

KASSON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

6:00 PM

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular City Council meeting was held at City Hall on the 8th day of March, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: Christensen, Egger, Ferris and McKern, Johnson

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE ABSENT: None

THE FOLLOWING WERE ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator Timothy Ibisch, City Clerk Linda Rappe, Asst City Administrator/Finance Director Jessica Royer, Police Chief Josh Hanson, City Attorney Melanie Leth, City Engineer Brandon Theobald, Dave Dubbels, Tim O'Morro, Ken and Janice Borsgtrom-Durst, Rose Koss, Ken and Susan Schuck, Vera Schuck, Ann Schick, Michael and Autumn Richardson, Bruce Musolf, Clark Holz, Dana Meyer and Scott Andrist

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGANCE

Approve Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as Presented made by Councilperson Christensen, second by Councilperson Egger with All Voting Aye.

Consent Agenda

Minutes from February 22, 2023

Claims processed after the February 22, 2023 regular meeting, as audited for payment in the amount of \$213,337.15

Pay Request Rochester Sand and Gravel SRTS #2 \$46,625.52

Refuse Haulers Licenses

Hometown Haulers

LRS of MN

Skjeveland Enterprises

Waste Management of Rochester

Pay Estimate – Maguire Iron Fairgrounds Watertower #12 \$19,000

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda made by Councilperson Ferris, second by Councilperson Johnson with All Voting Aye.

VISITORS TO THE COUNCIL

MAYOR'S REPORT

PUBLIC FORUM

PUBLIC HEARING

2023 Street Project

Presentation – Brandon gave the presentation and went through the project and schedule. There will be a construction meeting at a later date for questions on construction and when that is starting etc.

Public Comments

Public Hearing Opened

Dana Meyer, 601 6th Ave NE – he misunderstood and thought the assessment was each year not as a total of \$2020.77. The City Engineer clarified the assessment process.

Rose Koss – 603 6th Ave NE - question on deferment. Ms. Koss was instructed to come to City Hall and get the form from the City Clerk or Finance Director.

Bruce Musolf – 204 4th Ave NE – question on after this is done will the city not have to pump out the manholes. Engineer Theobald stated that this is a bigger problem that is part of the I and I project and there will be some lining done on 4th Ave NE but we are working on this from several different directions. Mr. Musolf is also concerned after reclaiming that it gets paved and not sit all summer.

Janice Borgstrom – Durst – 401 3rd Ave NW – questioned how the City came up with the interest rate. Mayor McKern stated that City Policy and all of the other assessment projects have been prime plus 1.5 and this one will be the same.

Scott Andrist – questioned where the money was going from the wheelage tax. Mayor McKern stated that he would have to ask the County about that because we do not benefit from that.

Public Hearing Closed

Written Comments – Mayor McKern stated that the written comments are in the Council packet and public packet.

Resolution Adopt Assessments – Mayor McKern recommended moving forward and stated that in the interest of fairness we do not want to treat this project differently. Councilperson Johnson would like to find a way to pay and not assess. ***An election shall be required for bonds if less than 20 percent of the cost of the improvement to the municipality is to be assessed against benefited property. MN Stat. 429.091 Subd. 3*** After much discussion Mayor McKern made a **Motion to Adopt the Assessments, second by Councilperson Egger. Ayes: Christensen, Egger, Ferris and McKern. Nay: Johnson. Motion passes.**

Resolution #3.1-23

Resolution to Adopt the Assessment (on file)

Assessment Roll

Resolution Awarding Contract – Motion to approve the Resolution awarding contract to Rochester Sand and gravel made by Councilperson Ferris, second by Councilperson Christensen with All Voting Aye.

Resolution #3.2-23

***Resolution Awarding Contract and Approving 2023 Street Improvement Project Bid
(on file)***

COMMITTEE REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion on Liquor Ordinance Amendments – This is to amend Section 110.22 to comply with MN State Statue.

NEW BUSINESS

Bid Letting and Bonding – Administrator Ibisch stated that we are looking at a 30-year debt issuance. Staff is requesting the Council to authorize the bid letting and coordination with David Drown on financing. This would have an early call feature. **Motion to go out for bid with ICS and to coordinate with David Drown, made by Councilperson Egger, second by Councilperson Johnson with All Voting Aye.**

Resolution Establishing Procedures Relating to Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulation Under the Internal Revenue Code

Motion to Approve made by Councilperson Christensen, second by Councilperson Johnson with All Voting Aye.

Resolution #3.3-23

Resolution Establishing Procedures Relating to Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulations Under the Internal Revenue Code

(on file)

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator's Report – Administrator Ibisch went through his report.

MISO Cost of New Entry

Capacity Auction - Administrator Ibisch has procured 3 mw from Sleepy Eye and 2 from Springfield, Mountain Lake has a PUC mtg tomorrow and we are signed up for 2MW and Kenyon has promised 1 mw but we do not have the document yet. The goal is 8.5.

Administrator Ibisch stated that the auditors will be presenting probably April 12 and starting at 6PM.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Brandon gave an update on current projects.

PERSONNEL

ATTORNEY

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed

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Motion by Councilperson Ferris, second by Councilperson Egler with All Voting Aye.

ATTEST:

Linda Rappe, City Clerk

Chris McKern, Mayor