

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Meeting was conducted in the Community Center. 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, Chris Smock, Tony Lueck. Steve Engler. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch 7:11PM (Public Works), Sue Burger (Memorial Hall Manager), Mike Lansing (Water/wastewater Operator), Paul Engler (insurance carrier), Joe Roling (Roling Sanitation), Craig Kluesner (Kluesner Sanitation).

FUND-FEBRUARY.	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES
GENERAL	\$6,166.43	\$16,179.38
MEMORIAL HALL	\$260.64	\$822.76
ROAD USE TAX	\$2,383.83	\$2,927.83
TIF	\$0	\$0
WATER	\$5,577.39	\$18,428.29
URBAN RENEWAL	\$0	\$0
SEWER	\$5,912.46	\$8,408.98
LOCAL OPTION	\$5.64	\$0

Motion by Lueck, seconded by Leuchs to approve the agenda. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed minutes of 02/15/2021, February list of bills to be paid, February 2020 treasurer's report, Schlichtmann building permit, Bries building permit, and a liquor license renewal for the Worthington Athletic Association. Manternach advised we paid \$17,600 from the Water Department for the Planning and Design portion of the Water Looping Main Project and will be reimbursed once we have access to the bond funds. Manternach also advised the roughly \$95,000 we received from the state for the 136 project was not deposited until March, and thus, not included in this treasurer's report. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Lueck to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: all, carried.

Mayor Langel opened the following bids for refuse services for the City of Worthington. At 6:37 the bid from Republic Services was opened, at 6:40PM the bid for Bi-County Disposal was opened, at 6:44PM the bid from Kluesner Sanitation was opened, and at 6:48PM the bid from Roling Sanitation was opened. Council discussed all bid options regarding price and option of totes. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to choose Roling Sanitation for waste and recycle services for the City of Worthington. Mayor Langel called for roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Marugg, Lueck. Nays: Smock, Engler. Carried.

Paul Engler with Engler-Oberbroeckling Insurance provided and update with the City insurance. Motion by Smock, seconded by Lueck to renew insurance with Engler Oberbroeckling Ins. Mayor Langel called for roll call. Ayes: Smock, Lueck, Marugg, Engler, Leuchs. Carried.

Water/wastewater: Council reviewed water/wastewater reports and DNR report. Lansing advised 3<sup>rd</sup> St. West Court Water Looping Main project will be delayed one week due to inclement weather. Motion by Smock, seconded by Lueck to give priority access to construction crew in alley by 3<sup>rd</sup> St. West Court from March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 through May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 from 7:00AM-7:00PM Monday through Friday. Ayes: all, carried.

Public Works: Council discussed asphaltting 40 ft. of additional part of city owned alley off of the East part of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. West Court. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to asphalt additional 40 ft. Mayor Langel called for roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Marugg, Smock, Engler, Lueck. Carried.

Citizen Concerns: Manternach and Langel informed council of issue with dog feces in citizen yard and a complaint received by another resident regarding the dog feces. Manternach stated she informed the tenant and the landlord of the 24-hour ordinance requiring clean up of the feces and added it would be appropriate if done every 3-4 days even. Manternach advised landlord felt City was singling out his tenants and felt he would need to pursue legal action. Manternach stated she provided him our attorney information and will update council if the landlord files suit. Manternach informed council that a resident insisted they paid a utility bill in cash last month, but Manternach did not receive the cash in the drop box. Council did not feel there was enough information from resident to forgive the utility bill. Motion by Smock, seconded by Lueck to deny request to forgive utility bill. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed pursuing nuisance ordinance enforcement on previous offender City was dealing with last year. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Lueck to pursue ordinance enforcement with attorney. Mayor Langel called for roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Lueck, Marugg, Engler. Nays: Smock. Carried.

Other Business: Council reviewed ad for large garbage pickup day. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Smock to approve large garbage pickup day of May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and approval of ad. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed amended contract with the Dubuque County Sheriff Department and advised they would like to see “investigation of follow up crimes” and “accident investigations” omitted from the contract as the City feels these duties are regular duties all other cities would get without having a contract. Council also advised they would like to see more detail on the monthly reports we receive. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Marugg to approve contract with above discussed changes. Mayor Langel called for roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Marugg, Lueck, Smock, Engler. Carried. Council discussed committee for removing and replacing swing set at Veterans Park. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Engler to have Smock and Lueck on Swing Set Committee. Ayes: all, carried.

Public Hearings: Motion by Marugg, seconded by Smock to open public hearing for FY 2022 Budget at 8:16PM. Ayes: all, carried. Manternach advised the internal transfers changed from the last time the council reviewed the budget, but it was published in the newspaper with those changes. No additional comments, questions or concerns. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Engler to close public hearing on FY 2022 Budget at 8:17PM. Ayes: all, carried. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Lueck to open public hearing on amendment to Chapter 2 of Title VI, Section 6-2-12, Provisions Pertaining to Water Rates at 8:17PM. Ayes: all, carried. Manternach reminded council the rate is increasing roughly \$5.00/household/month which is split between the base rate and per gallon usage. This increase is to save up for future major projects in the water department which will include: pulling and replacing well pump, painting the water tower exterior and a total well rehabilitation in the next 10 years. No additional comments, questions, or concerns. Motion by Smock, seconded by Leuchs to close public hearing on amendment to Chapter 2 of Title VI, Section 6-2-12, Provisions Pertaining to Water Rates at 8:19PM. Ayes: all, carried. Motion by Lueck, seconded by Smock to open public hearing on amendment to Title VI

Physical Environment: Chapter 2 Utilities-Billing Charges at 8:19PM. Ayes: all, carried. Manternach reminded council this \$1.00/household/month increase is to account for additional expenses for the yard waste collection site. No additional comments, questions, or concerns. Motion by Luechs, seconded by Engler to close public hearing on amendment to Title VI Physical Environment: Chapter 2 Utilities-Billing Charges at 8:20PM. Ayes: all, carried. Motion by Smock, seconded by Lueck to open public hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement at 8:20PM. Ayes: all, carried. No comments, questions, or concerns. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Smock to close public hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement at 8:21PM. Ayes: all, carried.

Resolutions/Ordinances: Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Smock to approve RESOLUTION #2021-08: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF WORTHINGTON'S FY '22 BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR THAT BEGINS JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDS JUNE 30, 2022 AND CERTIFICATION OF CITY TAXES FOR THE CITY OF WORTHINGTON. Roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Smock, Lueck, Engler, Marugg. Carried. Motion by Smock, seconded by Leuchs to approve RESOLUTION #2021-09: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTORNEY TO SIGN NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION. Roll call. Ayes: Smock, Leuchs, Lueck, Marugg, Engler. Carried. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Engler to approve ORDINANCE #196: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE VI PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT: CHAPTER 2 UTILITIES – BILLING CHARGES. Roll call. Ayes: Marugg, Engler, Leuchs, Lueck, Smock. Carried. Motion by Leuchs, seconded by Lueck to waive second and third readings on ORDINANCE #196. Roll call. Ayes: Leuchs, Lueck, Smock, Marugg, Engler. Carried. Motion by Marugg, seconded by Leuchs to approve ORDINANCE #197: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WORTHINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2 OF TITLE VI, SECTION 6-2-12: WATER RATES. Roll call. Ayes: Marugg, Leuchs, Engler, Lueck, Smock. Carried. Motion by Smock, seconded by Engler to waive second and third readings of ORDINANCE #197. Roll call. Ayes: Smock, Engler, Marugg, Leuchs, Lueck. Carried. Motion by Smock, seconded by Leuchs to approve RESOLUTION #2021-10: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SECURING PAYMENT OF \$212,000 WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021. Roll call. Ayes: Smock, Leuchs, Engler, Marugg, Lueck. Carried.

Motion by Marugg, seconded by Lueck to adjourn at 8:28PM. Ayes: all, carried. Minutes prepared by Lauren Manternach, City Clerk.