

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 2021

A regular council meeting was duly called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bob Roesler on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 with members Carlee Hunter, Kurt Olson, Matt Larson, Brad Ringnell, and Bob Roesler present. Also present City Admin/Police Chief Brad Hughes and Deputy Clerk Kym Christiansen.

In open public comment, RS Clymer presented a proposal for an Eagle Scout project that the City Park. He would like to construct a handicap accessible path to the Lion's shelter. The labor would be done by members of the Boy Scout as well as family and friends. Mr. Clymer stated that the only cost would be for the concrete and it was the consensus of the council to approve the project.

At this time the public hearing for the Federated Rural Electric Association Variance Request was called to order at 5:05 p.m. Federated Rural Electric is asking for a variance to construct a substation out by Interstate 90. George Madden with Federated Rural Electric Association provided the reasons for the construction of a new substation along with work that completed to choose a location. Questions from those in attendance included the affects the substation would have on the sound system at the church and if Federated Rural Electric Association could provide a document that states there will no issues with the sound system and potential remedies if issues did arise. Mr. Madden explained that they have contacted the engineers working on the substation and they stated there would not be any issues but will be talk with the attorney's about a documents. Motion by Ringnell to adjourn the public hear at 5:22 p.m., second by Larson, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the agenda, second by Larson, carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the minutes as amended, second by Larson, carried.

Consent agenda including payment of bills was declared approved.

George Madden with Federated Rural Electric presented the timeline for the new substation if the variance is approved along with what will happen with the current substation site. Motion by Ringnell to approve the variance request for Federated Rural Electric Association, second by Olson, carried.

The final reading of Ordinance 2021-1 An Ordinance Adding Section 901.12 to the Sherburn City Code Zoning for Qualified Property in an Urban District Setting the Ratio of Benefits Resulting from Tax Supported Municipal Services took place. Motion by Ringnell to approve Ordinance 2021-1, second by Hunter. Ringnell, yea; Hunter, yea; Olson, yea; Larson, yea; Roesler, yea. Ordinance 2021-1 approved.

Motion by Hunter to approve Resolution 2021-10 Accepting Donation of \$500.00 from Gary & Janet Miller Charitable Fund for the Sherburn Fire Department, second by Olson. Hunter, yea; Olson, yea; Larson, yea; Ringnell, yea; Roesler, yea. Resolution 2021-10 approved.

City Admin/Police Chief Hughes presented information regarding the fundraising for the park playground equipment. The Park Committee has raised approximately \$3,000 through the Flamingo project as well as number of grants from the Schmeekle Foundation, Bank Midwest, and Martin County Area Foundation. It was noted that the Fox Lake Conservation Club will also give a donation. Hughes stated that a total of \$39,700 has been raised towards the project and would commit the remaining project costs from the COVID funds. Motion by Ringnell to move forward with the project and commit up to \$15,000 from COVID funds towards the project, second by Larson, carried.

Administrator Report

- The final testing on the new well is being completed then the well will be put online and the repair of the third well can be completed.
- The final permit for the Wastewater Treatment Plant has been issued and all required variances were granted. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency advised that the project has been certified and we will be able to obtain funding from Public Facilities Authority.
- Funds were appropriated in the transportation bill for the N Osborne street project.

Motion to adjourn by Ringnell, second by Larson, carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Kym Christiansen, Deputy Clerk