

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – APRIL 16, 2019

A CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council meeting was held April 16, 2019 in the city council room of the New Germany City Hall. Mayor Van Lith called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., those present were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist. Absent: Cathy Ruschmeier, Nick Hartwig. Others present were: City Clerk – Twyla Menth, Fire Chief Dan Ruschmeier, Brent Mickolichuk with People Service, Heidi Hoks with Carver County Library.

Audience members were: none.

B. CITIZEN COMMENT- no comments

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approval of agenda with the addition of Resolution 2019-05. The motion carried. 3/0

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the April 2, 2019 Council minutes. The motion carried. 3/0

E. SHERIFFS REPORT: Monthly report was available for review. Boat parked on Adams Avenue; check with Officer Bengtson.

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Ruschmeier presented quote for radios and replacement batteries; \$1,681.50. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approving the purchase of radios and equipment for \$1,681.50. The motion carried. 3/0.

Fire Department Dance – April 26 at Hall 8:30 – 12:30 AM, music by Up South band.

G. TREASURE REPORT:

1. The Treasury report noted that the General fund balance was \$1,295,457.91, which includes the CD's balance of \$49,589.01. Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried. 3/0
2. March bank reconciliation was reviewed by Council.

H. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving the claims in the amount of \$13777.10. The motion carried, unanimously. 3/0

I. WATER SEWER REPORT:

1. Brent Mickolichuk with People Service gave report on the NPDES pond permit and the public comment process of pond permit.
2. Brent provided the 2019 first quarter report for water and sewer to Council.

J. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Heidi Hoks with Carver County Library was present to explain what was new in the Library area. Carver County has 6 full-service library sites, in 2019 they received 482,482 visitors. 4 express sites, which are locker units, virtual library on their website which received 187,609 visitors in 2018. In 2019 they are expanding with a new library in Chaska, and expanding their express libraries, new technology is also scheduled for the future.

2. LTD Broadband contract is being revised by attorney.

3. Resolution 2019-05 Donation from the Relief Association for parks supplies of \$3,206.00. Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded Resolution 2019-05. The motion carried. 3/0

K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE: None

L. COMPLAINT LOG: None

M. PUBLIC WORKS: Van Lith reported that the culvert in Black Forest has been repaired by Henning Excavating. Henning's noted a few other issues with another inlet and outlet that will need cleaning out; Van Lith will get quote.

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Council will move forward with next applicant for seasonal position. Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded hiring Jim Heimerl for the 2019 season lawn care position. The motion carried. 3/0
Can be reviewed in 2020 for the seasonal position if needed.

N. PARKS REPORT: April 22 meeting. Jaeger suggested dry cleaning of bunny suit.

O. MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Van Lith read Council member Cathy Ruschmeier' s resignation. Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving C. Ruschmeier' s resignation. The motion carried. 3/0
A Council Vacancy was declared through Resolution 2019-06. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approving Resolution 2019-06. The motion carried. 3/0
Council reviewed the newspaper draft for Council vacancy and the Council application and questioner. The Council seat will be for the rest of 2019 and would be put on a special ballot in November General Election with this seat noted as Special Election on the ballot, remaining term 2020-2022.

P. CITY CLERK REPORT:

1. Clerk gave report on posting notice of Ordinance 109 Critical Water Deficiency Ordinance and 110 Right of Way Ordinance to be adopted on May 7.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Will finish rest of items in Q and come back to.
2. Invite Burns to Council meeting for more information.
3. May 7 will be employee evaluation date; Connie Stahlke 6PM, Steve Van Lith after and check with Gary Bonk schedule.
No update as of this meeting; keep on agenda.

Return to Q1. Council started process of sorting through draft of codification of ordinances. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded at 9 PM to extend the Council meeting. The motion carried. 3/0
Discussion continued on codification of ordinances; work session of April 30, 7 PM.

R. NEW BUSINESS: None

S. ADJOURNMENT: Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded adjourning the meeting at 9:36 PM. The motion carried. 3/0

Respectfully Submitted, _____ Twyla Menth, City Clerk-Treasurer