

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 6:30PM. 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. Absent: Chris Smock. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Pubic Works), Sue Burger (Memorial Hall Manager), Stacie Tobin (Librarian), Kay Risser (Resident), Janet Simpson (Resident), Beatrice and Vincent Averkamp (Residents).

<u>FUND-JAN.</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
GENERAL	\$16,245.42	\$26,333.67
MEMORIAL HALL	\$2,564.86	\$945.27
ROAD USE TAX	\$3,708.20	\$2,952.43
TIF	\$	\$4,201.10
WATER	\$5,125.58	\$5,418.67
URBAN RENEWAL	\$4,201.10	\$0
SEWER	\$6,602.57	\$2,915.91
LOCAL OPTION	\$4,863.64	\$10,075.14

Motion by Lueck, seconded by Marugg to approve the agenda. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed minutes of 01/20/2020, January 2020 listing of bills to be paid, January 2020 Treasurer’s Report, Keith and Bobbi Jo March building permits (#1327 and #1328), Athletic Association Liquor License Renewal, 02/05/2020 Emergency Management Commission Meeting (Ron Leuchs), and 03/19/2020 ECIA-Council Effectiveness meeting (Ron Leuchs, Gary Langel). Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Engler to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: all, carried.

Citizen Concerns: Averkamps addressed council and inquired if they could set a shipping container on the East side of their residence for storage purposes if they sided or painted the exterior. Langel stated, per previous correspondence with the city attorney and previous meeting with the nuisance committee, that the city’s stance is that a shipping container would fall under the first section of the nuisance code, Title III, Chapter 2, Section 3-2-1, “nuisances declared”. Leuchs added he did not agree with adding any (shipping containers) to town. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Lueck to deny the use of shipping containers in city limits. Ayes: Leuchs, Lueck, Marugg. Nays: Engler. Carried.

Memorial Hall Updates: Burger advised Winterfest went well and is working on finding enough bartenders for the Not Quite Brothers Event on Feb. 29, 2020. Burger also stated she has 17 weddings booked for 2020 and 5 weddings booked for 2021 so far.

Library Updates: Tobin advised she has been looking online for things to do for kids for a library program but advised she isn’t sure about what age range kids we will have. Manternach suggested we could do a poll on Facebook to narrow down which families in town would have their children participate in this program, and then go from there. Tobin advised she would get this poll going. Tobin also confirmed Saturdays are the slowest of the three days open. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Marugg to reduce hours on Saturdays to take effect immediately. Ayes: all, carried.

Public Works Update: Hosch inquired what the council’s final decision was with the new dump truck regarding making a larger door at the city shop or trading it off for a 550 truck. Hosch advised it needs to be started with ether on colder days since it is in cold storage. Leuchs stated that isn’t normal and the City should have Nick Kamp look at it. Council concluded that we budgeted to keep it in cold storage for the next fiscal year.

Council reviewed Manternach's requested time off. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Marugg to approve vacation from June 22<sup>nd</sup>-June 25<sup>th</sup> and the council meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed \$200 request for second hand desk for city hall. Council agreed to provide \$300 allowance on desk, and have Manternach get desk approved by Langel prior to purchase.

Council discussed difference in code regarding allowable grass height of 7 inches in one section and 8 inches in another section. Council also discussed difference in code regarding allotted time to shovel after snow accumulation as it stated 24 hours in one section and 48 hours in another section. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Marugg to start process of amending ordinance to allow 8-inch grass height. Ayes: all, carried. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to start process of amending ordinance to allow 48 hours for allocated time to shovel sidewalks after snow accumulation. Ayes: all, carried.

Resolutions/Ordinances: Motion by Marugg, seconded by Leuchs to approve RESOLUTION #2020-08: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COMMISSIONERS TO THE EASTERN IOWA REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY FROM THE CITY OF WORTHINGTON, IOWA.

Ayes: Marugg, Leuchs, Lueck, Engler. Carried. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Engler to approve RESOLUTION #2020-09: A RESOLUTION INSTRUCTING THE CLERK TO PUBLISH NOTICE ON A CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FROM NEPA REVIEW. Ayes:

Lueck, Engler, Marugg, Leuchs. Carried. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to approve RESOLUTION #2020-10: A RESOLUTION PROPOSING AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF TITLE VI, SECTION 6-2-12, PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES. Ayes:

Leuchs, Marugg, Engler, Lueck. Carried. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Lueck to approve RESOLUTION #2020-11: A RESOLUTION PROPOSING AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF TITLE VI, SECTION 6-2-10, PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SEWER RATES. Ayes:

Marugg, Lueck, Engler, Leuchs. Carried. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Engler to approve RESOLUTION #2020-12: A RESOLUTION SETTING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLICITING WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMENTS ON THE CITY'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET. Ayes: Leuchs, Engler, Marugg, Lueck. Carried.

Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to adjourn at 7:36PM. Ayes: all, carried.

Minutes prepared by Lauren N. Manternach, City Clerk/Treasurer.