

MINUTES  
REGULAR WASECA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

1 The regular Waseca City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Roy Srp at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Roy Srp Daren Arndt  
Mark Christiansen Allan Rose  
Jeremy Conrath Les Tlougan

Staff present: Lee Mattson, City Manager  
Mike Anderson, Assistant to the City Manager

Others present: Trevor Kanewischer, County Resident  
Charles & Linda Cone, Residents

**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 It was moved by Arndt, seconded by Christiansen, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

4 **PUBLIC COMMENT**  
NA

5 **REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS**  
NA

**CONSENT AGENDA**

6 It was moved by Tlougan, seconded by Conrath, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-0, and included the following:

- A. Minutes – Regular City Council Meeting & Work Session – April 16, 2019
- B. Payroll & Expenditures
- C. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement – Local Union 949
- D. Appointing a Complete Count Committee – 2020 Census
- E. Approval of Master Collocation Agreement for Small Wireless Facilities

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **7A Resolution19-11: EDA Board Composition & Public Hearing**

City Manager Mattson informed Council that this Resolution is amending the enabling Resolution to remove seats reserved on the Economic Development Authority for the Housing Redevelopment Authority and the Chamber of Commerce and have those seats be at large chairs. This Resolution also is clearing up all old language and creating a new document for all future reference.

Public Hearing was held at 7:06 p.m. Nobody approached the Council. The hearing closed at 7:07 p.m.

Motion was made by Conrath, seconded by Arndt to approve Resolution 19-11. Motion carried 6-0.

### **7B RCCA: Approving the Runway Culvert Replacement**

Council was informed that this project was approved in 2018. However the scope of the work exceeded the amount in the original agreement by \$17,000 with the City portion being \$1,700 and needs Council authorization to move forward. The funds needed to cover the cost will come from the Airport Special Revenue Fund.

Motion was made by Rose, seconded by Tlougan to approve the Supplemental Authorization for City Project 2018-05. Motion carried 6-0.

### **7C RCCA: Park Ordinance Amendment Introduction & Set Public Hearing (May 7, 2019)**

City Manager informed Council that he believes the Ordinance adopted in 2017, Council inadvertently adopted language that prohibits alcohol in most parks. The proposed amendment to Chapter 96 would allow for alcohol in parks except for City beaches, Maplewood Park (without a permit) and Tink Larson Community Field. The Public Hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2019.

Motion was made by Arndt, seconded by Conrath to set a public hearing for May 7, 2019 at 7 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

### **7D Resolution 19-19: Approval of Variance for 314 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE**

The Mayor began by thanking the Cone's for coming in to tonight's meeting. The Variance request is to allow the footprint of the house in combination with the existing accessory structure to exceed the maximum building coverage and not for impervious surface requirements of the Shoreland Ordinance. On April 9, 2019 he Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval of this variance to Council with a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Conrath, seconded by Arndt to approve Resolution 19-19. Motion carried 6-0.

7E **RCCA: Council Applications**

The Mayor announced the two current candidates being John Clemons and Larry Johnson. After Council discussion they determined to hold a work session for interviews on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6 p.m. Applications can be turned in up until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday May 2, 2019.

Motion was made by Tlougan, seconded by Christiansen to conduct Council Interviews at the May 7, 2019 work session. Motion carried 6-0.

7F **County Solar Farm Zoning Discussion**

Part of this study is to determine if there should be a specific distance of separation between existing residential properties and new solar farms. The County will also consider if there should be a prohibition on the development of solar farms within a specified distance from any city limits in Waseca County. The Planning Commission considered this issue and recommended Council support. The Council noted that the City does support the development of green energy, but noted the study period would allow the County to identify the best places for the development of that industry to occur.

Motion was made by Councilmember Tlougan to support a moratorium for 6 months or less, seconded by Srp. Motion carried 6-0.

**REPORTS**

8A **City Manager's Report**

- City will be undertaking some soil borings in the Birds Eye Lagoon
- Thank you to the Snow Removal Crews for their hard work
- Tink Larson Field had their season opener this past weekend
- Shelly Kolling, City Finance Directors last day is Monday
- Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference Meeting was held last week. The University team walked the downtown looking for host sites

8B **Commission Reports**

Discover Waseca Tourism (Conrath)

- Summer Brochures are coming out soon
- Discussed Sinister Forest and how they are looking for volunteers
- Talked about the upcoming fair and their booth

Planning Commission (Srp, Arndt)

- The Variance for 314 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE was recommended for Council Approval
- Commission discussed Solar Farms and a County Moratorium study

EDA (Srp)

- Welcomed their two new members at the last meeting
- Granted Junior Achievement some grant funding
- The Fredricks talked about adding a business in the South Industrial Park

- Site Selection consultant through Jeremy Brown has been invited to the next EDA meeting
- Received a Hemp Update that things are moving along nicely
- Next meeting is May 8, 2019

Park Board (Christiansen)

- Went over Park Equipment Replacement Plan
- Clear Lake Pavilion bathrooms need some updates
- Grant information has been submitted
- Trowbridge Musical Garden will begin construction this year
- 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Park Clean Up is April 27, 2019

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

9 The following miscellaneous announcements were made by Councilmembers:

Council Member Rose

- Kiesler's will be opening this month
- Docks will be installed next weekend

Council Member Christiansen

- Thank you City of Waseca Utilities for their hard work
- Burger fry for the Boy Scouts is Friday evening
- Flag retirement ceremony will be held at the fairgrounds

Council Member Arndt & Conrath

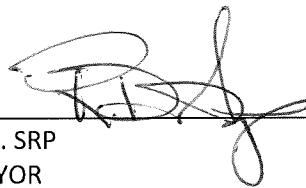
- Happy Easter

**ADJOURNMENT**

10 It was moved by Arndt, seconded by Conrath, to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.; motion carried 6-0.



MIKE ANDERSON  
ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER



R. D. SRP  
MAYOR