

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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

Roll Call: Marty Marugg, Steve Engler (absent), Clarence Tuel, Kay Risser, Dan Feldmann.  
Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Streets Superintendent), Mike Lansing (Water/Wastewater operator, arrived 6:40PM).

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

Consent Agenda. Manternach advised there was a correction on the minutes from 12/04/2017. The minutes referenced the Dubuque Police Department and it should say the Dubuque County Sheriff's department. Marugg also advised the minutes stated the insurance on the cop car was \$900/month. However, it should say it was \$900/year.

Risser inquired if the bill from Terry's Truck and Trailer and S&S Truck & Repair were all for the same vehicle. Hosch confirmed. Risser inquired what the year the truck was. Hosch advised the truck was from 1995 and everything is okay to go for the winter season.

Motion by Risser to approve consent agenda, seconded by Marugg. Ayes: all, carried.

Citizen concerns: Feldmann advised he received a complaint regarding sidewalk snow removal. Burger advised in the future if anyone sees a sidewalk not shoveled to contact Manternach and we would proceed from there.

Council reviewed Budget Reports from Summit. Manternach explained the accounts were not all the same when the transition between the Boyd program to the Summit program was completed. This is why the Road Use Tax was budgeted for \$928,966 and we've only spent 1.84% out of this fund. However, the Capital Project Fund did not have a budget, but we have spent \$480,076, which should have been spent out of the Road Use Tax.

Burger received a very rough estimate on the Storm Sewer Project on the East end of town with all the flooding. Burger advised this was originally projected to cost \$103,000. However it will now cost roughly \$150,000 because the city wants to add two sewer intakes as well make the pipe bigger.

Manternach advised there was an issue with billing this past month. 24-hour notices went to residents they should not have went to. One resident was concerned that a 24-hour notice is a very short notice to be turning water off. Council reviewed current ordinance and agreed per the ordinance, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the month the initial letter gets sent to residents who have not paid their bill and on the 13<sup>th</sup> day the water-shut off notice gets hung. Council agreed to keep the notice at 24 hours, however, if no contact is made with City Hall by the resident, the water will be shut off the following *working* day.

Visa credit card points: council agreed credit card points can be used to buy gift cards for the city to use. Manternach advised a resolution will be created for this at the next meeting.

Clerk and Council Concerns: Manternach advised the next meeting falls on New Years Day and inquired if the council would meet that day. Council agreed we would skip the first meeting in January and our next meeting will be on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Burger relayed information from

conference call with Alliant regarding the street lights at the industrial park. Alliant advised they would give up the pole in their territory at the industrial park to REC. Burger advised he will be meeting with REC to see if they would consider doing just the two poles instead of the three. If that is not a possibility we will have to go with Alliant. Feldmann: none. Risser advised she is concerned with the shelving in the library and noted we have only spent 35% of the budget. Risser advised the shelving is bowing and not sitting correctly on the brackets which is potentially a hazard and we should start considering getting new shelving. Tuel: none. Marugg: advised there is an issue with parking near his house. Burger advised Marugg to relay a friendly reminder to the residents with the parking issue. In addition, Burger informed council of the potential of TIF-ing the old school and the possibility to move forward with this.

Risser made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:59PM, seconded by Marugg. Ayes: all, carried.