

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday July 20th, 2020 6:30PM. Meeting was conducted via a 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 6:35PM with roll call: Ron Leuchs, Marty Marugg, Chris Smock. Steve Engler and Tony Lueck were absent. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Public Works), Mike Lansing (Water/wastewater Operator), Sue Burger (Memorial Hall Manager), Gary Conolly and Jackie Welter (residents).

<u>FUND-JUNE.</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
GENERAL	\$21,391.92	\$29,598.65
MEMORIAL HALL	\$295.03	\$4,575.82
ROAD USE TAX	\$1,632.27	\$2,946.21
TIF	\$13.20	\$13.20
WATER	\$7,076.49	\$2,868.38
URBAN RENEWAL	\$250.00	\$630.00
SEWER	\$6,242.26	\$3,146.57
LOCAL OPTION	\$4,819.71	\$4,819.71

Motion by Smock, seconded by Leuchs to approve the agenda. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed consent agenda which consisted of minutes of 06-16-2020, June 2020 listing of bills to be paid, June 2020 treasurer's report, and Frankie Nigh building permit. The treasurer's report in the published June 15th, 2020 minutes, should have said May instead of April. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Leuchs to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: all, carried.

Citizen Concerns: Manternach advised she received a call regarding ATVs speeding up and down 3rd Street West Court and citizen inquired if sign could be put up. Council advised clerk to tell citizen to call law enforcement for speeding purposes and Manternach added she would speak with one of the suspected offenders.

Memorial Hall: Burger advised weddings are now commencing. She added guests are crowding around the bar since the sneeze shield was raised the entire bar length. Langel advised some type of lane system might help alleviate the congestion and help guests stay appropriately spaced.

Public Works: Hosch advised a stump was ground up and put in the compost pile, Manternach responded that she told a citizen they could do that since it was ground and not a whole stump. Hosch advised he would follow up with Kluesner to see if that is okay in the future. Council discussed cleaning of the restrooms at the ballpark. Council agreed Hosch should clean restrooms out of ball season and Langel would follow up with citizen in town that might be interested in cleaning after games. Langel advised there was vandalism which occurred at the ballpark the week prior. A garbage can was broke, and reportedly the pitcher's mound was damaged due to it being watered down and used as a bike ramp. Council discussed possibility of getting more cameras in that area to monitor this. Langel followed up on the needed repairs from the fiber optic project. Hosch advised the holes have been filled throughout citizens yards and Darryl Ostwinkle was hired for the R&R of the concrete work and River City Paving was hired to fill in the asphalt holes. Council reviewed Iowa State Extension farm land rental rates. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Smock to keep farm rental rate for 2021 at \$225/acre/year. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed need for clerk backup in case of emergency. Manternach suggested Angie Oberbroeckling (New Vienna/Luxemburg) and Sarah Helle (Hopkinton) as they both use

the same accounting system. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Smock to set emergency clerk backup wage to \$25 per hour. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed proposed reduction in hours for clerk. Manternach explained the accounting system is very efficient and the more she learns throughout the years, there is less of a need for research. Manternach added will be slow times such as the off season of state reports, budget, and project planning and this will be a savings in payroll and IPERS for the city. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to allow clerk to keep benefits and to work range of 30-40 hours per week. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed poor condition of sidewalk on 3rd Ave SW; property owner advised they would make a quick fix this year to the bad spots and would R&R portions next year. Council followed up discussing funding options for division 2 of the Water Looping Main Project. Council advised to first go out for bids, then we would discuss funding options after we receive bids. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Leuchs to approve plans and go out for bid for the Water Looping Main Project. Ayes: all, carried.

Council, including Manternach and Lansing went into a closed session at 7:34PM to discuss easement, closed session lifted at 7:49PM

Resolutions/Ordinances: Council reviewed resolution #2020-25. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Smock to approve Resolution #2020-25: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INTERNAL LOAN INTEREST RATE FROM LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX CHECKING TO THE TIF CHECKING. Roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Smock, Marugg. Carried.

Clerk/Council/Committee: Manternach provided update on Iowa Civil Rights Commission Claim regarding Pit Bulls. Manternach advised we received an \$800 grant for a public computer in the library from the McDonough Foundation. The City of Worthington would like to thank the McDonough Foundation for their interest in our library and allocating funds to make a public computer happen. Manternach advised there are sidewalk issues arising from the 136 project and Jason Wenger would be here in the next couple weeks to inspect as well as a water damming issue between two properties.

Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Smock to adjourn at 7:58PM. Ayes: all, carried.
Minutes prepared by Lauren Manternach, City Clerk.