

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 6:30PM. Meeting was conducted via “Zoom” conference call. The City of Worthington reserves the right that the order of the agenda is at the discretion of the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor, Gary Langel, called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with roll call: Ron Leuchs, Marty Marugg, Steve Engler, Tony Lueck. Chris Smock. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Pubic Works), Mike Lansing (Water/wastewater Operator), Sue Burger (Memorial Hall Manager), Rick Wolfe (Fire Chief/Resident).

<u>FUND-APRIL.</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
GENERAL	\$45,324.56	\$12,517.97
MEMORIAL HALL	\$237.14	\$2,037.16
ROAD USE TAX	\$3,176.35	\$2,297.38
TIF	\$17,664.46	\$21,387.22
WATER	\$4,274.50	\$2,438.93
URBAN RENEWAL	\$21,387.22	\$0
SEWER	\$6,595.08	\$5,216.27
LOCAL OPTION	\$4,104.03	\$7,525.54

Motion by Smock, seconded by Marugg to approve the agenda. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed the consent agenda which consisted of minutes of 04/20/2020, April 2020 listing of bills to be paid, April 2020 Treasurer’s Report, building permits for Abby Davidshoffer, Al Schilling, Tami Macrow, and Nick and Lindsey Schueller, firework permits for Missy Kremer and Rick Wolfe, and The Last Straw Liquor License. Motion by R. Leuchs, seconded by T. Lueck to approve the consent agenda with the contingency that the Kremer firework permit is approved from June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 through July 6<sup>th</sup> 2020 and not all summer. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed the submitted citizen concerns. Roy Oberbroeckling’s concern stated that a culvert sticks out near his driveway and he would like it cut down to be flush with the curb. Council discussed that this would be included in the Water Looping Main Project. Motion by Marugg, seconded by T. Lueck to complete the cutting of the culvert during the water looping main project. Council reviewed and discussed the bonfire complaint. R. Leuchs advised he is relying on section in code: Title III Community Protection Chapter 2, Nuisances to support his complaint. This section reads as follows: “The term "nuisance" means whatever is injurious to health, indecent, or unreasonably offensive to the senses or an obstacle to the free use of property, so as essentially to unreasonably interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property.” R. Leuchs advised he is not able to open his windows due to odor of bonfire. T. Lueck stated if they are just burning wood, he would prefer not to press this issue as he wants to continue having bonfires at his residence. Engler added we cannot enforce an ordinance on one resident without enforcing the same ordinance on every offender and he would not support enforcing such concern. Langel advised he is leery about enforcing this considering the lawsuit we are battling from the enforcement of the Pit Bull ordinance but he would try talking with this resident about smell. Motion by Marugg, seconded by T. Lueck to have R. Leuchs and Langel speak with resident regarding smell of bonfire. R. Leuchs abstained from the vote due to conflict of interest. Ayes: Marugg, T. Lueck, Smock, Engler. Carried. Langel advised the vehicle concern on the agenda has been taken care of.

Council reviewed and discussed different options to implement cost of living wage increase for employees. Motion by T. Lueck, seconded by Smock for 3% raise for all employees. Formal resolution to follow at next regular meeting. Ayes: all, carried. T. Lueck inquired if there was a way employees documented where they spent the most of their time so payroll accurately

reflected where they should be paid from. Manternach advised there currently is not. T. Lueck suggested we start doing this and a document be provided to the council at month or year ends reflecting what departments employees spend the most of their time in.

Motion by R. Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to table de-activating emergency response plan.

Memorial Hall Update: Burger inquired if someone canceled their wedding and moved their wedding to a different venue next year, even if the Memorial Hall could accommodate the wedding, if the renter should get their deposit back. Council advised to add this item to the June agenda. Council discussed potentially allowing Not Quite Brothers to play at the Memorial Hall, and waiving the \$450 rental fee if they played for free, which would save the city \$1,200. The Hall would get the bar bill and the band would get the cover at the door. Motion by Smock, seconded by T. Lueck to waive hall rental for Not Quite Brothers, it be a 21 and over event, and bartenders check ID. Ayes: all, carried.

Water/Wastewater Update: Lansing advised he is working with the Utilities Committee regarding a potential easement issue and will have more information by the following meeting.

Public Works: Hosch inquired on removal of earth behind the city shop. Council agreed to level it out a little bit more but leave the cement slabs near the creek so the bank doesn't wash away.

Motion by Engler, seconded by T. Lueck to schedule a special meeting to review plans for water looping main project on Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30PM. Ayes: all, carried.

Motion by Marugg, seconded by Smock to allow Kay Risser to attend city sponsored events free of charge so she can write about event in the city column. Ayes: all, carried.

Motion by R. Leuchs, seconded by T. Lueck to approve RESOLUTION #2020-21: A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET WHICH RUNS JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020. Roll call. Ayes: R. Leuchs, T. Lueck, Smock, Engler, Marugg. Carried.

Motion by Marugg, seconded by T. Lueck to adjourn at 7:53PM. Ayes: all, carried.