# MINUTES REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

# **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The regular Waseca City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Roy Srp at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held virtually, due to COVID-19.

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Roy Srp

Larry Johnson

Daren Arndt

Les Tlougan

Jeremy Conrath

Mark Christiansen

Allan Rose

Councilmembers Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Tom Kellogg, City Engineer

Mike Anderson, Assistant to the City Manager

Carl Sonnenberg, Utilities & PW Director

Alicia Fischer, Finance Director

Others Present:

Shane Zarht, CGMC

# **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**

It was moved by Rose, seconded by Arndt to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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### **REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Coalition of Greater MN Cities: Shane Zarht presented information on the Coalition and their initiatives for 2020-2021. He spoke about the CARES Act, Bonding Bill, PFAS, and Child Care. He also mentioned how COVID-19 has slowed things down this year.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

- It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Arndt, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call 7-0. The motion carried.
  - A. Minutes August 27 Work Session, September 1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and September 11 Special Council Meeting Minutes
  - B. Payroll & Expenditures
  - C. Resolution 20-39: Setting Public Hearing Date for October 6, 2020 Assessment Roll 20-99

- D. Resolution 20-40: Amending Resolution 15-55 to update Legal Description
- E. Approval of COVID-19 Small Business and Non-Profit Grants
- F. Resolution 20-45: Setting Truth n Taxation hearing

## **ACTION AGENDA**

7 A. Public Hearing: Resolution 20-42 Municipal Projects 2017-06 & 2018-01

Tom Kellogg presented information to the Council regarding Municipal Projects 2017-06 & 2018-01.

The public hearing opened at 7:41 p.m. and closed at 7:45 p.m. Nobody approached the Council during the hearing.

Motion was made by Conrath, seconded by Tlougan to approve Resolution 20-42. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

B. Resolution 20-44: Adopting 2021 Preliminary Levy

Finance Director Fischer presented budget information to the Council for the 2021 Preliminary Levy. The levy will include a 3% increase from 2020.

Motion was made by Rose, seconded by Arndt to approve Resolution 20-44. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

C. Resolution 20-43: Adopting 2021 EDA Preliminary Levy

Finance Director Fischer informed Council that the 2021 EDA levy will include a \$5,520 increase from the 2020 budget amount.

Motion was made by Arndt, seconded by Conrath to approve Resolution 20-43. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

D. Resolution 20-41: Approving 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Bonds

Bids were due on Friday, September 11 by 12 p.m. First National Bank was awarded the bonds with a low interest rate. City Manager and Finance Director met to go through the information and recommend adopting Resolution 20-41.

It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Srp to approve Resolution 20-41. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

E. Setting Special Meeting Date for September 22, 2020

The City Council will be meeting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22.

F. RCCA: South State Street Water Main Project

City Manager Mattson informed Council that there has been two water main breaks out on State Street in front of City Hall. It is being recommended to fix another section of 200 feet before winter. The project cost is estimated between \$150,000 and \$170,000.

Motion was made by Rose, seconded by Srp to give staff the approval to move forward with this project. Roll call 7-0. Motion carried.

#### **REPORTS**

- 8 A. City Manager's Report
  - City Engineer Kellogg is retiring on Thursday
  - Nate Willey has accepting the City Engineer Position
  - Joe Palen will be Interim City Enginee
  - B. Commission Reports

**Heritage Preservation Commission** 

- Discussed Historic Banners
- State Preservation Conference is Virtual this year
- Sophia Hoiseth introduced herself

# Airport Board

- Talked Capital Improvements for 2021
- Received Conagra Farm Field update

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

9 Conrath – Thanked Tom Kellogg for his service to City of Waseca.

Tlougan – It is an election year, early voting begins September 18.

Srp – Read a Thank You card that was received from Jobs Plus.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Arndt, seconded by Conrath, to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m.; Roll call, 7-0. Motion carried.

R. D. SRP

**MAYOR** 

MIKE ANDERSON

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER