

**MINUTES
REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023, 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

1. The Regular Waseca City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Randy Zimmerman at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Mayor Randy Zimmerman	Daren Arndt
	Mark Christiansen	Jeremy Conrath
	James Ebertowski	Stacey Schroeder

Councilmembers Absent: John Mansfield

Staff Present: Carl Sonnenberg, City Manager
Nate Willey, City Engineer
Bill Green, Planning and Zoning Coordinator
Julia Hall, City Clerk

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Councilmember Conrath made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Arndt. Councilmember Ebertowski asked to add a moment of silence for Pope County Minnesota's Sherriff's Department, Deputy Josh Owen who was killed in the line of duty and to his department as well as the injured officer from Starbuck and their department. A moment of silence was observed. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. None.

REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5. None.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. Councilmember Schroeder made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Ebertowski. Motion carried 6-0.

ACTION AGENDA

- 7.

- A. Public Hearing was held for Ordinance 1107: Text Amendments to Chapter 154 of the Zoning Code
 - Public hearing opened at 7:26 p.m.
 - Public hearing closed at 7:27 p.m.
 - Motion made by Conrath to approve Ordinance 1107: Text Amendments to Chapter 154 of the Zoning Code as presented, seconded by Schroeder. Motion carried 6-0
- B. Motion made by Arndt to appoint Carley Gleason and Chris Weber to the Planning Commission, seconded by Christiansen. Motion carried 6-0.
- C. Motion made by Christiansen to approve the International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 70-Fire Union Contract for 2023-2025 and Letter of Agreement, seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Motion made by Schroeder to approve Resolution 23-18: Report Bids and Award Contract for the 2023 Crack/Seal Coat Project, City Project Number 24-01, seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 6-0
- E. Motion was made by Conrath to approve Resolution 23-19: Authorize Professional Design Services Contract to Bolton and Menk for the 8th Avenue NE Reconstruction Project, seconded by Arndt. Motion carried 6-0.
- F.
 - 1. Motion made by Conrath to authorize the Entitlement Transfer Agreement with Winona Minnesota for the Waseca Airport 4-Unit Hangar Project, seconded by Schroeder. Motion carried 6-0
 - 2. Motion made by Christiansen to approve Resolution 23-15: Report Bids and Award Contract for the Waseca Airport 4-Unit Hangar Project; base bid only, seconded by Arndt. Motioned carried 6-0.
 - 3. Motion made by Schroeder to approve Resolution 23-16: Authorize Construction Engineering Services Contract with TKDA for the Waseca Airport 4-Unit Hangar Project, seconded by Ebertowski. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS

- 8.
 - A. City Manager's Report:
 - i. None
 - B. Commission Reports:
 - i. Heritage Preservation Commission: Councilmember Ebertowski reported that the HPC was awarded the grant to work on the project with the school district that will promote the Downtown Historic District and other areas in the City.
 - ii. Tourism Board: Councilmembers Conrath and Schroeder reported that the Billboard on Hwy 14 will be taken down and the funds are going to be used to team with "Small Town Media" to bring more of an online presence to tourism for Waseca. They also spoke of the possibility of a mural being added to the City, they will have further conversations and reviewing the requirements.
 - iii. Economic Development Authority: Mayor Zimmerman reported that the EDA as well is going away from paper advertising they had done in the past with *Site Selector Magazine* and going to a more hands on promotion by sending the Economic Development Manager to conferences and meetings to represent Waseca.
 - iv. Planning Commission: Councilmember Arndt reported that in their meeting they discussed the Text Amendment that was brought to Council earlier in the meeting as well as they interviewed the candidates for the two (2) open seats on the Planning Commission that were selected and voted in earlier in the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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A. Councilmember Christiansen:

- i. Saturday at 9:00 a.m. there will be a meeting at Maplewood Park for park clean-up. If you can't make it to clean-up that day, make a conscience effort to pick up around the community, every bit helps.
- ii. Also wanted to thank the concerned citizen who turned him in for not having numbers on his home. When they redid the siding, they forgot to replace the numbers and appreciate the reminder to put them on. They are currently looking for new numbers and are grateful that someone realized the importance of the numbers for safety/responding personnel incase of an emergency, and he encourages everyone to check their homes and make sure they have their numbers.

B. Councilmember Arndt:

- i. Thoughts are with the Pope County Sheriff's Department.
- ii. Thank you to the people who applied for the Planning Commission.

C. Councilmember Ebertowski:

- i. Agree with Councilmember Arndt and thinking of the City of Starbuck as well.

D. Councilmember Schroeder:

- i. Thank you to all the protect us.
- ii. Second what Councilmember Christiansen said, sign-in at Maplewood Park shelter it is an easy process and if you cannot make it, it's a great time to pick up around the community.
- iii. Would like to have a conversation on requirements to authorize lowering of the United States Flag at City Hall.

E. Councilmember Conrath:

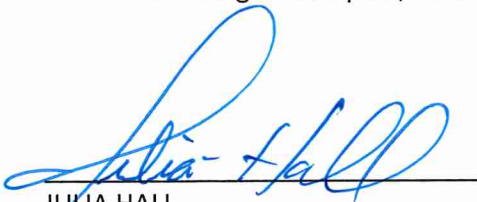
- i. Thoughts are with Pope County as well as the department in Wisconsin that lost some members recently.
- ii. Thank you to the people that attend all the meetings and commission they are appreciated.
- iii. Happy Birthday to Officer Scott Girtler.

F. Mayor Zimmerman:

- i. Thoughts and prayers with everyone who was mentioned.

ADJOURNMENT

10. There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Arndt to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Conrath. Motion carried 6-0.


JULIA HALL
CITY CLERK


RANDY L. ZIMMERMAN
MAYOR