

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
APRIL 6, 2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – GoTo Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Auringer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL

- Council Members present: John Ries, Dennis Terrell, Ryan Short, Garrett Steinberg and Mayor Auringer.
- Staff present: City Administrator Jennifer Bromeland, Police Chief John Kopp, Public Works Director Brian Goettl, and Deputy Clerk Kerry Rausch.

DANGEROUS DOG DECLARATION HEARING

- Police Chief Kopp presented evidence of two unprovoked minor dog bites by German Shephard, Loki, owned by Jason Weimer and stated that Mr. Weimer has been cooperative with this process.
- Requirements to maintain a dangerous dog were presented, which include an enclosure, insurance, signage, tag on collar, etc.
- Mr. Weimer presented circumstances of each incident and requested consideration if initial incident should be classified as unprovoked.
- Council discussion included if a dangerous dog declaration could ever be revoked. Police Chief Kopp will research this.
- Council consensus was that they do not feel the dog should be destroyed.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Steinberg, to declare Loki as a dangerous dog. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Christopher Elwood, 213 Lakeview Dr, inquired about the construction between Mankato and Eagle Lake by Prairie Winds School and the elimination of wetlands in that area. It was explained that this area is out of Eagle Lake's jurisdiction. Blue Earth County's Public Work's Director, Ryan Thilges, was present and explained Board of Soil and Water Resources is the agency that handles this. He also explained that for every acre of wetlands removed, two acres need to be restored.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Terrell, to approve the agenda. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- Council Member Short moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to approve the March 2, March 18, and March 27, 2020 City Council meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to approve the consent agenda.

Monthly Bills	Treasurer's Report	Police Report
Fire Report	Public Works Report	Building & Zoning Permits

Resolution 2020-19 Re-Hiring of Ted Erlandson as Seasonal Public Works Employee

- A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Brian Sarff, Bolton and Menk, Timeline for South Agency Street Watermain Work

- Mr. Sarff reported that Blue Earth County's Public Works Director, Ryan Thilges, has indicated they are evaluating the road condition of Agency Street and that North Agency is in worse condition than South Agency and that Mr. Thilges has indicated the County is willing to participate in a cooperative agreement in which the county would contribute 90% to roadway improvements and 50% of ADA improvements. Additional meetings with the county will take place. If council decides to proceed with sidewalk improvement, the project will need right-of-way acquisitions.
- Council discussion included sidewalk options and the possibility of narrowing the roadway. Ryan Thilges explained that state aid standards does not allow for the loss of 6 feet of roadway.
- The option of a safety study, instead of a speed study, was presented by Council Member Terrell.
- The cost estimate without sidewalks from last October did include two inches of pavement but a new cost estimate needs to be obtained.
- Next step is to put together design documents and work with Blue Earth County. Mr. Thilges indicated that there is a possibility the county could do this project in 2020 but that is not guaranteed.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Mayor Auringer, to authorize Bolton and Menk to complete construction documents. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

2. Beth Rohrich, Park Board Member: Playground Equipment Proposal

- Beth Rohrich presented recommended equipment for a new park in Eagle Heights as well as park improvements for Lake Eagle and Frazee Park.
- Approximate cost of equipment is \$100,000 which does not include base material which will be needed. The Park Board will explore grant funding to help offset costs.
- Water drainage issues in Frazee Park and the dog park were discussed and will be corrected.
- Council authorized the Park Board to move forward as presented and to back to City Council in a couple of months with information on grants applied for.

PUBLIC HEARING

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2020-15: Adoption of the Blue Earth County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

- Administrator Bromeland explained the Blue Earth County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is a requirement by the State of Minnesota Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency every five years. This is mandatory in order to access FEMA mitigation funds.
- Council Member Ries moved, seconded by Council Member Short, to adopt Resolution 2020-15. A roll call vote was taken with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg, and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

1. COVID-19 Update – staff is practicing social distancing and disinfecting. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) has been secured. City Hall continues to be closed to the public. The only COVID-19 related concerns received from residents relate to the postponement of the Spring Clean Up. Local businesses and daycares have been contacted and potential resources are being shared with them.
2. 2019 Drinking Water Report – This report has been posted on the city's website and information will be mailed to residents within the next couple of weeks.
3. EAW for Mankato Motorsports Park Project and Next Step in Process- the public comment period ended April 1, 2020 and comments have been sent on to the developer and then will go onto the third-party reviewer. From there it will go to the LGU who will receive recommendations relating to environmental impact from the third-party reviewer.

4. Birthday Party Request Protocol – a protocol has been established to handle requests for the fire and police department to drive by homes of children unable to celebrate their birthdays due to COVID-19. This will only take place during the Stay at Home Order due to the pandemic.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Council Member Terrell moved, seconded by Council Member Ries, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Motion carried with Council Members Ries, Terrell, Short, Steinberg and Mayor Auringer voting in favor.

Tim Auringer, Mayor

Kerry Rausch, Deputy Clerk