

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 13th day of July 2021.

Council present: Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Karen Ruechel.

Council absent: Brian Anderson, Paul Kirtz

Council Member Michael Cherney presided over the meeting.

### **Agenda:**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve the City Council meeting agenda. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Timecards:**

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the June time cards. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

The new roof on City Hall was completed for \$47,150.00 which came in under the initial bid of \$55,785.00. St. Croix Log Homes did have a supplemental invoice of \$575.00 for work done on the roof that was not included on the initial bid.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve the payment of the supplemental invoice in the amount of \$575.00. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None

After looking into all his possibilities, Rick Hinz has decided until a more financially feasible option becomes available, he will not be connecting to the City of Adam's sewer and water.

Angie Himebaug, the City's grant writer, attended the meeting to inform the council that the City received a \$75,000.00 grant from the State of MN to be used exclusively for improvements at the Adams City Park. She also talked about future grant opportunities, reaching out to the community to gather input about needs for future endeavors and collaborating with other communities.

### **Police Report:**

No business to report

### **Fire Department Report:**

No business to report

**Maintenance Department Report:**

Watermain boring and installation of new water services was completed on 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Still waiting for blacktop to be replaced. The storm pond has been completed at the North Side Park 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition. Gas and electric utilities will be installed next. The hydrant South of the Southland High School was moved to the East and the project went well.

**Approval of Bills:**

The bills payable for June were reviewed by the City Council.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve payment of the bills as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Financial Report:**

The city clerk presented the May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 financial statements.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the financial statement as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Prairie Visions Report:**

No business to report.

**Jensen Excavating & Trucking Payment App #3:**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve Jensen Excavating & Trucking Payment App #3 in the amount of \$257,724.42 for the North Side Park 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition Project. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None

**Building Permits:**

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve a building permit to Thor Lottin for a 4' high dog fence to be installed in his back yard at 304 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Metronet Contract:**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to extend the contract with Metronet with the City of Adams from 36 months to 60 months due to the high costs of bringing the services to the buildings operated by the city. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Metronet Franchise Agreement:**

The city clerk talked to Steve Hovey, the city attorney, about looking over the franchise agreement sent from Metronet. Steve recommended the City of Adams talk to Brian Grogan an attorney at law with Moss & Barnett, a law firm out of the Twin Cities, about this matter because Mr. Grogan had helped the City of Austin in its franchise agreement with Metronet, and Mr. Hovey thought that Mr. Grogan was more knowledgeable in this particular area. Mr. Grogan sent an engagement letter to accept the terms of working with the Moss & Barnett. This matter was tabled until the next council meeting on 7/27/2021.

No further business.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer