

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 12, 2023

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

Roll Call: Present – Council Members Hayden, Hooker, Menke, Roesler, Weisenbeck, and Weishapple. Also Present: Administrator Rasmussen, City Clerk Morgan, and Public Works Director Gilles, Ambulance Co-Director Bignell, and Fire Chief King. Absent: Police Chief Ridgeway, and Ambulance Co-Director Doughty. Due and proper notice of meeting was confirmed.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Council Member Hayden and seconded by Council Member Weishapple to adopt the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: None

Scheduled Appearances: M. Norby was present to discuss the future of Funfest. He would like to discuss the parking lots that are selling and its effect on Funfest. They will schedule a meeting with the City Administrator.

K Hartung asked about how the festival was handled when it was at Tarrant Park. They are on a timeline with booking the event in the next few months.

Consent Agenda: The City Council Members reviewed the Regular Council Meeting minutes from June 28, 2023 and bartender licenses for Dartagnan Sinclair at Cobblestone Inn & Suites, and Grace C Weber at Cell Block. Motion by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Weisenbeck to approve Regular Council Meeting minutes from June 28, 2023, and bartender licenses for Dartagnan Sinclair at Cobblestone Inn & Suites, and Grace C Weber at Cell Block as presented under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Hearings: A public hearing was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Mayor Milliren to consider any public input relating to the Rezoning the currently vacant lots on the 300 block of 2nd Avenue E (Parcels # 216-00245-0000 and 216-00244-0000) from the current B-1 Central Business District to R-1 One & Two Family Residential. C. Haldeman was present to discuss the rental properties that they would like to build on the two sites. Seeing that no one wishes to address the Council on the Rezoning the currently vacant lots on the 300 block of 2nd Avenue E (Parcels # 216-00245-0000 and 216-00244-0000) from the current B-1 Central Business District to R-1 One & Two Family Residential, Mayor Milliren closed the hearing at 6:42 p.m.

Business Agenda - Mayor's Report: Mayor Milliren gave an update of City events. The Mayor gave an update on the Tarrant Park Swimming Pool Project. There will be a meeting with some local contractors.

Administrator's Report: Administrator Rasmussen gave an update on City events. Administrator Rasmussen gave an update on the Municipal aide, the full amount will be in 2024. If you have any concerns with lawns within the City, please contact him.

Discussion and possible action regarding Zoning variance Rezoning the current vacant lots on the 300 block of 2nd Avenue E (Parcels #216-00245-0000 and 216-00244-0000) from the current B-1 Central Business District to R-1 One & Two Family Residential. S. Bauer discussed the need for rental properties in Durand. Motion by Council Member Hayden, seconded by Council Member Roesler to approve the Rezoning the current vacant lots on the 300 block of 2nd Avenue E (Parcels

#216-00245-0000 and 216-00244-0000) from the current B-1 Central Business District to R-1 One & Two Family Residential. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried

Discussion and possible action regarding a Tobacco License for Dollar General at 1106 E. Prospect Street. Motion by Council Member Weishapple, seconded by Council Member Hooker to approve a Tobacco License for Dollar General at 1106 E. Prospect Street. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

Public Safety – Police Department: Police Chief Ridgeway was not able to attend the meeting.

Fire Department: Fire Chief King gave an update on the Fire Department. They hired 3 new members this month.

Ambulance Department: Co-Directors Doughty & Bignell was present to give an update. 26 calls, 3 missed calls. Mayor Milliren thanked the Ambulance staff on their professionalism during a recent serious accident. He received many positive comments.

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: Engineer R. Kiviniemi gave an update on the current 12th Avenue E Street project. He gave an update on the upcoming Madison Street design plan. Council Member Roesler gave an update from the Public Works Committee Meeting earlier today.

Public Works/Utilities: Public Works Director Gilles gave an update of the Public Works Department. He discussed the Storm Sewer collapse on the corner of 3rd Avenue E. This collapse is in a spot that does not have a manhole. The repairs will begin next week, this is not an easy fix, there is not an easy access point for this collapse. 3rd Avenue will be blocked off in this area while repairs are being completed. The second session of swimming lessons will begin on Monday.

Closed Session: Motion to go into closed session at 7:09 pm by Council Member Weisenbeck, seconded by Council Member Weishapple pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(c) and Wis. Stat 9.82(1)(f) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data and further for the considering of financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations of any public employee over which the City Council has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion to go back into open session by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Menke at 7:38 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

No action taken.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Weisenbeck, seconded by Council Member Menke to approve the vouchers presented #28884 – 28917 in the amount of \$122,121.53. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The next City Council Meeting is the City Council Meeting on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Hayden, seconded by Council Member Menke at 7:42 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.