

Motley, MN

June 14th, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof Mayor Al Yoder called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following Council Members present: Pat O'Regan, Steve Johnson, Amy Hutchison, and Mayor Al Yoder. Council Member Jace Carlson was absent. The meeting was held at Motley City Hall.

The following persons were present at City Hall for all or part of the meeting: Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton, Police Chief Jason Borash, Clerk/Treasurer Curt Bryniarski, Fire Chief Brad Olson. Other interested individuals were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Al Yoder called for additions or deletions to the agenda.

Johnson moved with a second by Hutchison to approve the agenda. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

O'Regan moved with a second by Hutchison to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Claims
 - i. Check #32402 – 32452; EFT #30470 – 30478; Payroll EFT #1000864- 1000886; Fire Department payroll check #15007-15021
- B. WEX fuel/mileage report – May
- C. Minutes of the May 10, 2021, Public Hearing
- D. Minutes of the Regular May 10th, 2021, Council Meeting
- E. May Employee Hours Report
- F. May Employee Leave Report

All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Summary of May 10, 2021 Closed Meeting, annual performance evaluation for Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton. Performance evaluation determined that everything was highly satisfactory.

Agenda Requests/Presentations

None.

Planning & Zoning Department/Committee Business

Nothing to report.

Fire Department

May 2021 report was given by Fire Chief Brad Olson. There were 8 medicals, 1 fire and 1 MVA for a total of 10 calls in May.

All township meetings attended by Olson in the past couple of months went well. He attended 4 of the 7 townships and was well received. He reminded them of the annual meeting and was told that they will try to attend.

Olson reported to council that he has applied for a grant from the DNR.

Fire department has been searching for a new company to perform the fire extinguisher inspections and maintenance. He presented 3 quotes. He recommended changing to Yager Fire Protection because of the cost savings.

Johnson moved with a second by Hutchison to approve hiring Yager Fire Protection for the fire extinguisher inspections. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Chief Olson reported that he will be on a medical leave of absence for 10 weeks following surgery. He will still attend meetings.

Police Department

May 2021 police report was given by Police Chief Jason Borash.

Total calls for the month of May were 93, making a year-to-date total of 481.

Borash updated the council on the process of hiring a replacement police officer. The committee held interviews and selected a candidate. The candidate has accepted. Borash has started the process of background checks, etc. He is anticipating mid-August before he will be on duty.

Chief Borash presented information on a restitution payment. It involves an incident from 2018. The amount was \$2,506.97 and he would like it put in the vehicle fund.

O'Regan moved with a second by Johnson to approve placing the payment in the vehicle fund. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried

Council member Steve Johnson commented that he is very satisfied with the performance of our Police Department in Motley.

Public Works Department

May 2021 report was given by Public Works Director Bruce Brotherton.

Brotherton requested approval to attend the Minnesota Rural Water Association conference to be held August 24-26, 2021.

Hutchison moved with a second by O'Regan to approve the Public Works Director to attend the MRWA conference. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Brotherton updated the council on the research that has been done regarding the electric car charging station. He talked about the benefits of switching to ZEF Energy

from ChargePoint. Minnesota Power will cover the cost of switching and cover two years of the annual credit card ready fee. There was some discussion on whether or not to charge for use of the fast charger, which is currently free to use. Zef Energy would take care of the charges for 10% of the revenue generated. Mayor Yoder mentioned it would be nice to charge a little to offset the maintenance costs of the chargers. It was agreed to look into what other fast charging stations in the area charge.

O'Regan moved with a second by Johnson to approve switching to ZEF Energy and purchase their 2-year parts warranty for \$1,250.00. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Hutchison moved with a second by O'Regan to approve the scope of work with Minnesota Power for the switch to ZEF Energy. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Brotherton commented that the June Fest is coming together well and right on schedule for the upcoming weekend.

Administrative Department

May 2021 water usage report was given by Clerk/Treasurer Curt Bryniarski.

Bryniarski presented the 2021 Expenditure Update packet to the council. Everything seems to be on track so far this year. He noted the fire department's training expenses have been high, but most of it will be reimbursed by the state.

Council member Amy Hutchison inquired about the RV dump station at Brick's and how it may be affecting the water usage. Brotherton said he had questioned it a few years back. He said it probably has a very little affect, due to some of the RV's filling up their water there too.

Old Business

No unfinished business to discuss.

New Business

Council scheduled a public hearing at 6:15 p.m., prior to the July 12th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting for the Motley Code of Ordinances and the Fee Schedule Ordinance updates.

O'Regan moved with a second by Hutchison to approve Resolution 2021-19: To accept American Rescue Plan Funds. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

National Night Out is an event where the Fire Department and Police Department get together for an evening to promote the different departments of our City. It will be held at the Converse Park on the evening of August 3rd, 2021.

Hutchison moved with a second by O'Regan to approve the use of the Converse Pavilion at no charge for the National Night Out event on August 3rd, 2021. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

O'Regan moved with a second by Johnson to approve a donation of \$550 to the Motley Youth Swimming Lessons program. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried.

Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

Council Forum

No discussion.

Upcoming Meetings/Important Dates

Motley Fair: June 18-20, 2021

Motley June Fest: Saturday, June 19, 2021

Planning and Zoning Meeting: Tuesday, June 29th, 2021, 6:30 p.m. – City Hall

City Hall Closed – Independence Day (observed), Monday, July 5, 2021

Public Hearing, Monday, July 12th, 2021, 6:15 p.m.

Regular City Council Meeting, Monday, July 12th, 2021, 6:30 p.m. – City Hall

Council

Johnson moved with a second by O'Regan to adjourn the meeting. All aye, none nay. Mayor Yoder declared the Motion carried. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Curt Bryniarski – Clerk/Treasurer