

May 24, 2021
City Council Meeting

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on May 24, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Malewski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Malewski, Councilwoman Colestock, Councilwoman Politza, Councilman Steele, and Councilman Wichman.

Steele moved, Wichman seconded, PASSED, to approve the agenda.

Colestock moved, Steele seconded, PASSED, to approve the May 10th Worksession Minutes and the May 10th Council Meeting Minutes.

Wichman moved, Steele seconded, PASSED, to approve the disbursements of \$617,158.75.

Public Comments: None

Unfinished and Special Business:

- a. Mayor Malewski opened the Public Hearing for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) project at 7:05 p.m. City Manager Desentz introduced Jim Minster, C2AE Engineer, who presented the project plan. There were no additional comments. The Public Hearing closed at 7:12 p.m.
- b. Colestock moved, Steele seconded, to adopt Resolution 2021-10 adopting a final project plan for wastewater system improvements or NPS pollution control/stormwater improvements and designating an authorized project representative. PASSED by roll call vote:
Yeas: Wichman, Steele, Politza, Colestock, Malewski
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
- c. Mayor Malewski opened the Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Water-Related Infrastructure (WRI) project application at 7: 15 p.m. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed the project. Jon Zamora, 707 Drahner, commented on the status of the projects if the grant is not awarded. City Manager Desentz advised the project components would be prioritized and alternate funding would be sought. There were no additional comments. The Public Hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.
- d. Wichman moved, Steele seconded, to adopt Resolution 2021-11 authorizing the CDBG WRI project application and designating City Manager Desentz as the authorized project representative and signatory. PASSED by roll call vote:
Yeas: Colestock, Steele, Wichman, Politza, Malewski
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

New Business:

- a. Steele moved, Colestock seconded, to approve the bid from Mata Brothers Construction for the 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program. PASSED by roll call vote:

Yeas: Colestock, Steele, Wichman, Politza, Malewski

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

b. Colestock moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the 4th of July Fireworks Permit.

Public Comments:

Joy Matthews, 709 N. Miller Dr., commented on the noxious weeds ordinance violation she received.

Marta Ford, 706 Drahner, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Scott Bair, 605 Hastay, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Jon Zamora, 707 Drahner, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Melissa Eckman, 704 Drahner, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Tim Bryant, 703 Drahner, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

David Ford, 706 Drahner, commented in support of the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Larry Nolan, 239 S. Main, commented on the dismissal of an employee.

Joe Mitchell, commented in support of pickleball courts.

County Commissioner Rogers reported that the County is working on the budget. Ways and Means meets on the Friday before the third Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. She reported that COVID-19 cases are decreasing. She advised that Resource Recovery is looking at the recycling center.

Reports:

Councilman Wichman thanked Quality of Life Director Zeller and Main Street/DDA Executive Director Smith for their participation in the community group working to build back after COVID-19. He complimented Mayor Malewski on the river clean-up.

Councilwoman Colestock reported that the G.A.R. Museum is sponsoring the Memorial Day Parade on May 31st. The Museum is also placing flags on veteran graves at Rosehill Cemetery on May 29th starting at 9:00 a.m. She thanked the DPW crews for their work over the last few weeks. Their quick responses have resulted in no service interruptions.

Councilman Steele also commended DPW crews for their quick responses to the water main break. He commented that it is nice to see flowers planted on the bridges. He advised he will assist the Hastay neighborhood with the area in violation of the noxious weeds ordinance.

Councilwoman Politza also complimented DPW crews for their hard work and quick response to emergencies. She reported that the island project is progressing nicely. She thanked the public for coming to the meeting.

Mayor Malewski reported that the river clean-up was successful. Eighteen paddlers participated and cleared about 400 pounds of trash from the river. He advised that Mike Seeley's family donated \$7,500.00 in his memory for a sign at the Public Safety Building. He commented that the noxious weed issue is not taken lightly. He advised that a formal complaint was received, and the Building Official is required to follow up on complaints. The City must follow the ordinance. He reminded Council of the Fire Department Study meeting on Tuesday, May 25th at 6:30 p.m. He wished Councilman Wichman a Happy Birthday. He reported that he received an email about flags being displayed in the City with profanity on them. He advised that this is protected by the First Amendment.

Politza moved, Steele seconded, for Council to enter closed session to consider a matter of attorney client privilege.

Yeas: Politza, Colestock, Malewski, Steele, Wichman

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Council went into closed session 8:11 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:01 p.m.

City Manager Desentz reported that he and City Attorney Harkness met with an attorney representing the Horner Mill property.

Steele moved, Colestock seconded, PASSED, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk