

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
December 14, 2020

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Bob Roesler on Monday, December 14, 2020 with members Carlee Hunter, Matt Larson, Kurt Olson, Brad Ringnell and Bob Roesler present. Also present City Admin/Police Chief Brad Hughes and Deputy Clerk Kym Christiansen.

Due to the COVID-19 health pandemic, the meeting was held by electronic means.

At this time, the Budget and Levy Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. No residents were present to hear City Admin/Police Chief Hughes's slide presentation that began with an explanation of the city budget, where the money comes from and where it is spent, descriptions of the various funds supported by tax dollars and the enterprise funds that are expected to support themselves. City Admin/Police Chief Hughes continued to explain that the proposed levy had been certified with a 2.8% increase for 2021 with final levy approval coming on December 21. Hughes went on to mention that Martin County noticed an issue with the assessment of older homes in the County selling for more than the assessed value which may cause homes to have an increase in valuation and a higher increase in taxes. Motion by Larson to close the Budget and Levy Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m., second by Ringnell. Larson, yea; Ringnell, yea; Hunter, yea; Olson, yea; Roesler, yea. Public Hearing was declared closed.

The council meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Motion by Larson to approve the agenda as updated, second by Ringnell. Larson, yea; Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea; Hunter, yea; Roesler, yea. Updated agenda was declared approved.

Motion by Hunter to approve the minutes as amended, second by Roesler. Hunter, yea; Roesler, yea; Larson, yea; Ringnell, yea; Olson, yea. Amended minutes were declared approved.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

Motion by Olson to approve Resolution 2020-27 Accepting Donation of \$850 from Federated Rural Electric Trust for the Sherburn Fire Department to Purchase a Grain Bin Rescue Auger, second by Ringnell. Olson, yea; Ringnell, yea, Hunter, yea; Larson, yea; Roesler, yea. Resolution 2020-27 approved.

Motion by Ringnell to approve Resolution 2020-28 Designating Precinct and Polling Place, second by Larson. Ringnell, yea; Larson, yea; Olson, yea; Hunter, yea; Roesler, yea. Resolution 2020-28 approved.

Motion by Olson to approve the 2021 business licenses to Casey's, Kum & Go, Dollar General, and Cup N Saucer, second by Larson. Olson, yea; Larson, yea; Hunter, yea; Ringnell, yea; Roesler, yea. 2021 business licenses were declared approved.

Hughes presented results of the 2020 pay equity report that was submitted earlier in the year and the City was found to be in compliance. The next report will be due in 2023.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the off-site gambling request for Fox Lake Conservation Club, second by Hunter. Ringnell, yea; Hunter, yea; Olson, yea; Larson, yea; Roesler, yea. Off-Site gambling permit was declared approved.

Hughes presented a proposal from Bolton and Menk for topography survey for the North Osborne Street project. The estimated cost for the work is \$14,500. Motion by Ringnell to accept the Bolton and Menk

proposal for Topography Survey not to exceed \$14,500, second by Larson. Ringnell, yea; Larson, yea; Olson, yea; Hunter, yea; Roesler, yea. Proposal was declared approved.

Administrator Report

- November 2020 Police Report was presented for review
- Temperance Lake Ridge financial report for October 2020 was presented for review. There may be change in the management fee for the upcoming year.
- MMBA Letter regarding possible relief funds for the liquor store if approved by the legislature. Liquor Store Manager will be in contact with MMBA to see what needs to be done to receive the funds

In other business, Councilor Hunter asked what can be done to a house taken down that was destroyed by house fire.

Motion to adjourn by Larson, second by Ringnell. Larson, yea; Ringnell, yea; Hunter, yea; Olson, yea; Roesler, yea. Meeting declared adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk