

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
DECEMBER 15, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Pearson. Participating via video: Councilmembers Justin Bloyer, Dale Dorschner, Lisa McGinn and Christine Nelson

Staff present: Administrator Handt, Assistant Administrator Dickson, City Attorney Sonsalla, City Engineer Griffin, City Clerk Johnson. Participating via video: Planning Director Roberts, and Public Works Director Powers.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, moved TO AMEND THE PRIMARY MOTION BY TABLING ITEM 28, "TARGETING RESIDENTIAL PICKETING ORDINANCE" AND MOVE ITEM 6, "ACCEPT NOVEMBER 2020 SHERIFF REPORT" TO THE REGULAR AGENDA. Motion passed 4 – 1 (Pearson – nay).

Primary motion passed 5 - 0.

ACCEPT MINUTES

Minutes of the December 1, 2020 Regular Meeting were accepted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/INQUIRIES

None

PRESENTATIONS

Public Works employee Joe Effinger was recognized for his five years of service to the City. Public Works employee Rick Gustafson was recognized for his thirty years of service to the City.

City Administrator Handt presented appreciation award to Mayor Pearson and outgoing Councilmembers Justin Bloyer and Christine Nelson.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approve Payment of Disbursements
3. Accept November 2020 Building Department Report

4. Accept November 2020 Public Works Department Report
5. Accept November 2020 Fire Department Report
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7. Approve 2021 Pay Scale
8. Approve 2021 Pay Structure for Paid on Call Firefighters
9. Approve 2021 Regular Meeting Schedule
10. Authorize Certification of Delinquent Utility Bills – *Resolution 2020-099*
11. Approve Joint Powers Agreement for Establishment of Metro-Inet
12. Adopt Resolution Declaring Polling Locations for 2021 – *Resolution 2020-101*
13. Approve Animal Impound Contract with Otter Lake Animal Care Center
14. Approve Hire of Paid on Call Firefighters
15. Approve Leo A Daly Agreement
16. Approve H&U Agreement
17. Approve Pay Request No. 5 for Stonegate Addition Street and Utility Improvements
18. Approve Compensating Change Order No. 2 for Well No. 5 Connecting Watermain
19. Approve Pay Request No. 4 (FINAL) for Well No. 5 Connecting Watermain
20. Approve Pay Request No. 3 for Pumphouse No. 5
21. Approve Cooperative Agreement Payment No. 2 for Inwood-5th Street Traffic Signal Improvements
22. Approve Geotechnical Services Contract for 2021 Street Maintenance Projects
23. Authorize Engineering Services for Water Tower No. 3 Preliminary Design and Water System Planning/Modeling
24. Approve Washington County SHIP Grant Application Submittal

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 - 0.

ITEM 25: Approve Plans and Specifications for Old Village Phase 5 Street and Utility Improvements

City Engineer Griffin presented the proposed plans and specifications for the Old Village Phase 5 project. Discussion was held regarding runoff and parking.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-105, APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR THE OLD VILLAGE PHASE 5 AND 6 STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 26: Approve Amended Feasibility Report; Declare Costs to be Assessed and Call for Hearing on Assessment for the Heritage Farms Street and Utility Improvements

City Engineer Griffin provided an overview of the amended feasibility report for the Heritage Farms project, discussing the bids, project costs and preliminary assessment figures.

Councilmember McGinn, seconded by Councilmember Bloyer, moved TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-102 RECEIVING THE AMENDED FEASIBILITY REPORT FOR THE HERITAGE FARMS STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND CALLING HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 19, 2021. Motion passed 5 – 0.

Councilmember McGinn, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-103 DECLARING COST TO BE ASSESSED AND CALLING HEARING ON PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR THE HERITAGE FARMS STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 19, 2021. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 27: Approve Feasibility Report & Call for Improvement Hearing - Tamarack Farm Estates Street Improvements

City Engineer Griffin presented the feasibility report for the proposed Tamarack Farm Estates project.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-104, RECEIVING THE FEASIBILITY REPORT AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE TAMARACK FARM ESTATES STREET IMPROVEMENTS. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 29: 2021 LMCIT RENEWAL

Assistant Administrator Dickson reviewed the information regarding tort limits for the 2021 renewal.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT \$1,000 DEDUCTIBLE FOR THE CITY'S PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE AND AUTHORIZE ELECTION TO NOT WAIVE THE STATUTORY TORT LIMITS. Motion passed 5 – 0.

ITEM 6: November 2020 Sheriff's Report

Councilmember Dorschner commented on the number of calls in the parks and the expense of patrolling parks with areas that are not readily visible.

Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO ACCEPT THE NOVEMBER 2020 SHERIFF'S REPORT. Motion passed 5 – 0.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Pearson: Thanked residents for supporting him during his tenure as Mayor.

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Councilmember Bloyer: Expressed well wishes for the incoming Councilmembers.

Councilmember Dorschner: Thanked outgoing Councilmembers for their service.

Councilmember McGinn: Thanked outgoing Councilmembers for their service.

Councilmember Nelson: Expressed well wishes for the incoming Councilmembers.

STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Handt: Accepting applications for Commissions and Committees.

City Attorney Sonsalla: Expressed well wishes for the incoming Councilmembers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.

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ATTEST:

Charles Cadenhead, Mayor

Julie Johnson, City Clerk