

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – NOVEMBER 7, 2017

A. CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council meeting was held on November 7, 2017 in the city council room of the New Germany City Hall. Mayor Van Lith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., those present were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist, and Cathy Ruschmeier, absent Nick Hartwig. Others present were: City Clerk – Twyla Menth. Audience members present were: none.

B. CITIZEN COMMENT: There were no additional comments from the audience.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Add J3 Resolution 2017-11 to agenda. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approving agenda with additions. The motion carried, all ayes. 3/0

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approval of the October 17, 2017 minutes. The motion carried, all ayes. 3/0

E. SHERIFFS REPORT: Monthly Sheriff report was available for review.

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: November 6 meeting was low attendance do to deer hunting.

G. TREASURE REPORT: The Treasury report noted that the General fund balance was \$1,384,815.12, which includes the CD's balance of \$48,284.24. The quarterly report was also included. Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried, all ayes. 3/0

H. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Turnquist moved and Ruschmeier seconded to approve the claims in the amount of \$28,431.59. The motion carried, all ayes. 4/0 (Ruschmeier present).

I. WATER SEWER REPORT: Mercury sampling can be discontinued. Bolton & Menk and People Service will be at the December 5 meeting.

J. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Ruschmeier moved and Jaeger seconded Resolution 2017-10 Support of Funding for Highway 212. The motion carried, all ayes. 4/0

2. Council had discussion on the Carver County backup generator possibilities the County is offering for their fiber optic room in the hall. After discussion and reviewing specifications and terms of generator maintenance Council decided to go ahead with the generator and came up with a prioritized list of importance in a disaster situation; 1. Command center (the office), 2. Heat if in winter months, 3. Basement of hall to have lights/power, 4. Bathrooms lights/functioning. Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving Carver County purchasing the Generac 22,000 generator to operate the fiber optic room and power parts of the City Hall as listed above. The motion carried, all ayes. 4/0

3. Jaeger moved and Ruschmeier seconded Resolution 2017-11 approving \$2,000 from Mayer Baseball Club towards the Lindstrom Park dug out project. The motion carried, all ayes. 4/0

K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE: 1 – residing, 1 – siding and windows.

L. COMPLAINT LOG: Bus parked on Lincoln; letter sent and resolved.

M. PW REPORT:

1. Council discussed the street light at Ball Park; will stay for winter plowing season and table discussion until Spring of 2018.

2. Van Lith reported the tree on east end of Broadway will be planted in Spring of 2018.

N. PARKS REPORT: Republic garbage services would like to know if the dumpsters can stay @ Ball Park or need to be picked up; they can stay Van Lith will move out of plowing way.

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Great turn out for Halloween party; thank all the kids and adults that helped make it a success (put in newsletter).

O. MAYORS REPORT: Nothing at this time.

P. CLERKS REPORT:

In process of renewal of liquor license for 2018.

Landlord is in the process of cleaning up 340 State Avenue S.

Wellhead Protection Meeting – December 5, 2017.

Fan relay switch has malfunctioned on heater in hallway; Hollywood heating has ordered part and replacing.

Loren owner of Metro West is semi retiring; Todd Geske will be taking the business over, Todd has been a staff supervisor at Metro West for the past 19 years and has been one of the current building inspectors for the City of New Germany.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Dean with Resource Strategies has the updates and will getting the verbiage corrected.

2. No updates at this time.

3. Council discussed the three Engineering Companies; Bolton and Menk, Short Elliot & Hendrickson (SEH), and Sambatek. Ruschmeier moved and Jaeger seconded Short Elliot and Hendrickson for the City Engineering services starting in January of 2018. The motion carried. 3 ayes /1 abstained, Turnquist abstained from voting.

R. NEW BUSINESS:

1. November 21 meeting will change from 7 PM to 6:30 PM, Clerk will post change.

S. ADJOURNMENT: Turnquist moved and Ruschmeier seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:16 PM. The motion carried, all in favor. 4/0

Respectfully Submitted, \_\_\_\_\_ Twyla Menth, City Clerk