

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
December 29, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Patrick J. Milliren
Roll Call: Present – Council Members Gilles, Hartung, Hooker, Roesler, Schneider, and Schofield.
Also: Administrator Rasmussen, City Clerk Morgan, Public Works Director Gilles, and Police Chief Ridgeway, and Fire Chief King were also in attendance. Council Member Roesler had to leave early at 6:45 pm. Absent: Ambulance Director Miller. Due and proper notice of meeting was confirmed.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Council Member Hartung and seconded by Council Member Roesler 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 December 8, 2021. Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Hooker to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes from December 8, 2021 as presented under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Business Agenda - Mayor's Report: Mayor Milliren gave an update of the City events. The Mayor thanked Matt Gilles, his staff, and Jeric Jereczek for their efforts to repair the water leak on Christmas morning. Happy New Year.

Administrators Report: The City Administrator gave an update of the City events. Administrator Rasmussen stated that City Hall is closed on Friday, December 31, 2021, drop your payment in the outside payment box and they will be entered in for 2021. The deadline for nomination papers is Tuesday, January 4, 2022 by 5:00 pm.

Discussion and possible action regarding Reconsideration of Preliminary Special Assessments for the Drier Street and Laneville Avenue Project. First motion by Council Member Schofield to go forward with the Special Assessments, No second. First motion dead. Second motion by Council Member Roesler, seconded by Council Member Gilles to not go forward with the Preliminary Special Assessments for the Drier Street and Laneville Avenue Project, except for any additional work that was requested by the property owners outside the scope of the project. Roll Call Vote: Roesler aye, Gilles aye, Schofield nay, Hartung abstain, Hooker abstain, and Schneider abstain – 2 ayes, 1 nay, and 3 abstain. Motion carried.

Finance Meeting will be meeting in January to discuss the funding for the Drier Street/Laneville Avenue project. ARPA Funding will be discussed.

Public Safety – Police Department: Chief Ridgeway gave an update of the Police Department. Chief Ridgeway thanked his staff for working on the Christmas holiday.

Fire Department: Fire Chief King gave an update of the Fire Department. Fire Chief King said that the Santa Candy Cane event went very well.

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

Public Works/Utilities: Engineer's Report: R. Kiviniemi was not able to attend the meeting.

Public Works/Utilities: Public Works Director Gilles gave an update of the Public Works

Department. Public Works Director Gilles discussed the water main break on Saturday, December 25, 2021. The leak was detected very quickly and everything went smoothly with the repair. About 8 homes were without water for roughly 1 ½ hours. Mitch Gilbertson is the new Public Works Supervisor. Steve Gilbertson's last day will be January 7, 2022. The open Public Works Trainee position deadline for applications is Thursday, December 30, 2021. The street lights that we have been waiting on, are to be shipped in the middle of January. Public Works Director Gilles also discussed the snow plowing process in the City. Sidewalk shoveling was discussed and door hanger notices that will be used.

Vouchers: Motion by Council Member Schofield, seconded by Council Member Gilles to approve the vouchers presented #27478 - 27518 in the amount of \$59,118.31, payroll for November 26, 2021 in the amount of \$25,616.11, payroll for December 10, 2021 in the amount of \$26,622.56, and payroll for December 24, 2021 in the amount of \$40,265.85. Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried

The next meeting is a Regular Council Meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Council Member Hooker, seconded by Council Member Gilles at 7:16 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Angela Morgan, City Clerk