

Mayor Jason TePaske called the Regular meeting of the Augusta City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were council members Sue Troxel, Bruce Stabenow, Patricia Wessel, Bob Chaffee, and Brian Leslin. Also present were Scott Williamson, Kasandra Thompson, and Cynthia Anderegg. Absent: Gordon O'Brien and Leslie LaRose

Pledge of Allegiance

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PROPER POSTING A notice of the meeting and an agenda was posted at the three public places and the local newspaper was notified.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion by Wessel seconded by Chaffee to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Wessel seconded by Leslin to approve the minutes for the following meetings: June 11th City Council meeting, and June 19th Personnel Committee meeting, and June 25th Special City Council meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

APPROVAL OF DEPARMENT REPORTS

Motion by Wessel seconded by Leslin to receive the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Leslin to receive the Police Department Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to receive the Senior Center Report. Motion carried.

Library Report: none submitted.

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to receive the Public Works Department Report. Motion carried.

The Augusta Bridge Creek Fire Department submitted the Minutes from the May 2024 meeting.

INTRODUCTION TO NORTHLAKES COMMUNITY CLINIC – DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Director of Operations, Carrie Roberts, and CEO, Reba Rice, of the Northlakes Community Clinic introduced the new clinic that will be moving into the Unity Bank Building offices previously occupied by Prevea Health. Northlakes offers services such as general health care, optometry, dental, behavioral health, chiropractic, and many more health services. The clinics primarily serve low-income rural areas. They plan to open in October 2024.

UPDATE ON PARKS IMPROVEMENT PLAN PROGRESS

- The disc golf course has had some changes and improvements due to feedback from community members. Recent rain has prevented getting in to continue work.
- They will be starting on the basketball court this week.
- The Senior & Community Center was awarded a grant that will be used for handicap accessible play equipment, including a swing. Along with other items for the Center.
- There has been some discussion on a redesign of the Senior & Community Center basketball court
- Replaced storm damaged slide at the Senior & Community Center.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PEMBER COMPANIES, INC CHANGE ORDER #4 -- REPLACE WATERMAIN PEASE ST RAILROAD CROSSING PROJECT

Final quantity balance to zero out contract quantities. Total addition to this change order is \$23,364.43

Motion by Wessel seconded by Troxel to approve the Pember Companies, Inc. Change Order #4 to balance final quantities of the contract to zero for an increase of \$23,364.43 to the project. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PEMBER COMPANIES, INC. PAY APPLICATION #3 – REPLACE WATERMAIN PEASE ST RAILROAD CROSSING

Motion by Wessel seconded by Troxel to approve final Pay Request #3 for Pember Companies, Inc. – Replace Watermain Pease St Railroad Crossing project in the amount of \$26,060.70. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PEMBER COMPANIES, INC. CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION – REPLACE WATR MAIN PEASE ST RAILROAD CROSSING

Motion by Wessel seconded by Leslin to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Pember Companies, Inc. – Replace Watermain Pease St Railroad Crossing project. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGETCS AND BID NOTICES FOR 2024

Eau Claire County will be chip sealing N. Stone St, the City is responsible for parking lanes and the city's portion of road width. Motion by Leslin seconded by Chaffee to approve the bid price of \$8,896 to chip sealing the parking lanes and the city's portion of road width of N. Stone St with Eau Claire County. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PURCHASING PROTECTIVE VESTS FOR THE POICE DEPARTMENT

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to Table. Motion carried.

CONSIDER HOLDING A FUNDRAISER FOR A CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to Table. Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF CHARTER ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY ORDINANCE 2.02(2), CHARTER ORDINANCE NO.117 CITY CLERK-TREASURER POSITION FROM AN ELECTED TO AN APPOINTED POSITION

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Leslin to waive the second reading. Motion carried.

Motion by Troxel seconded by Chaffee to approve and adopt Charter Ordinance No. 117-B to amend the City Clerk-Treasurer position from an elected to appoint position. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

The ordinance will go into effect 60 days after it's passage and publication as provided by Wis. ss. 66.0101.

CHANGE DATE OF AUGUSTA COUCIL MEETING DUE TO PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 13TH, MOVE TO AUGUST 20TH

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Troxel to move the regular August City council meeting to August 20th. Motion carried.

COMBINE WARDS FOR THE PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 13TH

Motioned by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to approve combing Wards for the Partisan Primary Election. Motion carried.

APPROVE BARTENDER LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Leslin to approve the bartender license applications for Jane MacDonald and Lucinda Solie working for Bearded Panther. Motion Carried.

ANNOUNCE AND DISCUSS UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- a. 2024 Open Book – September 4th 9:00am – 5:00pm
- b. Board of Review – September 18th 5:00pm – 7:00pm

MOVE TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85(1)(E) DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASING OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS, WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION. THE PURPOSE IS TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OF LAND FOR FUTURE WASTEWATER LIFT STATION INFRASTRUCTURE. AT THE END OF THE CLOSED SESSION, THE BOARD WILL BE GOING INTO OPEN SESSION.

Motion by Wessel seconded by Troxel to go into closed session. Motion carried.

MOVE TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION.

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Leslin to return to open session.

ACTION, IF ANY, OF MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

Motioned by Chaffee seconded by Wessel to approve the option to purchase land for the Spring Street Lift Station as written. Roll call vote: Ward 1, yes; Ward 2, yes; Ward 3, yes; Ward 4, yes; Ward 5, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chaffee seconded by Leslin to adjourn the meeting.

Cynthia Anderegg, City Clerk