

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
JUNE 21, 2022
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for June 21, 2022 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: Tom Loonan, Eckberg Lammers, Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Alex Saxe, Assistant City Administrator, Mark Erichson-WSB, Neil Bauer - Public Safety Director, Fred Weck, Zoning Administrator/Building Official and Chuck Almhjeld, Public Works Superintendent

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for June 7, 2022

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR JUNE 7, 2022, 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.

2. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll, and journal entries for the period of June 8, 2022 to June 21, 2022
3. To consider approving the 2022 City of Wyoming Insurance Coverage renewal through the League of Minnesota cities Insurance Trust for a total cost of \$98,736.00
4. To confirm the City Council of the City of Wyoming, does NOT WAIVE the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minnesota Statutes 466.04 when renewing liability insurance coverage with LMCIT (League of Minnesota Cities Insurant Trust)
5. To consider **Resolution 22-06-55** a resolution declaring items as surplus property for disposal

- and authorizing the Administration Department to dispose of the items
6. To consider **Resolution 22-06-56** a resolution declaring certain vehicles as surplus property for disposal and authorizing the Police Department to dispose of the vehicles through online auction.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE #2, #3, #4, #5, and #6 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

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

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

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

7. Report of the Public Safety Director, Neil Bauer for June 15, 2022
8. Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV for June 16, 2022
9. Report of City Attorney Tom Loonan for June 16, 2022
10. Report of City Engineer Mark Erichson, WSB for June 17, 2022
11. Report of Public Works Superintendent Chuck Almhjeld for June 21, 2022
12. 1st Quarter Financial Report, Abdo Financial Solutions

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS

13. To consider **Resolution 22-06-57** a resolution approving Final Plat D-22-009 Summer Fields 3rd Addition, Location: Kettle River Boulevard and 258th Street, Applicant: Summer Fields, LLC (Jesse Moxness), Property ID Number: 21.10582.80

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Explained that this is the 3rd phase of this development that contains 36 detached townhomes, a public street, and a private street. The Planning Commission recommended approval with the 8 conditions that are listed in the resolution.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked about the conversation at the Planning Commission meeting regarding the street continuing and the difference between a pork chop and a hammerhead.

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Explained that the property to the south is not owned by the developer and at some point, that land will develop, so that area is to allow that roadway to go through. He referenced the drawings that show a turn around area and explained that this was the hammerhead or pork chop that was discussed at the meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 22-06-57 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FINAL PLAT, D-22-009 SUMMER FIELDS 3RD ADDITION LOCATED AT KETTLE RIVER BOULEVARD AND 258TH STREET, FOR APPLICANT SUMMER FIELDS,

LLC (JESSE M OXNESS) AT PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 21.10582.80

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

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

14. To consider **Resolution 22-06-58** a resolution authorizing the purchase of playground equipment and installation services from Minnesota-Wisconsin Playground at Swenson Park in the amount of \$44,413.10

Assistant City Administrator Saxe – Gave an overview of the quote process and the recommendation from the Park Advisory Commission to purchase playground equipment for older aged kids at Swenson Park. He reminded the Council that these funds would come from the Park Dedication Fund and would not be levied dollars.

Mayor Iverson – Asked if there was any way that the installation expense of \$12,425 could be reduced by the Public Works Department taking on some of the work.

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Explained the reasons that the Public Works Department could not take on any of the installation work. He noted that they will be involved with preparation of the site with removal of the chips and pulling the fabric back.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked what age was considered an ‘older aged kid’.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe – Explained that this equipment was aged for 5-12 and noted that they are using National Parks and Recreation standards. He noted that there is also a category for ages 12-18, but this space cannot accommodate that equipment.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked about maintenance for the equipment and what would happen when a rope breaks.

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Stated that the ropes are virtually maintenance free because it is the poly-type woven rope wrapped in 6 strands of steel. He read aloud some of the information presented by the vendor regarding the rope. He stated that he believes there is a 5 year warranty on the equipment.

Council Member Luger – Asked what feedback the City has received about Swenson Park’s amenities.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe – Stated that there has been a lot of positive comments, but the complaints have been surrounding children in the 5-12 year range who do not want to play on the younger playground equipment.

Council Member Luger – Noted that she had also seen that feedback on social media. She stated that there is a pretty significant freight fee and asked if that was fairly common in today’s marketplace.

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld - Explained that this particular equipment is coming from Korea so that freight fee is common. He noted that the equipment’s lifespan is 20 years.

Council Member Luger – Asked when this equipment would be installed and how long the quote would be good for.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe – Explained that the vendor had said that if this contract is signed by July 4, 2022, it will be installed prior to year-end and if it is after July 4, 2022 it would most likely be installed in the spring of 2023. He stated that he believes the quote is good for 90 days.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 22-06-58 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION SERVICES FROM MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PLAYGROUND AT SWENSON PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,413.10

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

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Iverson – Noted that earlier during the budget work session, it was determined that July 27, 2022 would not work for the Council's next budget meeting and had discussed July 28, 2022 instead.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO AMEND THE DATE OF THE NEXT BUDGET MEETING FROM JULY 27, 2022 TO JULY 28, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

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

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Ohnstad – Attended the Planning Commission meeting and the Council work session.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Attended the Council work session

Council Member Luger – Attended the Council work session and the Park Advisory Commission meeting.

Council Member Schilling – Attended the Council work session.

Mayor Iverson – Attended the EDA meeting, the Planning Commission meeting, and the Council work session. She noted that she had also attended the MS 150 that came through the City and noted that the feedback she got was that the trail was far better than it was 2 or 3 years ago and that Wyoming has been very welcoming. She stated that she also took a trip to Washington D.C. to meet with Congressman Stauber and have a conversation regarding Highway 8. She stated that the Special Olympics Torch Run will be June 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Public Safety Director Bauer – Noted that people can watch the Special Olympics torch Run from Railroad Park or the trail and explained that several members of the Police Department, Assistant City Administrator Saxe, and himself would be running with the torch.

15. To enter into a closed session under Minnesota State Statute 13D.03 to discuss labor negotiation strategies for a contract with the bargaining units of IUOE Local 49ers

Mayor Iverson – Recessed the meeting at 7:20 p.m. and reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING TO GO INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR A CONTRACT WITH THE BARGAINING UNIT OF IUOE LOCAL 49ERS AT 7:30PM.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION UNDER MN STATE STATUTE 13D.03 TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR A CONTRACT WITH THE BARGAINING UNIT OF IUOE LOCAL 49ERS AT 7:48PM

Voting Aye: Luger, Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Ohnstad, and Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None

City Administrator Linwood gave a summation of the closed session

The closed meeting was relative to the matters for bargaining purposes and contract negotiations between the City of Wyoming and bargaining unit of IUOE Local 49ers. The meeting was closed under MN State Statute 13D.03. The closed meeting was attended by Mayor Lisa Iverson and City Council Members Dennis Schilling, Linda Nanko Yeager, Claire Luger and Brett Ohnstad. Also, in attendance was City Administrator- Robb Linwood, Assistant City Administrator- Alex Saxe and Public Works Director- Chuck Almhjeld. The council reviewed the current contract from the bargaining unit. The City Council provided advice and direction to legal and city staff but made no formal votes.

ADJOURNMENT:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER IVERSON SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO ADJOURN THE JUNE 21, 2022 "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 7:49PM

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:
July 5, 2022
7:00PM