted on the website and Facebook. The City Manager is asking for a motion of support from the Council for these closures.

Motion was made by Tloughan, seconded by Conrath to endorse the order made by the City Manager to close City Facilities to the public. Motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

8A City Manager's Report

- The County and Emergency Management held a Covid-19 meeting today.
- The City will point to the expertise of Public Health during this crisis.
- Recovery Coordinator process remains open and will be delayed during this time.

8B Commission Reports

- EDA – Johnson, Srp
 - Had discussions on the Harguth Property.
 - Continued discussions about the land west of South State Street in Industrial Park.
- Planning Commission – Srp
 - Took care of some housekeeping items.
- Discover Waseca Tourism – Conrath
 - Planning for the Tourism Assessment.
 - Spring/Summer brochures are out.
 - Will be purchasing a go-pro to post videos online.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tloughan – Regional Libraries are closed until further notice

Johnson – Urged residents to support local restaurants during this time of closure.

Conrath – Asked residents to please help the local businesses.

Srp – Encouraged neighbors to help each other out, especially seniors. HyVee delivers if you are unable to get out and get groceries.

ADJOURNMENT

- 10 There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Conrath, seconded by Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.; the motion carried 4-0.

R. D. SRP
MAYOR

DENISE SEBERSON
ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK
OR AVAILABLE STAFF PER COVID-19 ORDERS