COMMON COUNCIL 02/28/2022

The Common Council of the City of Park Falls met in regular session at 5:00 PM on Monday, February 28, 2022. Mayor Michael Bablick called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and the following members were present:

Mayor: Michael Bablick

Aldermen: Chris Hoffman

David Dryer Michael Mader Dennis Wartgow James Corbett Anthony Thier Dina Bukachek Dan Greenwood

City Attorney: Bryce Schoenborn

City Administrator: Brentt Michalek

Also present: Marvin Nevelier, Michelle Smith, Deb Hyde, Larry Reas, Dixie Weidman, Bill Hoffman, Missy Negri, Shannon Greenwood and Tom LaVenture.

There was a motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to remove 9.C.2 and then adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Alderman Wartgow made a motion and seconded by Alderman Mader to approve the minutes for the January 24, 2022 Common Council meeting; the January 26, 2022 Board of Public Works meeting, and the February 15, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Missy Negri from Globe Life Heritage Insurance presented information about her company and requested the opportunity to speak to interested employees. Michelle Smith informed the council that the annual figure skating show will be taking place on March 5 and March 6. Michael Mader told the council that the athletic banquet will be on March 26...they are raising money for a new tennis court/pickleball court and basketball court.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrator Michalek presented different options for the city logo. It was decided by consensus, that the shape would be the A1/A2 shape; the eagle is to be flying to the right; the words "The Birthplace of "Old Abe" will be placed on the logo; Life on the Flambeau will also be located on the logo. In the bottom, it was decided, by consensus, that it will read 1912 established.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel – There was nothing to report.

Finance - Alderman Bukachek made a motion and seconded by Alderman Greenwood to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$156,115.70. Motion carried, 8-0. There was a motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Bukachek to approve the donation to the 2022 fireworks display in the amount of \$500. Motion carried, 8-0.

Board of Public Works –MSA presented a non-tid services agreement in the amount of \$5,000. Motion by Alderman Mader and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve this expenditure. Motion carried, 8-0.

Public Services – MSA updated everyone on the different projects that they have been working on for the City. The city hall space needs study is being worked on and will be having a meeting soon. Looking at a possibility of grants. The Case Avenue/Sherry Avenue CSM is still in need of two signatures. The city park master plan is putting together 3 concepts that will be presented to the public for their opinion. The Neighborhood Investment Grant is starting to release information and the City should know if they received the grant money for the YMCA soon.

CITY OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Bablick – Motion by Alderman Greenwood and seconded by Alderman Mader to appoint Virginia Feit to the housing authority for a 5-year term. Motion carried.

City Administrator Michalek – Updated the council that he is continuing to work with General Code for the city ordinances. There has been work done on a downtown plan from GRAEF. The greenhouse lease paperwork has been signed.

Attorney report – Nothing to report

Clerk and Treasurer Smith – The next election will be on April 5, 2022.

Library Director Hyde – The library will be changing their hours on February 28th. They will be open from 9 AM until 7 PM, Monday through Thursdays and Fridays will be 9 AM until 5 PM. And they are open from 9 AM until 1 PM on Saturdays.

DPW Director Hoffman – 'Let run' orders have been issued to approximately 45 users. A telehandler is located down by Fon Du Lac that he will be looking at and the tool cat has a chip shortage right now so it will be late in getting here.

Chief of Police Ernst –Chief Ernst was on vacation but Sgt. Nevelier informed the council that the base radio is backordered and cannot get parts.

Fire Chief Reas- The new fire truck has arrived and the firefighters are receiving training on it.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 PM

Michelle M. Smith Clerk and Treasurer