#### **NOTICE**

## **Municipal Services Committee**

Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 29, 2020 5:00 pm

Due to social distancing guidelines this meeting will be conducted via web conference at: meet.google.com/azn-xmxx-fyf. The public may also use the teleconference option at +1 (650) 449-9224 then enter conference pin: 781 905 326#

## **AGENDA**

1. Call meeting to order.

Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:00pm

2. Roll call.

Brooks, Ladick, and Lewis were present. Also in attendance were: Rigg, Renly, Lindroth, Berquist, Roberts, Mayor Hurtley and Wanek.

- 3. Civility Reminder.
- 4. Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ladick /Lewis Motion passed 3-0
- 5. Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes as printed from the August 25, 2020 regular Municipal Services meeting. Ladick /Lewis Motion passed 3-0
- 6. Citizen Appearances other than agenda items. None
- 7. Customer concerns with potential motion to make billing adjustments. None
- 8. Director's Report

### a. Parks and Recreation Report

Renly reported that Ray & Gene Prudhon planted 9 new trees most of which were at Lake Leota Park. Renly also mentioned that the mowing season has about ended and leaf collection will be starting.

## b. AMI Project (Placeholder)

Renly reported that there is only 1 electric meter left that is waiting for inspection before replacement. Water meters have remained the same at just under 300. Installation of new AMI meters remains to be on hold as a result of COVID.

## c. Lake Leota Dam EAP/DFA Update

Renly mentioned that the engineering drawings are in the process of being put together with the anticipation of being submitted to the DNR in December. Renly also mentioned that the DNR has come back with a limit to how much wall can be replaced as part of the dam project. Renly will be reaching out to the DNR to see if the areas to be considered as part of the dam can be adjusted. Renly feels that there are areas of concern that are not being addressed and of structural significance. These areas have the potential to cause a catastrophic failure due to hydrostatic pressures from an extreme rain event.

# d. Bridge Inspection

Renly stated that this is currently scheduled for early next year, no changes expected until then.

# e. Downtown Holiday Lights/Displays

Brooks stated that he will form a subcommittee to find funding sources and make new lighting selections for the downtown area to replace the existing lights that have become worn and require continual maintenance. Lindroth from W&L will be on this committee as well as various others.

## f. 5G Installation Update

Renly said he is working with US Cellular on several adjustments to the MLA's (Master Lease Agreement) language and is awaiting final remarks from their attorney before his final review. Renly stated he will then turn the document over to Mark Kopp for his legal review of the document. Once the review process has been completed it will be submitted to the City's Council for review and approval.

## 9. City Engineer Report

# a. Sub-division/development update

Berquist stated that they have begun the 7<sup>th</sup> St extension and utility installations, he also mentioned that the City will be close to acceptance of Stonewood once a few more items are clarified in the As-built document.

# b. Inflow and Infiltration Study

Berquist stated that to date there has not been a significant rain event to conduct the study.

## 10. Administrative Staff's Report

a. Motion to recommend Ordinance 2020-10 Amending Chapter 102 Solid Waste Lewis/Laddick Motion passed 3-0

# b. Motion to recommend Ordinance 2020-11 Amending Chapter 46 Property Maintenance

Ladick/Lewis Motion passed 3-0 Ian stated that this will improve the City's ability to remove junk vehicles from properties as well as items left on the property for an extended period of time. Lewis asked what happens if something was left on the curb for 2-3 days. Ian stated that a knocker would be placed on the door for its removal.

# c. Resolution 2020-21 Authorizing Chloride Reduction Program – Water Softener Rebate

Brooks recommended a yearly cap of \$40,000 for the 2021 FY and any funds that were left over should carry over from year to year. Ladick stated that commercial units should be handled on a case by case basis based on unit size and percentage of chloride reduction. In doing a quick search Ladick stated that commercial units cost up to \$19,000 for a 208 GPM (gallons per minute) unit. Brooks also mentioned several corrections to the documents language. Riggs will adjust the final document to be presented to Council before being brought back to MSC for a motion.

## d. Moratorium changes

Rigg stated that since the PSC extended the moratorium to Nov 1<sup>st</sup> due to COVID it essentially extended it to April 15<sup>th</sup> of 2021 due to the Winter moratorium. Rigg said that the City currently has approximately \$147,000 in past due accounts which are mostly all residential. Approximately \$31,000 has been closed out due to people leaving/moving, most have been assessed to those properties. If no payment

arrangement is made for overdue accounts they will be sent to state collections and then to the tax roll. Brooks stated that he would like to have the numbers broken out for the October meeting.

## e. Operations for 2021

The committee looked over the Operations budget. Rigg mentioned that the electric operational budget was approximately 2% over budget but could be from duplications as a result of switching to the new fund lines. This will be looked into further.

# f. Capital Budget for 2021-2030

Rigg said that there will be several pieces of equipment that will need to be removed from the public works capital budget. The following items will be transferred from the 2021 FY into 2022: the electric mower for the parks department, the Gator for the parks department and the skid steer for the cemetery. Renly stated that he was comfortable with transferring these items into 2022.

## 11. WPPI Report

Brooks introduced Amy Wanek as the new ESR (Energy Service Representative) from WPPI. Amy will be getting acclimated to her position over the next several months.

12. Old Business

None

13. New Business

None

- 14. Upcoming Meeting Date, October 27, 2020
- 15. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn Ladick/Lewis 3-0 at 6:15pm

## James Brooks, Committee Chair

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