

MINUTES
REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022

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 Ted Conrath
Allan Rose Daren Arndt
Jeremy Conrath Mark Christiansen
John Mansfield

Staff Present: Lee Mattson, City Manager
Nate Willey, City Engineer
Julia Hall, Administrative Clerk

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. Motion to approve agenda was made by Arndt, seconded by J. Conrath. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 4.
- A. Deb Dobberstein: Was disappointed that more members of the City were not at the Gaiter Lake Meeting. She was disappointed in Southwest Housing Partnership meeting. Would like to know why the city would not be renting out the field proposed for development as they are going through the conversations before construction. The Council voted 4-3 to not lease the field.
 - B. Gary Dobberstein: Would like to see street assessments be part of the levy and not individually assessed in the City. Requested clarification on who provides the maintenance for streetlights; is it billed by the City or billed by Xcel or is it billed by both? The City Manager agreed to look into streetlight billing, it is thought that the City is charged from Xcel. He would like to see the City improve their "Public Relation Problem" at the top.
 - C. Robert Tackett: Was reviewing the expenses in the agenda packet and wanted to encourage the City to purchase items more locally. Would like to see additional taxes from increased housing going into the community and not to expanding government.

REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5. None

CONSENT AGENDA

6. Motion was made by J. Conrath to approve consent agenda, seconded by T. Conrath. Motion carried 7-0.

ACTION AGENDA

7.
 - A. RCCA: WWTP (Wastewater Treatment Plant) Barscreen Renovation. Motion was made by J. Conrath to approve the renovation of the barscreen, seconded by Christiansen. Motion carried 6-1 (Nay Mansfield).
 - B. RCCA: Request for Proposals for an Airport Fixed Base Operator. Motion by Rose to approve the purchase, seconded by Arndt. Motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

8.
 - A. City Manager's Report
 1. The Wastewater Treatment Plant has received a Certificate of Commendation from the MPCA for compliance with the City's wastewater permit during the 2021 review period. Congratulations to staff at the Treatment Plant for this accomplishment.
 2. A Structural Issue has been identified at the Clear Lake Park E.F. Johnson Shelter. Staff are working with our architect/structural engineer to determine steps forward on this project.
 3. Both the new budgeting/transparency software and human resources software are in the process of being implemented. Finance and HR staff are working hard to get these systems up and running.
 4. Michael Johnson and the City Manager have been conversing about the next Joint Board Meeting and are looking at times in early summer. Council should let the City Manager know if there are topics they would like to see on the agenda.
 - B. Commission Reports
 1. Airport Board presented by Rose:
 - a. They had a very full meeting which was nice to see and they were discussing the future plans for the airport.
 2. Fire Relief Board presented by J. Conrath:
 - a. They have been going ahead with the wiring for their friers.
 - b. They have been looking for suppliers for their fish fry and onion ring stand.
 3. Historic Preservation Committee presented by T. Conrath:
 - a. They have voted on the award recipients for the City's Heritage Preservation Month. The awards will be awarded at their next meeting.
 4. Park Board presented by Christiansen:
 - a. Lake and park clean-up took place April 23rd, they had about 50 volunteers.
 - b. They are looking forward to the Clear Lake cleanup.

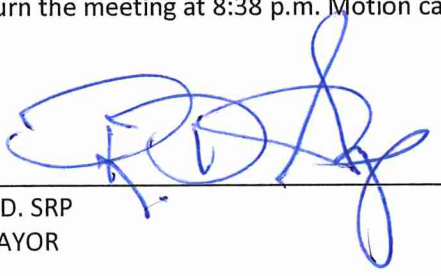
- c. Dog park has been wet because of the wet spring.
- d. Less than ½ a day after the restrooms opening the facilities at University Park were vandalized.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 9.
 - A. Council member Christiansen announced:
 - 1. 5th Street SE has a lot of people speeding. It was discussed about putting a speed trailer out there to remind people of what the limit is.
 - 2. Furry Friends Burger Bight will be May 20, 2022 5:30-7:30 at the Waseca Legion. They will also have a silent auction.
 - 3. May 5th (Cinco De Mayo) there will be a celebration at the Mill from 4-8.
 - B. Council member Mansfield announced:
 - 1. He would like to see better communication from City Staff to residents during construction to include when property driveways will be unavailable and when and where trash pickup will be.

ADJOURNMENT

- 10. There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Arndt seconded by T. Conrath to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.



R. D. SRP
MAYOR



JULIA HALL
ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK