

Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll showed Councilpersons DeGross, Koosmann, Lee, Peterson, Sandow and Unruh were present. Also present were CT Rosenow, Chief Darwin, Library Director Schneider, Lynn McIntyre, Greg Adams, Anna Mewis and Carlton DeWitt. Julie Lee arrived after the meeting started.

DeGross moved and Sandow seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Voice vote carried.

Unruh moved and Koosmann seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 Regular Council meeting and the December 7, 2020 Special meeting. Voice vote carried.

Peterson moved and DeGross seconded a motion to approve disbursements. Roll call vote carried with all councilpersons present voting yes.

There were no Public Comments.

There was no summer rec committee report. Unruh commented the group was meeting January 7th.

A written library report was submitted and Director Schneider explained to the council that because of Covid restrictions the library had to change their annual visit from Santa and this year had him ride through town on a horse drawn carriage and hand out books. The event was a huge success and over 150 books were given out along the route. Schneider also noted that her last day at the library will be December 31st and she thanked the council for their support of the library and its programs and was proud of the collaboration that has taken place in her time here.

There was no Public Works report.

A written Police report was submitted and Chief Darwin stated Officer Justin Malean has finished training and is working on his own, the Covid grant paperwork has been signed and submitted, the new squad is in service and body cameras are up and running and they are working on the squad camera setup. Darwin listed the 2011 Crown Victoria and the sewer jetter on the Wisconsin Surplus Auction site and the bidding will close January 5th.

In the Clerk-Treasurer report, Rosenow informed the council that 4th quarter utility bills and tax bills have just been mailed out and with the office closed to the public they are utilizing a window in the back of the building as a drive up to accommodate residents making payments and that it is working quite well.

In the Mayor's report, Larson stated he has executed the easements and purchase agreement with Tyler Doornink to get things moving on the land purchase for the new building.

In Old Business, Lynn McIntyre stated that Cedar Corporation will be starting the environmental review necessary for the CDBG grant and architects are in the process of preliminary design for the new building.

In New Business, Peterson moved and Unruh seconded a motion to approve Nicole Langman as the school's representative to the library board. Voice vote carried.

Julie Lee was on an ambulance run and not yet at the meeting, so item #11 will be moved later in the agenda.

Unruh updated the council that results of the recent speed study requested for First St from Syme Ave to County Road G and Maple St from 7th St to the city limits past the school showed there was no need for a reduction in speed limit on First St but there were some recommendations on Maple St. Discussion was held regarding reducing the speed on Maple St from the current 45 mph to 40 mph and down to 30 mph in the school zone when children are present. Discussion was also held regarding installing lighted crossing signs but ultimately that portion of the agenda item was tabled until a later time, possibly when the State does construction work on that street in the future. Peterson moved and DeGross seconded a motion to reduce the speed limit on Maple St from 7th St, east to the city limits, to 40 mph/30 mph when children are present. Voice vote carried.

Unruh moved and Lee seconded a motion to accept rubber/plastic bumper covers for a \$10 fee at the recycling center. Voice vote carried.

DeGross moved and Peterson seconded a motion to approve attendance by the Police Chief to the 2021 WPFL Mid-winter training conference. Voice vote carried.

Ambulance Co-Director Julie Lee arrived at the meeting and presented the council with a request to purchase a power load system for the ambulance. Lee stated the ambulance had received some very generous donations in memory of Paula DeWitt and she would like to see that money added to another grant as well as money from the ambulance equipment budget to purchase the equipment at a cost of \$27,237.40. DeGross moved and Peterson seconded a motion to approve the purchase. Roll call vote showed all councilpersons voting yes. Motion carried.

Unruh moved and DeGross seconded a motion to approve a cigarette license application for Fiddler's Green Bar & Grill LLC. Voice vote carried.

DeGross moved and Peterson seconded a motion to declare the Vulcan 6 burner gas range, AdventEDGE two-door commercial refrigerator and 2011 Ford Crown Victoria as surplus property and to sell all items on the Wisconsin Surplus Auction site. Voice vote carried.

DeGross moved and Peterson seconded a motion to adjourn. Voice vote carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Shari Rosenow
Clerk-Treasurer