

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 23, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Patrick J. Milliren.

Roll Call: Present – Council Members Gilles, Hooker, Schneider, and Schofield. Absent: Council Members Hartung and Roesler. Also: Administrator Rasmussen. Absent: City Clerk Morgan, Public Works Director Gilles, Police Chief Ridgeway, Fire Chief King, and Ambulance Director Miller. Due and proper notice of meeting was confirmed.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Council Member Hooker and seconded by Council Member Schofield to adopt the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: None

Scheduled Appearances: None

Consent Agenda: The City Council Members reviewed the Regular Council Meeting minutes from February 9, 2022, bartender licenses for LeAnn K Seipel at Handy Mart #1047, and a picnic license for Pepin County Tavern League Fun Putt Crawl at the Masonic Lodge 203 W. Main Street on March 5, 2022. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes from February 9, 2022, bartender licenses for LeAnn K Seipel at Handy Mart #1047, and a picnic license for Pepin County Tavern League Fun Putt Crawl at the Masonic Lodge 203 W. Main Street on March 5, 2022 as presented under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Business Agenda - Mayor's Report: Mayor Milliren thanked everyone for their thoughts and support to him and his family following the recent passing of his brother Frank.

Administrators Report: The City Administrator reminded citizens to keep their sidewalks and entrances to crosswalks clear following yesterday's snow.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Pepin County Housing Authority PILOT Agreement. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the Pepin County Housing Authority PILOT Agreement, with amendments changing length of time for making back-payments from 24 months to 12 months and clarifying that the payments could change based on any significant increases or reductions in the number of units within the City. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Public Safety – Police Department: No department updates.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Application for Open Container from Pepin County Tavern League Fun Putt Crawl on March 5, 2022. Motion by Council Member Gilles, seconded by Council Member Schneider to approve the Application for Open Container from Pepin County Tavern League Fun Putt Crawl on March 5, 2022. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Fire Department: No department updates.

Council was provided with a list of the updated 2022 Fire Department Officers. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Hooker to accept the 2022 Fire Department Officers. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

Ambulance Department: Administrator Rasmussen provided a brief update regarding Director Miller's success in obtaining a fix for the Stryker lift system in the backup ambulance.

With Director Miller's absence, the approval of the Ambulance Officers will be addressed at the next council meeting.

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: R. Kiviniemi gave a quick update regarding a subcontractor payment complaint on the Laneville project. Subcontractor was told to discuss the issue with SSG as contractor of the project.

Public Works/Utilities: Administrator Rasmussen provided a brief update on DOT recommended signage issues and an update on the Kwik Trip project.

Rasmussen provided an update from Monday's Public Works committee meeting regarding purchase of a front-end loader, snowblower, and plow approved as part of the 2022 capital budget. Director Gilles will do additional research on the loader/blower combination, but asked to order a new articulating plow to be available this October at a cost not to exceed \$45,000.

Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Hooker to purchase the articulating plow as approved in the 2022 Budget, at a cost not to exceed \$45,000. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Engineer Kiviniemi and Administrator Rasmussen explained the unique process for the WisDOT Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant program and why Main Street would be a good candidate for the program. Rasmussen noted that there would be no costs associated with this process.

Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles directing staff to prepare a Request for Proposal for WisDOT Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) grant program, (SOQ) for Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Request for Statement of Qualifications proposed Main Street Project grant application assistance and design engineering services. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the vouchers presented #27638 – 27668 in the amount of \$744,925.41. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The next meeting is the Regular Council Meeting on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 6:30 pm. There will be a Finance meeting prior to that to discuss the Swimming Pool Project.

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Gilles at 7:19 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Scott Rasmussen, City Administrator