

August 10, 2020
City Council Meeting Minutes

The August 10, 2020 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Staner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then Delaney, Rausch, Hosch, Kelchen and Knepper answered roll call.

A motion was made by Kelchen, second by Rausch to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

No speakers addressed the Council.

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council minutes 07/27/20, Library Board minutes 08/04/20, Liquor License Renewal for Casey's General Store #77, August claims for payment and July financial reports, fund balances and revenue by fund as follows: General \$113,550.75, Special Revenues \$61,550.29, Debt Service \$549.51 and Enterprise \$104,021.38. Motion by Kelchen, second by Delaney to approve the items in the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Tyler Kaalberg was present to address the City Council regarding his Eagle Scout project. He would like to place 2 benches along the Davidshofer trail along 1st Ave E. He will also like to place 2 trees by each bench, Japanese maples. He would also like to place Dwarf Emerald Green Arborvitae along the trail also. He is looking for sponsors to assist with the cost. If someone purchase a whole bench for \$400 it can be personalized, otherwise the bench will just say Troop 29. All the maintenance will be done by Troop 29. This does have to be approved by the Boy Scout Council. It was suggested to talk with abutting property owners who are currently mowing the area where the benches and trees will be placed. It is also imperative to work with the City so trees don't get planted where there are utility lines. After a good discussion, motion by Hosch, second by Knepper to approve Tyler to move forward with his Eagle Scout project. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed **Resolution #47-20**, Resolution Approving Pay Application No. 12 in the amount of \$76,125 for Partial Retainage for the Cascade Municipal Pool Project with Ricchio, Inc. in the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Delaney, second by Kelchen to approve **Resolution #47-20**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed **Resolution #44-20**, Resolution Approving Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$96,804.96 for the Cascade Municipal Pool Project with Beck Construction in the City of Cascade, Iowa. Motion by Rausch, second by Delaney to approve **Resolution #44-20**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Council reviewed the *1st Reading* of **Ordinance #03-20**, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 55, Animal Protection and Control of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cascade, Iowa. There was some discussion regarding the change. Additional breeds of pit bulls are being added to the Code so there is clarity with what exactly is prohibited in the City of Cascade. Motion by Delaney, second by Rausch to approve the *1st Reading* of **Ordinance #03-20**. Motion passed 4-1 by roll call vote, with Hosch voting no.

Council reviewed **Resolution #45-20**, Resolution Deleting Property from Cascade Urban Renewal Area. This would take a parcel out of the downtown and add back in therefore starting the 20-year window again. It was discussed about removing all the downtown parcels and adding back in since this process costs us money. The City Administrator will look into the revenue from the existing downtown district and see if it makes sense to do all of the parcels now. Due to this, motion by Kelchen, second by Rausch to table **Resolution #45-20** until next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed *1st Reading* of **Ordinance #04-20**, An Ordinance Deleting Property from the Tax Increment Financing District for the Cascade Urban Renewal Area of the City of Cascade, Iowa, Pursuant to Section

403.19 of the Code of Iowa. This is connected to the previous resolution, so motion by Kelchen, second by Rausch to table the *1st Reading* of **Ordinance #04-20** until next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed **Resolution #46-20**, Resolution Setting Date for Public Hearing on Designation of the Expanded Cascade Urban Renewal Area and on Urban Renewal Plan Amendment. This is also related to the previous resolution and ordinance so motion by Delaney, second by Kelchen to table **Resolution #46-20** until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed **Resolution #42-20**, A 28E Agreement Between the City of Cascade, Iowa and the Western Dubuque County Community School District for Maintenance and Use of a Soccer Field. Western Dubuque would like to start offering soccer as a sport next spring and want to use these fields. Motion by Delaney, second by Hosch to approve **Resolution #42-20**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

The week of August 16-22 is Water and Wastewater Workers of Iowa Week. Mayor Staner read a proclamation declaring Water and Wastewater Workers of Iowa Week August 16-22. Thank you to our public works employees for their hard work and dedication to our community to keep our water and wastewater systems working.

Council discussed the alley behind City Hall again. The wall of the storm water system has failed in an area and is deteriorating further down the alley as well. An estimated cost for the first 40' of repair was received, but we should repair 100' of the alley. There was some question on the size of pipe to be replaced. We may make repairs and just seal coat this year and then come back next year to asphalt. After some discussion, motion by Hosch, second by Delaney to verify the pipe size with our engineer and reach out to contractors. Motion carried unanimously.

Council received a report from the Police Chief and City Administrator. The City Administrator provided a report containing information that the levee project has not yet been awarded by the Army Corps, the tennis courts are painted with the pickleball lines coming this week, public works has been busy with cleaning out the retention ponds, tore down the old basketball poles, replaced bad water meters, training on winterizing the pool, painting crosswalks, working on moving the baby swing set at the pool playground and getting ready to install the new child swing set. The City Administrator will be out of the office on Wednesday, August 12 to get Serv Safe certification and attending the Iowa Rural Summit virtually on August 20 and 21.

With no other business, Kelchen moved and Hosch seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:05p.m. Motion carried.