

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 28, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Patrick J. Milliren
Roll Call: Present – Council Members Gilles, Hartung, Hooker, Roesler, and Schneider. Absent: Council Member Schofield. Also: Administrator Rasmussen, City Clerk Morgan, and Police Chief Ridgeway were also in attendance. Absent: Public Works Director Gilles, 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 Schneider to adopt the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Presentation by Sheriff Wener regarding Pepin County K-9 Unit. The K-9 dog that they will be receiving will have drug training, search and rescue, and Police dog training. They are planning on having the dog in service by the end of this year.

Public Comment: None

Scheduled Appearances: None

Consent Agenda: The City Council Members reviewed the Regular Council Meeting minutes from April 14, 2021 and bartender license for Trevor J Radle at Cobblestone Inn & Suites. Motion by Council Member Hartung, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes from April 14, 2021 and bartender license for Trevor J Radle at Cobblestone Inn & Suites as presented under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Hearings: A public hearing was called to order at 6:53 pm. by Mayor Milliren to consider any public input regarding the rezoning of parcel #216-00345-0000 Accola Gallery at 502 – 2nd Avenue East from General Business (B-2) to Residential (R-1). No one was present to speak against the Ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:54 pm.

Business Agenda - Mayor's Report: Mayor Milliren gave an update of the City events. The City of Durand Board of Review was completed earlier today. The Mayor and City Administrator attended the Annual Rural Fire Department Meeting last night. A ladder truck was discussed, Chief King will be at a future meeting to present this purchase. The City Council Meetings will have more space for Meeting beginning in May.

Proclamation for Professional Municipal Clerks Week May 2 to May 8, 2021. Motion by Council Member Gilles, seconded by Council Member Hooker to support the Proclamation for Professional Municipal Clerks Week May 2nd to May 8th.

Administrators Report: The City Administrator gave an update of the City events. Administrator Rasmussen was discussing the need for upcoming meetings.

Discussion and possible action regarding the rezoning of parcel #216-00345-0000 Accola Gallery at 502 – 2nd Avenue East from General Business (B-2) to Residential (R-1). Motion by Council Member Hartung, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the rezoning of parcel #216-00345-0000 Accola Gallery at 502 – 2nd Avenue East from General Business (B-2) to Residential (R-1). All in favor. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Safety – Police Department: Chief Ridgeway gave an update on the Police Department. Police Chief Ridgeway is attempting to get a delivery date on the new squad car. The Police Department will be working on Property Maintenance violations in the next few weeks.

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

Ambulance Department: Ambulance Director Miller was not able to attend the meeting.

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: R. Kiviniemi was present to discuss the upcoming Street project. The 3rd Avenue E project has begun this week, barricades are up, asphalt removal and tree removal has begun. The project timeline was mailed out to the residents.

Public Works/Utilities: Public Works Director Gilles gave an update of the Public Works Department. Spring Clean up has begun, the pick up will be begin next week and completed by May 9th. The piles will not be picked up if they are not compliant with the rules. The parks will be opening the end of next week and the following week.

Discussion and possible action regarding the curb and gutter on Drier Street Project. The contractor would need to purchase a special tool to create the suggested rolled curb. The gutter inlets would not fit with the suggested rolled curb. They addressed a residence with a unique driveway issue. There is an Ordinance in place that limits the width of the driveway. The driveway width will be discussed at a future Council Meeting. No action was taken on the curb and gutter on Drier Street Project.

Tarrant Park Swimming Pool update. The swimming pool water test has begun, there are a few more tests that need to be completed. We received 20 applications, 10 for Lifeguard and 10 for bathhouse, we had 7 that returned our calls for Lifeguarding. We have hired 3 of the 10 for bathhouse. We only have 2 applicants that have WSI licensed guards. Lessons will have to be determined at a later date.

Closed Session: Motion to go into closed session at 7:38 pm by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Gilles pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e). Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion to go back into open session by Council Member Gilles, seconded by Council Member Hartung. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Gilles, seconded by Council Member Hooker to approve the vouchers presented #26897 – 26918 in the amount of \$41,725.24, payroll for April 2, 2021 in the amount of \$30,605.56, payroll for April 16, 2021 in the amount of \$25,888.51, and payroll for April 30, 2021 in the amount of \$24,527.87. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried

The next meeting is a Finance Meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm, and the Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Hartung, seconded by Council Member Schneider at 8:14 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Angela Morgan, City Clerk