

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for September 7, 2021 to order at 7:00 PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Councilmembers Lisa Iverson, Linda Nanko Yeager, Brett Ohnstad, Dennis Schilling, and Claire Luger

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Kelly Dumais, Assistant City Administrator, Matt Indihar-WSB, Paul Hoppe, Public Safety Director, Fred Weck, Zoning Administrator/Building Official, and Chuck Almhjeld, Public Works Superintendent

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

Nicholas Rohne, 24265 Holm Oak Avenue North, Forest Lake, treasurer of the Fastpitch Association, explained that as part of this Association, he is required to attend a couple of City Council meetings a year. He questioned why the City of Wyoming charges a fee/tax for pull tabs and what the approximately \$10,000 a month the City of Wyoming receives is used for.

City Administrator Linwood: Stated proceeds of lawful gambling goes to youth activities as outlined in the City's ordinances. He stated he will follow up with Mr. Rohne via email regarding this matter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. **Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for August 17, 2021**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR AUGUST 17 2021 AS SUBMITTED

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. **Consider approving the minutes of the "Work Session Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for August 25, 2021**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE "WORK SESSION

MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR AUGUST 25, 2021 AS SUBMITTED

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the “Consent Agenda” will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

3. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll and journal entries for the period of August 17, 2021 to September 7, 2021
4. To consider **Resolution 21-09-86** approving payment for Pay Voucher #4 to Kuechle Underground for the East Viking Boulevard Utility Improvements (WSB Project 012660-000) (City Project 19-02) in the amount of \$123,643.21
5. To consider **Resolution 21-09-87** accepting a donation to Railroad Park from Union House, Inc.
6. To consider **Resolution 21-09-88** accepting a donation from Jeanine Sachs for public safety
7. To consider **Resolution 21-09-89** accepting a donation to Railroad Park from Jeanine Sachs
8. To consider **Resolution 21-09-90** approving the payment to Olson Sewer Service in the amount of \$19,559.49 for the repair of the sanitary sewer at Railroad Boulevard
9. To consider **Resolution 21-09-91** approving an agreement for joint administration of financial assurance for Heims Lake Villas North between the City of Wyoming and the Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO APPROVE #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, AND #9 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, and Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND DEPARTMENTS HEADS:

10. Report of the Public Safety Director, Paul Hoppe for September 2, 2021
11. Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV for September 2, 2021
12. Report of City Attorney Tom Loonan for September 1, 2021
13. Report from City Engineer Mark Erichson, WSB for September 3, 2021
14. Report of Public Works Superintendent Chuck Almhjeld for September 7, 2021

Mayor Iverson asked for information relating to item #14, report of the Public Works Superintendent.

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Stated the City received a 2021 Leadership Award for chloride reduction through the 2021 Salt Symposium. He explained that he was able to reduce

salt usage by 100 tons. He stated fire trucks used to pre-wet streets which in turn reduced the amount of ice that accumulated and decreased slippery roads. This is a cost savings of \$10,000, which the Public Works Department used to purchase 2 trucks and update some equipment. He stated he was proud of his department, noting that this was definitely a team effort.

COMMUNICATIONS:

15. City Utilities Late Fees

Assistant City Administrator Dumais – Explained that during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council reduced financial hardships residents might experience by eliminating late fees for City utilities. This action was extended through the second quarter of 2021, which was the last billing cycle. She noted that late fees will go back into effect starting with the next billing cycle. Currently, there are 761 accounts with an outstanding balance and 387 are over the \$25 threshold that will be put onto assessments by the end of the year if not paid.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 16.** To consider **Resolution 21-08-77** authorizing the purchase of the John Deere Gator from Frontier Ag and Turf for the purchase price of \$15,464.73 less \$3,800 trade in value of the 2006 Polaris Ranger for the final purchase price of \$11,664.73

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Reminded the Council that this item was tabled at the last meeting to allow time to look at different vendors for a less expensive purchase option than the 2021 Polaris Ranger. After a diligent search, the 2021 John Deere Gator XUVS90M is being recommended for consideration. He stated the John Deere Gator will be used for park and baseball field maintenance and there is an attachment for a plow, if desired later.

Council Member Yeager – Questioned what made this model better than the previous one.

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Stated the Gator model is similar to the Polaris Ranger but has independent suspension, larger cab, and is less expensive.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-08-77 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF THE JOHN DEERE GATOR FROM FRONTIER AG AND TURF FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$15,464.73 LESS \$3,800 TRADE IN VALUE OF THE 2006 POLARIS RANGER FOR THE FINAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$11,664.73.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 17.** To consider **Resolution 21-09-92** a resolution approving a Pavement Management System Ratings to be completed by WSB and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$18,614.00

City Administrator Linwood – Presented a work plan that continues the implementation of the City's Pavement Management System. He provided an overview of the cost summary with a total not to exceed \$18,614, and the tasks that will be completed as part of the work plan including data collection and management; detailed inspection of City pavement; and, pavement summary. He also reviewed the project timeline, noting this is a budgeted item that is completed every three years.

Mayor Iverson – Asked why the system began at 65 miles and is now at 68 miles.

City Administrator Linwood – Explained the additional three miles are new developments within the City and is budgeted for 2021. This will begin the end of September with a presentation to City Council near the end of December.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-09-92 A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM RATINGS TO BE COMPLETED BY WSB AND ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,614.00.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager

Abstain: None

Absent: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Ohnstad – Attended Budget Meeting that was held on August 25, 2021 and the last Planning Commission meeting

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Attended Budget meeting on August 25, 2021.

Council Member Luger – Attended Budget that was held on August 25, 2021.

Council Member Schilling – Attended Budget Meeting that was held on August 25, 2021.

Mayor Iverson – Attended Budget Work Session and the MN Mayor's Association. She is currently the president of the MN Mayor's Association. Stagecoach Days is September 18th which includes fireworks at 9:00 p.m., vendors, bingo, kid's activities, and multiple bands. She also wanted to thank Union House for donations to the Fire Department and the Veterans Park. Over \$200,000 has been raised and there will also be an opportunity for people to purchase and engrave a brick that will be used to help build the Veterans Park.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7:22PM

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

A portion of this public meeting may be closed to discuss "Labor Negotiation Strategies"; "Misconduct allegations or charges"; "Attorney-client privilege"; or "Performance evaluations" as per MN State Statute 13D.01-.05.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
7:00PM