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Belvidere, Illinois)

BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Date: April 6, 2020

Convened in the Belvidere Council Chambers, 401 Whitney Blvd, Belvidere Illinois
at 7:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Chamberlain.

(1) Roll Call: Present: D. Arevalo, R. Brereton (by teleconference), G. Crawford (by teleconference), W. Frank (by teleconference), M. Freeman (by teleconference), M. McGee (by teleconference), T. Porter (by teleconference), T. Ratcliffe (by teleconference), D. Snow by teleconference), and C. Stevens.

Absent: None.

Other staff members in attendance:

Budget and Finance Director Becky Tobin, Director of Buildings Kip Countryman, Public Works Director Brent Anderson, Community Development Planner Gina DelRose, Fire Chief Al Hyser, Police Chief Shane Woody, City Attorney Mike Drella and City Clerk Sarah Turnipseed.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance:
Invocation:

(3) Public Comment:

(A) Pamela Lopez-Fettes, Executive Director of Growth Dimensions spoke and read comments from board members John Wolf, Mike St. John and Business Enterprise Manager Heather Wick addressing the importance of approving the annual budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year and the partnership of Growth Dimensions with the City of Belvidere.

(4) Approval of Minutes:

(A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of March 16, 2020; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Arevalo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of March 16, 2020. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(5) Public Hearing: Annual Budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year.

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Mayor Chamberlain opened the public hearing at 7:17p.m. and read the publication that appeared in the Belvidere Republican on March 19, 2020, and asked if there was anyone here to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 7:19p.m.

(6) Special Messages and Proclamations: Mayor Chamberlain thanked the community for their patience and goodwill as these go through these hard times together.

(7) Approval of Expenditures: None.

(8) Committee Reports and Minutes of City Officers:

(A) Minutes of Committee of the Whole – Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of March 23, 2020.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Crawford to approve the minutes of Committee of the Whole – Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of March 23, 2020. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens and Arevalo. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(9) Unfinished Business:

(A) Ord. #486H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Budgeting for all corporate purposes for the City of Belvidere, Boone County Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021.

Motion by Ald. Arevalo, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #486H.

Discussion took place. Motion by Ald. Brereton, 2nd by Ald. Frank to amend Ord. #486H to remove raises for Non-Union Employees. Roll Call Vote: 4/6 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, McGee and Brereton. Nays: Crawford, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens and Arevalo. Motion to amend lost.

Further discussion took place. Motion by Ald. Brereton, 2nd by Ald. Freeman to return Ord. #486H back to Committee for further review. Roll Call Vote: 2/8 in favor. Ayes: Frank and Brereton. Nays: Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo and Crawford. Motion to refer back to Committee lost.

Roll Call Vote on Motion to pass Ordinance #486H: 7/3 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo and Crawford. Nays: Freeman, Brereton and Frank. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #487H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 110-92, Yield Intersections, of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code to Add Garfield Ave. at West 3rd Street as Two Way Yield.

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Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Frank to pass Ordinance #478H. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #488H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 106, of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code to Add a New Article X, Municipal Gas Use Tax and Authorizing a Collection Agreement with Nicor Gas Company.

Motion by Ald. Arevalo, 2nd by Ald. Snow to pass Ordinance #488H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Crawford, Frank, Freeman and McGee. Nays: Brereton. Motion carried.

(10) New Business:

(A) Ord. #489H – 1st Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 110-2, Exceptions, of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code.

Let the record show Ordinance #489H was placed on file for first reading.

(B) Res. #2110-2020 – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the City of Belvidere and Illinois Fiber Resources Group.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Arevalo to adopt Resolution #2110-2020. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee and Porter. Nay: None. Motion carried.

(C) Res. #2111-2020 – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Belvidere and Boone County for Information Technology Services.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Arevalo to adopt Resolution #2111-2020. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter and Ratcliffe. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(D) Res. #2112-2020 – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of An Agreement Between the City of Belvidere and General Mills Operations for Re-Construction of a Crosswalk.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Crawford to adopt Resolution #2112-2020. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe and Snow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of March 23, 2020.

- (A) Motion to accept the National League of Cities Institute (NLCI) City Innovation Ecosystems Grant. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Arevalo, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow and Stevens. Nays: Brereton. Motion carried.
- (B) Motion to approve the proposal from Arc Design Resources, in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000.00, to complete the Phase 2 Design Engineering for the Logan Avenue Rehabilitation Project. This work will be paid for from the proceeds of the local motor fuel tax. Roll Call Vote: 6/4 in favor. Ayes: Crawford, Frank, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow and Arevalo. Nays: Brereton, Freeman, McGee and Stevens. Motion carried.
- (C) Motion to approve the work order from Baxter & Woodman, in an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000.00, for the preparation and submittal of the Land Application Permit to the IEPA. This work will be paid for from the Sewer Account #61-5-820-6190. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (D) Motion to purchase six trees from Clavey's Nursery, in the amount of \$870.00, for the Appleton Road Tree Planting Project. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton and Crawford. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion to purchase 45 trees from J Carlson Growers, in the amount of \$6,725.00, for the Appleton Road Tree Planting Project. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion to purchase 18 trees from St. Aubin Nursery, in the amount of \$3,053.00, for the Appleton Road Tree Planting Project. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (E) Motion to approve the proposal from Hanson Professional Services, in an amount not-to-exceed \$23,975.00, for the General Mills Crosswalk Improvements. This work will be paid for from Line Item #41-5-110-8020 and reimbursed by General Mills. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Porter, Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman and McGee. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (F) Motion to approve the Block Party Request at 140 Beacon Drive on July 11, 2020, contingent upon termination of the Governor's Executive Orders limiting public gatherings. Barricades will be placed at the intersection of Andrews Drive and Beacon Drive and a barricade at 152 Beacon Drive. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Ratcliffe, Snow, Stevens, Arevalo, Brereton, Crawford, Frank, Freeman, McGee and Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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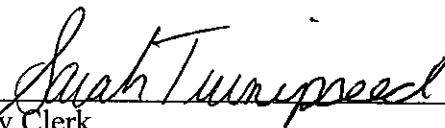
(11) Adjournment:

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Arevalo to adjourn meeting at 8:33p.m. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk