

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 27, 2022

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Public Comment: None

Scheduled Appearances: Lifesaver Award presentation for Joel Ward and Taylor Wahl-Caldwell on their outstanding lifesaving actions.

Skid Steer Guy & Sampson Concrete – Laneville Project. Mitch Horvat from Skid Steer Guy to discuss the liquidated damages for the Laneville Avenue Project. Mitch feels that there were only 19 days that he should be charged for liquidated damages.

Marty Maidment Sr. from Sampson Concrete was also present to discuss the liquidated damages.

Consent Agenda: The City Council Members reviewed the Regular Council Meeting minutes from April 13, 2022, a picnic license for Durand Fire Relief Association Fundraiser on May 14 – 15, 2022, and temporary bartender licenses for Matthew L Gilles and Ronald D Jasperson for the Durand Fire Relief Association fundraiser. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes from April 13, 2022, a picnic license for Durand Fire Relief Association Fundraiser on May 14 – 15, 2022, and temporary bartender licenses for Matthew L Gilles and Ronald D Jasperson for the Durand Fire Relief Association fundraiser as presented under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Business Agenda - Mayor's Report: Mayor Milliren gave an update on the City events. The Durand-Arkansaw School District will have a softball field dedication on May 5, 2022. There is a new head of the Rural Fire Department, Brad Anderson was elected on April 20, 2022. Planning for an upcoming Joint Cities Meeting for possibly the end of June.

Professional Municipal Clerk's Appreciation Week May 1 – 7, 2022 Proclamation. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Roesler. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Administrator's Report: Administrator Rasmussen gave an update of the City events. Administrator Rasmussen thanked Don Hartung for his hard work on the Rural Fire Department. He also discussed the payment from the Swim Club for the USAquatics invoice.

Discuss and possible action regarding update to the Drug & Alcohol Policy. Motion by Council Member Hayden, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the changes to the Drug & Alcohol Policy. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Safety – Police Department: Police Chief Ridgeway gave an update of the Police Department. The last session for the Explorers Program will be in May. There was a repair to one of the squad cars.

Discuss and possible action regarding purchase of budgeted Pedestrian Crossing Signs (a 50/50 split with School District). Motion by Council Member Roesler, seconded by Council Member Weisenbeck to purchase of budgeted Pedestrian Crossing Signs from Decker Supply in the amount of \$17,404.30 without the installation (about \$600) a 50/50 split with Durand-Arkansaw School District. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Discuss and possible action regarding the salary options to attract Part-time Police Officers. The sign on bonus would be \$600, with a payout of \$300 at 3 months and \$100 each month following until they reach 6 months. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Hooker to recommend a \$600 signing bonus to attract Part-time Police Officers, with a payout of \$300 at 3 months and \$100 each month following until they reach 6 months, effective May 1, 2022. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Fire Chief King was not able to attend the meeting.

Ambulance Department: Ambulance Director Miller gave an update of the Ambulance Department.

Discussion and possible action regarding increasing the Ambulance City/Local On-Call pay. The difference in funds will be supplemented with ARPA Funds for two years. Motion by Council Member Gilles, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve an increase in the Ambulance City/Local on-call pay to \$5.00 per hour effective May 1, 2022. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: R. Kiviniemi gave an engineering report. Cedar is working with Public Works Director Gilles on the WI DOT Federal BIL Grant that is due June 3, 2022. Status of the 2021 project, still waiting for the weather to improve to complete the punch list items.

Public Works/Utilities: Public Works Director Gilles gave an update on Public Works related issues. The Mayor thanked Public Works Director Gilles for his assistance on Friday night regarding a Main Street building issue. Public Works Director Gilles gave an update on the Corral sewer line collapse last week. Lifeguards have been hired for the Swimming Pool. Swim lesson dates will be coming out in the next few weeks. Spring Clean-up began this week. There are some maintenance issues that will be worked on in the next couple of weeks. Fire hydrant flushing will be this week and next week.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the vouchers presented #27794 – 27820 in the amount of \$71,822.41. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The next meeting is the Regular Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Gilles at 8:19 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Angela Morgan, City Clerk