

Via Teleconference  
7:00 P.M. October 6, 2020

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Carlson, Lamb, Swanson, Kolodge, Langley, Wilkinson, Mayor Maki

Councilors Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

### **AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve the October 6, 2020 agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2020 as presented. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Swanson seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of October 6, 2020, approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

- a. Resolution No. 20-66, Authorizing the Payment of Bills and Payroll
- b. Resolution No. 20-67, Authorizing Participation in the Towards Zero Deaths (TZD) Grant
- c. Resolution No. 20-68, Appointing Election Judges for the General Election
- d. On-Sale Liquor Sales at Northwoods Arena
- e. Disposal of Surplus Equipment
- f. Approval of Off-Site Gambling Permit – Wood City Riders Snowmobile Club

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

City Administrator Peterson announced now is the time and place for the public hearing on the proposed 14th Street utility reconstruction project. Due to the public hearing being virtual, City Council will act at the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting so the public has more time to comment.

John Anderson, Assistant Public Works Director, gave an overview of the utility work to be completed. Mr. Anderson explained due to the size of the project, it will take place over 2 construction seasons. If council decides to proceed with the project, it will begin spring of 2021 with an assessment hearing in 2022.

Dan Hinzmann from SEH provided background and an overview of the project that included the roadway design, utility design and overall construction impacts.

City Administer Peterson explained this project will utilize sales tax dollars.

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to open the public hearing on the proposed 14<sup>th</sup> Street utility reconstruction project. The motion carried unanimously (7-0). The time is 7:40 p.m.

No public comments were received prior to the meeting and one comment during the meeting regarding detour sign placement. No further public comments were made.

**MOTION:** After hearing no further public comments, Councilor Kolodge moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to close the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously (7-0). The time is 7:42.

**MOTION:** Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to table action on proceeding with the project until the October 20, 2020 meeting so further public comments could be received. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

### **PUBLIC WORKS POSITION APPOINTMENTS**

**MOTION:** Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Lamb seconded the motion to approve the one year probationary appointment of Caleb Maki to the position of Qualified Pumphouse Operator; Kevin Rice to the position of Qualified Pumphouse Operator-Relief; and Wayne Modrow to the position of Truck Driver/Maintenance in the Public Works Department effective October 12, 2020. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **SALES TAX PROJECT DISCUSSION**

Administrator Peterson explained the option of seeking an additional .5% sales tax to fund future ice arena improvements along with other potential projects at Pine Valley. Since the last sales tax bill, State rules to see such funding have changed and now require project specific funding with regional impacts. Mr. Peterson reviewed a list of potential qualifying projects for the ice arena and Pine Valley as a whole. Council members agreed to move forward with seeking the additional .5% sales tax.

### **IN PERSON MEETING DISCUSSION**

Administrator Peterson asked for Council input on moving back to in-person meetings. Council would like to continue virtual meetings and bring back for further discussion in November.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPDATES**

Candidate forum will take place on October 21<sup>st</sup> via live streaming through the city's website.

City Hall hours have gone back to regular hours, 7:30-4:00.

Administrator Peterson asked for Council's feedback on the Home for the Holidays parade and fireworks. Due to COVID-19, Council agreed cancelling both parade and fireworks is in the best interest of the health and safety of the community.

Councilor Lamb noted the vacancy on the CAFD Board.

On a motion duly carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call, the Council adjourned.

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Tim Peterson, City Administrator