

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022 COLD SPRING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Heinen at 6:30 p.m. The following City Council members were found to be present: Mayor Dave Heinen and Council Members Mike Fall, Shannon Miller, Fran Ramler, and Doug Schmitz. Absent: none. Others present: Brigid Murphy, Jon Stueve, Brian Lintgen, Dan Weber, Jason Blum and Joe Jelovnick. Present by video: Mark Golding.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION WAS MADE BY MILLER, SECONDED BY FALL, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE FEBRUARY 22, 2022 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes – February 8, 2022 Regular Meeting

B. Resolution No. 2022-05 Declaring Surplus Property

C. Nicholas P. Koenig HERO Foundation, LG220 Application for Exempt Permit, Raffle to be Held April 8, 2022 at The Great Blue Heron

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY MILLER, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT

Stueve stated that they have been busy plowing the roads. He stated that they got some salt from MnDOT since the load from Cargill won't arrive tomorrow.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

A. Project Update

Lintgen stated that the roof and piping work is continuing at the Water Treatment Plant. Lintgen stated that they are wrapping up the 100% plans for the Industrial Pre-Treatment Plant. Lintgen stated that the contracts and shop drawings are done for the Stand Pipe Water Tower and there will likely be a preconstruction meeting in the next couple weeks.

B. 2022 Brewery Sanitation Sewer Design and Construction Services Scope and Fee

Lintgen presented the design and construction services scope for the Brewery Sanitation Sewer project.

Lintgen explained that instead of drilling under the Sauk River for piping to the wastewater plant, a utility bridge is being planned since the Department of Natural Resources directed that the least environmentally impactful solution should be used for the project. Murphy explained that the costs for the project are being paid entirely by the Brewery through direct payment and user rates. Councilor Fall mentioned some stormwater drainage issues along 2nd Street North that should be addressed when the road is torn up for the construction project.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY FALL, TO APPROVE THE 2022 BREWERY SANITARY SEWER DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES SCOPE AND FEE. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Weber reported that they have responded to 33 calls since February 1st. He stated that there was a house fire that the department responded to this month. He stated that they have received no firefighter applications for the open positions. Councilor Schmitz inquired when Unit #15 will be sold and Chief Weber stated that he will work with Murphy to get it on the next agenda.

COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION STUDY UPDATE

Mark Goldberg from David Drown and Associates provided background information on the firm and presented the project overview and objectives. Goldberg then presented the comparison cities for the Market Study. The Council directed Goldberg to remove the City of Becker from the comparison list due to their tax capacity being too large, all other cities listed were agreed to be kept including those listed that have Class A Water Treatment Plants. Later, Murphy stated that she would make sure that longevity pay is also a factor being considered in the comparisons study.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**A. Monthly Reports**

Chief Blum presented a monthly report on the calls for service for the month of January.

B. Request to Purchase Body Worn Camera and Accessory Equipment

Chief Blum stated that the public hearing on the body worn cameras in the City of Richmond went well. He reminded the Council that a matching grant was awarded for the purchase, so half of the costs will be reimbursed.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RAMLER, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF BODY WORN CAMERAS AND ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT FROM WATCHGUARD VIDEO/MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS AT A COST OF \$8,096.40 ANNUALLY FOR FIVE YEARS, AND FURTHERMORE, TO BE PAID FOR OUT OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET LINE ITEM #6413. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

C. Community Policing Agreement Update

Chief Blum stated that the next meeting will be March 9th at 5:30 pm. He stated that the agreement will likely be ready to be signed in April.

D. Other

Councilor Fall inquired about the Police Service Contract with the City of Richmond. Chief Blum stated that the contract goes through the end of this year and that discussions will be coming in the next months.

Councilor Fall stated that the approximately \$190,000 per year the City of Richmond is currently paying should be increased by about \$100,000.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**A. Highway 23 Coalition Annual Meeting**

Murphy explained that the annual meeting will be held on March 25th. She stated that three complimentary tickets were given to the City and that other city officials can also attend at a cost of \$20.00 per ticket. She stated she would need to know who would like to attend the meeting.

B. Resolution No. 2022-06, a Resolution Reestablishing the Precinct and Polling Place for the City of Cold Spring for 2022 Elections

Murphy stated that due to redistricting within the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, all precincts and polling places must be reestablished.

MOTION WAS MADE BY FALL, SECONDED BY SCHMITZ, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-06, A RESOLUTION REESTABLISHING THE PRECINCT AND POLLING PLACE FOR THE CITY OF COLD SPRING. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

COMMISSION UPDATES**A. Planning Commission**

Councilor Fall stated that the update to the Comprehensive Plan was discussed and that they are looking forward to the report on it.

B. EDA

Councilors Ramler and Schmitz stated that they held elections for positions which resulted in Chairperson – Jim Kraemer, Vice Chairperson – Vicki Fall, Treasurer – Bill Molitor, Secretary – Brigid Murphy. They also discussed the possibility of a marina with boat slips for the river, the anticipated daycare building on Main Street, and the project area for grant money from the Initiative Fund.

C. Park Board

Councilor Schmitz stated that they also talked about the marina. Murphy stated that the Cold Spring Area Baseball Association is in the process of putting together an improvement request for the construction of a

Field House. She stated they have an opportunity where if they raise \$2 million for the project, they can receive an additional \$3 million towards the costs.

D. Rocori Trail

Schmitz stated that they did not meet.

LIST OF BILLS AND ADDITIONS

MOTION WAS MADE BY FALL, SECONDED BY MILLER, TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACCORDING TO THE LIST TOTALING \$97,629.74 AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST TOTALING \$18,087.78 AS PRESENTED BY CITY STAFF. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHMITZ, SECONDED BY FALL, TO ADJOURN AT 7:50 P.M., SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL. MOTION PASSED 5-0.

David Heinen, Mayor

Brigid Murphy, City Administrator