

Regular Meeting of the Worthington City Council Monday, April 16, 2018.
Mayor, Bill Burger, called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Roll Call: Marty Marugg, Steve Engler, Clarence Tuel, Kay Risser, Dan Feldmann. Additional attendance: Todd Hosch (Street Superintendent), Mike Lansing (Water/wastewater operator), Theresa Neuhaus (city realtor), Gary Langel (citizen), Tom Marbach (citizen).

Motion made by Feldmann to approve agenda, seconded by Tuel. Ayes: all, carried. Council reviewed consent agenda. Burger advised the overall balance on the Treasurers report was quite a bit lower than it normally is due to the fact we had to make payments to the bond we have at the bank for the 136 project. Burger advised we was told by the engineer that we should be receiving payments back shortly from the state. Burger also advised the full note for the bond is due to the bank on July 1st, 2018. No additional questions on the consent agenda. Motion by Risser to approve consent agenda, seconded by Engler. Ayes: all, carried.

Marbach was concerned about the weather for the WD Bobcat pride day and if the weather would be appropriate to stain the bleachers. Marbach was also concerned that this project would cost more in the future to continue to stain every year. Burger replied the WD students would be offering their service every year for free and the only cost to the city would be the stain. Burger advised if the weather did not cooperate for the date this is scheduled the students would work inside the memorial hall cleaning.

Council reviewed concept lot layout Sunset View Phase 2, Burger went over timeline and estimated that September would be the month that everything was done with the subdivision swap. Neuhaus inquired if we could survey the lots and advertise them prior to extending the sewer and water so we could get an idea of how much interest in the lots we would have. Neuhaus inquired if we would be extending her contract for another year for the lot we currently have for sale for \$15,000 in the Sunset Subdivision. Motion made by Feldmann to extend Theresa's contract, seconded by Risser. Ayes: all, carried.

Council reviewed water/wastewater reports. Lansing is requesting to start the looping of the water main on 3rd. St. SW Court. Lansing advised the road and alley are in bad shape and we could replace those as we replace the water main, Lansing added the water fund has a reserve in good shape also. Council agreed to get started on this project and would like to start by seeing cost estimates.

Hosch suggested if we want any street projects done this summer we need to get the plans started. Burger and Feldmann we only plan on seal coating this summer. Council discussed no longer seal coating the dance hall as that was only gravel that was under the seal coating and we should consider putting in a street.

Council approved .50¢ raise for Manternach per initial agreement after 6 months. Motion by Risser seconded by Tuel for .50¢ raise. Ayes: all, carried. Council discussed Manternach's request for a raise to get her close to what other clerks with the same experience in towns of similar size. Tuel suggested to give a .50¢ raise every 3 months from now until January 2019, this would include the 3% cost of living increase. Tuel advised he would also like to see the clerk pursue the certification, clerk agreed to this. Council agreed to this plan. Council advised to write

up resolution and it would be reviewed at next meeting. Burger added we received a \$700 grant for books for the library due to clerk.

Council discussed Resolution 2018-13: A Resolution Setting the Public Hearing Date to Exchange and Purchase Gogel Property to 05/07/2018

Motion by Feldmann to approve resolution, seconded by Marugg. Roll call, ayes: Marugg, Engler, Tuel, Risser, Feldmann. Nays: none.

Council discussed setting the public hearing date for FY '18 Budget Amendment to 05-07-2018. Manternach explained with the new accounting system, funds were put into a fund they should not have been put into and spent out of accounts they should not have been spent out of which is why we needed the budget amendment. Motion by Marugg to set public hearing to 05/07/2018, seconded by Feldmann. Ayes: all, carried.

Clerk and council concerns: Marugg inquired if there was anymore interest in the gas station. Manternach advised there has not been. Engler inquired if we have been able to contact the owners. Manternach confirmed and was able to get an e-mail from the assistant to the owner for anyone interested in purchasing the gas station. Tuel suggested anyone who had previously showed interest that we reach out to them to show the city is still interested in having a gas station. Engler inquired who we were contacting about the school equipment as he was under the impression that the person who lived there is not the person who owned the building. Manternach looked this information up and confirmed it was a Frank Clasen who owns the building which is not the name of the current person who resides there. Tuel inquired if there would be any grants to get new bleachers at the ball park. Burger said there is a grant with the Minnesota Twins to build new ballparks and Manternach advised she would check into this grant as well as others. Risser inquired if anything was going on with the cop car. Risser advised that the interim clerk said she would put it on Clerknet. Manternach advised she would follow up to see if this was completed. Feldmann inquired if there was anyone who could step in for him for the Watershed Management meeting. Council discussed if it was even necessary for Worthington to partake in this as we are unsure of what the benefit it provides to Worthington. Burger advised he would attend the next meeting and ask this. Feldmann inquired if we every got a contract signed for the Bellamy brothers. Burger advised we have not but we will. Feldmann inquired if there was anymore information on the Joe Burlage ground. Burger said he spoke with him and he is no longer interested in selling the property. Feldmann advised to make contact with the packaging popcorn business who is interested in building here. Feldmann inquired if Hosch was keeping track of the hours he is working at the hall for the bridal room. Hosch confirmed. Burger advised Steve Steffen is interested in the CPS building. Bruger also advised we received a letter from ECIA that we have to codify our ordinances by November. Burger advised we need to continue with the zoning project and we will be modifying some of our ordinances to fit our needs since we have to pay to codify anyway. Burger also suggested we take the volleyball court out of the park and put a basketball court in instead since we are no longer pursuing TIFing the school. Motion by Feldmann to adjourn at 8:09PM, seconded by Marugg. Ayes: all, carried. Minutes prepared by Lauren Manternach (City Clerk/Treasurer)