

CITY OF NEW GERMANY, COUNCIL MINUTES – NOVEMBER 1, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council meeting & Public Hearing was held on November 1, 2022 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 presents were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist, Thomas Mielke and Kevin Grove. Others present were: City Clerk – Twyla Menth. Audience members present were:

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

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chief Goede and Item to be discussed will be moved to first item to be discussed as Council Member Grove needs to leave early. **Jaeger moved and Grove seconded approval of Agenda with the addition of Resolution 2022-22, and 2022-23 and other changes as listed above. The motion carried. 5/0.**

D. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: **Jaeger moved and Grove seconded approval of the October 18, 2022, minutes. The motion carried. 5/0**

Chief Goede – Discussion on the meeting in the office on this past Thursday, needed a TV. Council and Chief Goede had a discussion on the shared office space. FD should notify the city of all meetings; FD will work on for a solution. Smaller groups to meet in office area, large groups in basement, portable TV stand with TV mounted on.

Clerk sent Chief Goede an email on MN State FD Association recruiting materials, possible grant; also, grant funding for 2 sets turn-out gear.

Trucks have just been serviced and certified.

Should have by laws by the next Council meeting for Council to review proposed changes.

Work on garage door quotes for 2023 replacement as marked in the FMP; FMP place holder is \$15,606.00.

E. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Ordinance 119 – **Grove moved and Mielke seconded approving Ordinance 119, setting Council wages. The motion carried. 5/0**

2. Carver County Joint Assessment Agreement – **Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving the Carver County Assessment Contract for 2023. The motion carried. 5/0**

3. Public Hearing - Resolution 2022-21 Assessing Unpaid Utility Bills to Property Taxes – Quick discussion on parcel ID 55.0500580, will collect at real estate closing instead of assessing to property taxes, continue with late fees until paid. **Turnquist moved and Grove seconded approving Resolution 2022-21 with the change of removing Parcel ID#55.0500580. The motion carried. 5/0 (Public Hearing closed).**

4. Resolution 2022-22 S-2 City Code Supplement update – **Grove moved and Mielke seconded approving Resolution 2022-22. The motion carried. 5/0**

F. SHERIFF'S REPORT: No report.

G. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:
Chief Goede gave his report earlier.

H. TREASURE REPORT: The Treasury report noted that the CTAS fund balance was \$2,219,497.84 which includes the Investment fund balance. **Mielke moved and Grove seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried. 5/0**

I. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: **Grove moved and Jaeger seconded approving claims in the amount of \$20,937.59. The motion carried. 5/0**

J. WATER SEWER REPORT:

- Hydrants flushed today.
- Gopher muskrat issues at ponds.
- MPCA approved preliminary wastewater plan on October 27, 2022.

K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE:

- Furnace/AC 510 Park Street E, Re-Roof – 705 Black Forest Road

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L. COMPLAINT LOG: No complaints.

M. PW REPORT:

1. 1994 F350 Ford PW Truck bids – Council opened the bids and reviewed; \$1500., \$2,995., \$3575., \$4,650., \$4,750, highest bid purchases the truck. **Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving the offer of \$4,750., offer is contingent on funds, payment is cashiers check, cash or money order, 1 week from today to pay and remove truck, if purchaser declines it will then go to the next highest offer. The motion carried. 5/0**

- Resolution 2022-23 Sale of City Surplus PW Truck – **Jaeger moved and Mielke seconded approving Resolution 2022-23. The motion carried. 5/0**

2. Sentence to Serve is here on 11/2/22, for painting.

N. PARKS REPORT: No additional report

O. MAYORS REPORT: No additional report.

P. CLERKS REPORT:

- Janitor update – no applicants
- Election update – November 8, starts at 7 AM – 8 PM, almost ready, set up on Monday, Jane will help set up.
- Comp Plan – Met Council is updating the 2040 Comp Plan, consists of the Transportation Policy Plan, Metropolitan highways, roadway functional class change since 2015; includes New Germany. Other update is the 2040 Regional Parks/Trails, mostly increase of numbers. Reached out to Brea with SEH for these updates, she mentioned we should update the land use maps as well. Brea will supply a quote for the 2040 Comp Plan update.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Annexation – Schroeder Meats would like to continue with the same address; there is no state statute that requires the address has to be changed, according to the City Attorney. Council had a discussion on addresses on 62nd Street; wait until more are annexed into the city and do all the changes at once.

R. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review 2023 Fee Schedule Ordinance – review again at the next meeting.

S. ADJOURNMENT: **Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8 PM. The motion carried. 5/0**

Respectfully Submitted, _____ Twyla Menth, City Clerk