

Council Meeting 11/01/2021

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

Meeting: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Mayor John Ryan

Council Present: Ryan, Moore, Shreve, Seals, & Sitz

Council Absent: Lister

Atty DeVoe absent

Employees: Bretsnyder, Seals, A Shreve,

Visitors: Holly Hinck, Kelli Moore, Ashton Traphagen, Talisha Traphagen, Gary Rush, Linda Seastrom, Pat Cox, Ruben Seastrom, Elizabeth Oliver, and Wade Bowie

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Mayor John Ryan.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes for the council meeting on 10/18/2021 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Seals, 2nd by Sitz to approve the minutes as corrected, motion carried.

Old Business

Park Master Plan- Pat Cox from BG Consultants presented information about the steps and suggestions for a masterplan for the city park area. The price for a master plan can be \$5000 and up. Pat suggested that we have a couple formal hearings to get the community's input. Pat also suggested that the masterplan be a living document that be revisited yearly. Motion for first public hearing on November 22, 2021 at 7:00pm at City Hall by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Linda Seastrom Parking- Linda was concerned about the street by her house and the parking. Ruben stated that they were told that they owned to the stop sign. Mayor advised that it would need to be surveyed to know exactly where the line lies. He advised that there is an 80-foot street easement.

Ruben asked about condition of alley and the cars speeding through. He asked about placing a stop sign and was advised that they need to report the incidents to the police station.

Ashton Traphagen stated he would pay for gravel to be placed on Linda's side of the street to help lessen the muddiness. He also advised that the street would be busier in January/February when the café opens. Council did commend Ashton on the parking looking better on his side since the last council meeting.

Kelli Moore/City Signs- Kelli advised the council that the metal legs for signs are being donated, and the original cost of the signs has been brought down from \$6800 to \$1220. Motion to use the \$1220 out of the general fund with the understanding that the donations will go back to cover the cost by Shreve, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

Library

Heather Garrison reported for the library. She stated that they had 682 visitors last month and a great turn out for the costume contest. The library also paid for the sign with memorial funds and received a grant for \$25000 for outdoor equipment.

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve to enter into executive session at 8:04pm for 60 minutes for personnel matter of non-elected personnel, discussion on specific personnel matters, not general personnel policies to interview for the city attorney position. Motion carried.

Extension for executive session at 8:34pm for 30 minutes.

Extension for executive session at 9:04pm for 30 minutes

Mayor declared executive session out at 9:34pm

Sitz stated they were in executive session for 120 minutes with no decisions made.

Police

It was determined that 4 candidates will interview Monday, November 8, 2021 at 7:00pm at City Hall for the full-time police officer position.

Sitz motioned that the police department have a budget of \$5000 to complete the police department 2nd by Shreve.

There was discussion and concern from Moore about the electrical. It was advised that Terry Poley would be in during the week to inspect the wiring.

Motion carried; Seals abstained.

MAINTENANCE

Council was advised that the cooper internet being discontinued after next year and information was provided for a contract from AT&T to install fiber internet. Motion to have Fiber based internet installed at the water plant by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve. Motion carried.

An estimate was provided to the council for the block window repairs at the North bathrooms. Council requested clerk to find out if a claim can be put through with insurance company and to ask Dustin to gather two more bids.

Other Business:

City Hall Signs: Motion to order City Hall signs through Knox by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, withdrawn.

There was discussion on the location of the signs and the amount.

Motion to table until next meeting by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve. Motion carried.

Motion to allow staff to take off the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve but must use comp or vacation time to cover it by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve,

There was discussion on the use of comp time.

Motion carried.

Motion to pay all approved bills by Seals, 2nd by Sitz motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 10:25pm by Seals, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.