

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday, May 7, 2018.

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

Roll call: Marty Marugg, Steve Engler, Clarence Tuel, Kay Risser, Dan Feldmann

Motion made by Feldmann to approve agenda, seconded by Risser. Ayes: all, carried.

Feldmann inquired if letter was sent out by certified mail to Naber Residence regarding dog issue, Manternach replied it was not but moving forward we can send out all nuisance letters via certified mail. Council discussed Naber Residence issue with resident who complained. Resident advised there are as many as five dogs living there at any given time. Manternach advised our ordinance states "all pets kept outside domestic living quarters shall be limited to two animals." Council discussed per this ordinance that it would be difficult to prove that these animals were living outside domestic living quarters. Resident advised these dogs have also showed aggression toward them. Council and Manternach advised to document this via video and it would help the city move forward with this consistent issue. Feldmann advised at this point we will send a certified letter, then proceed with a Sheriff delivering it. If neither of these take care of the issue we will revamp our ordinance to impose a fine. Council agreed if the fine is not paid, we will put as assessment on their property taxes. Resident added they are concerned for the well-being of the animals as the animals are often not being fed or given water as the other neighbor has had to do this. Burger advised with another similar issue the old city clerk called the Sherriff's department for a well fare check. Manternach inquired if these residents already called the Sherriff's department for a well fare check, they confirmed.

Council reviewed consent agenda, no questions. Burger included he spoke with the city engineer Jason, who advised he made a trip to the district office and he called them last Thursday and inquired what the hold-up is. Jason advised the person who is handling the walk through was off for surgery. Jason advised once the walk through is finished they will proceed with payment for us. Motion made by Tuel to approve consent agenda, seconded by Marugg. Ayes: all, carried.

Regular meeting closed at 6:54 and public hearing opened at 6:54PM to hear questions and comments about FY '18 Budget Amendment and Gogel Land Swap. Manternach explained we are still receiving the money in for the 136 project in the same category on the budget but we are spending it out of a different category in the budget. Manternach also explained the memorial hall was being received and spent out of different categories but it will not change the budget. Manternach explained there was \$4,200 of lawyer fees under community and economic development that was not budgeted for.

Council discussed resolution for the Gogel land swap. Feldmann was concerned that Gogel never saw the surveyed draft of what the city drafted up. Council agreed we will not pass this tonight and this resolution will be tabled. Public hearing closed at 7:08 and opened regular meeting at 7:08.

Motion made by Feldmann to approve Resolution 2018-15, A Resolution Adopting the City of Worthington's FY '18 Budget Amendment for the Fiscal Year that Begins July 1, 2017 and Ends June 30, 2018, seconded by Marugg. Roll call: ayes: Marugg, Engler, Tuel, Risser, Feldmann; nays: none.

Council discussed the updated contract for law enforcement services. Feldmann advised the contract is identical to the contract we had last year except the 3% increase which we were expecting. Motion made by Feldmann, to approve new law enforcement contract, seconded by Risser. Ayes: all, carried.

Council discussed getting a fuel barrel since gas station is closed. Council agreed to have Hosch look into places to place this barrel as next to the shop by the creek would not be okay for any run off. Council also advised to have Todd check into a containment system for the fuel barrel. Council briefly discussed trading in lawn mower and advised to have Todd look into prices for trading in the lawn mower.

Council discussed any potential land that would be available for Farmer's Best Popcorn to come to town. Council advised we cannot tell this business we have any land available as the farmer who owns the acreage next to the industrial park is no longer willing to sell that land. Council advised to tell this business there is no land available at this time.

Motion by Tuel to approve Resolution 2018-14 A Resolution Raising City Clerk Wages Over an Eight Month period, seconded by Marugg. Roll call: ayes: Marugg, Engler, Tuel, Risser, Feldmann; nays: none.

Clerk and council concerns. Manternach advised the Dubuque County Sheriff's office would like to revamp the contract to be a continuous contract instead of a yearly contract. Manternach advised nothing would change except the time frame; council agreed. Manternach inquired if cop car could be sold to a citizen, council advised to check into this prior to opening up this option. Manternach advised we need to codify our ordinances by November and advised council to have any new ordinances or revamped ordinances to us by the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Marugg: none, Engler none, Tuel none, Risser inquired when the speed limit signs would be put in. Manternach advised when the ground thawed, which it has. Manternach advised she would follow up with Todd to get this done. Feldmann none. Burger discussed bridal room and advised the sewer was much more than anticipated and we might be a couple hundred dollars over the budget. Burger advised the person who did the sewer donated quite a bit. Tuel inquired if we could send him a donation form showing they donated this. Manternach confirmed. Burger relayed that he went to the Watershed meeting and does not think the City benefits from this. Burger and council discussed storm sewer project and stated we needed to start seriously thinking about this and using the extra TIF money from the industrial park to complete this project and it will be discussed at a future meeting.

Motion by Feldmann to adjourn at 7:54PM, seconded by Marugg. Ayes: all, carried.

Minutes prepared by Lauren N. Manternach (City Clerk/Treasurer)