

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday, August 20, 2018.

Mayor, Bill Burger, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Roll call: Marty Marugg, Clarence Tuel, Kay Risser, Dan Feldmann. Steve Engler. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Public Works), Mike Lansing (Water/wastewater Operator), Jon Ramaekers. Motion by Feldmann, seconded by Risser to approve agenda. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed minutes of 08-06-2018, bills to be paid, treasurers report for the first part of August, #1311-St. Paul's building permit for parking lot. Motion by Tuel, seconded by Feldmann to approve consent agenda, noting that part of the ground for the building permit is still owned by Loras Wolfe. Ayes: all, carried. Citizen concerns: Ramaekers advised he is no longer interested in the lot adjacent to city hall to build on as his contractor advised it would take too much fill and wouldn't work with the type of building he is needing. Manternach advised council, if Ramaekers establishes the business in town without constructing a building, the city could still offer him something called a forgivable loan to entice him to establish his business within city limits. Manternach stated she will be following up with the city attorney to get additional information on the timeline and logistics of this. Water/wastewater update: Lansing advised we had a high TSS reading because our wastewater plant can only handle 100lbs of wastewater per day and we recently had 145lbs of wastewater come in due to heavy rains. Lansing advised this is not uncommon and is not concerned. Public Works update: Hosch advised someone took out the speed bumps in Memorial Park and is not sure who took them out. Council reviewed and discussed insurance for fire, wind, hail and vandalism on playground equipment. Motion by Feldmann, seconded by Risser to cover \$40,000 worth of playground equipment for an additional \$100.44/year. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed CSR report for city land/Dave Gogel land and discussed counter offer by Gogel of \$200/acre/year. Motion by Feldmann, seconded by Risser to counter the counteroffer at \$210/acre/year and gave Burger the power to negotiate. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed TIFing the old school with owner Jake Willey. Motion by Engler, seconded by Feldmann to decline \$84,000 upfront proposal from Jake Willey to TIF school for use of the playground equipment. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed ordinance and map for Worthington's Restricted Residence District. Council advised clerk to make an announcement that the Restricted Residence District map is ready to be viewed at city hall and will be reviewed and passed at the following council meeting. Council discussed Cynthia Harker tenant who is months late on water bill but we are unable to shut water off at curb due to it being an apartment. Council advised clerk to contact Cynthia Harker about what day she would like to come to Worthington to let us in the property to shut off the water. Council advised the sheriff will need to be contacted too. Manternach advised a committee is needed to review the final changes to the code of ordinances. Council determined Clarence Tuel, Kay Risser and Bill Burger would be on the committee to review the final changes to the Worthington Code of Ordinances. Council reviewed cost for building a pad and concrete walls for the yard waste collection and inquired if that money could come from the garbage fund as there was an additional one-time charge of \$1/account implemented last year on the monthly bills. Manternach advised this amount barley covers the charges to dump the yard waste and the money for the pad would have to come from a different account. Motion by Risser, seconded by Feldmann to use LOST money to construct pad and wall for yard waste collection. Ayes: all, carried. Motion by Feldmann, seconded by Marugg to adjourn at 8:15PM. Ayes: all, carried.

Minutes prepared by:

Lauren N. Manternach

City Clerk/Treasurer

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William H. Burger
Mayor of Worthington