

**CITY OF ZUMBROTA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2022
6:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, Acting Mayor Sara Durhman called the Zumbrota City Council to order at 6:00 PM. PRESENT: Acting Mayor Sara Durhman; Council members Tina Hostager, Dirk Cedergren, and Bob Prigge. Others present: City Administrator Brian Grudem, Public Works Director Mike Olson, Police Chief Pat Callahan, Officer Tyler Evenson, City Attorney Matt Rockne, & Zumbrota Area Ambulance Representative Beth Stumm.

AMENDMENTS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION Hostager, second Cedergren, to adopt the agenda. Approved 4-0-0.

MINUTES – September 15, 2022, MEETING MINUTES

MOTION Hostager, second Prigge, to approve the September 15, 2022, meeting minutes. Approved 4-0-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – October 6, 2022

MOTION Durhman, second Cedergren to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$46,348.49. Approved 4-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

8-A. 2023-2025 PUBLIC WORKS / TEAMSTERS UNION CONTRACT APPROVAL

Grudem highlighted some of the changes made to the contract as follows:

- 1) 2% pay grid increase each year plus a cost-of-living increase in 2023 of 2.38% which is the 10-year average of the Consumer Price Index for a total increase in 2023 of 4.38%
- 2) The 2% grid increase will carry through for all three years of the contract, the Cost-of-Living increase will be calculated on August 31st each year and added to the grid increase.
- 3) Changes were made to On-Call pay by adding an additional 5 hours of paid on call.
- 4) We will add Juneteenth as a Holiday when the State of Minnesota designates it as a holiday.

MOTION Hostager, second Prigge to approve the 2023-2025 Public Works contract. Approved 4-0-0.

8-B. NON-UNION EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASE

Grudem that the personnel committee recommends a 4.38% increase for all non-union employees which is consistent with the Public Works Union Contract.

MOTION Hostager, second Prigge to approve a 4.38% wage increase for 2023 for all non-union employees. Approved 4-0-0.

8-C. ICING SAND QUOTE

Public works director Mike Olson presented the 2023 Icing Sand quote from Schumacher Excavating

MOTION Prigge, second Cedergren to approve the icing sand quote from Schumacher Excavating for 500 tons at a cost of \$7.55 per ton for a total cost of \$3,775.00. Approved 4-0-0.

8-D. JASON HINZ DUST CONTROL REIMBURSEMENT

Public works director Mike Olson presented a request from Jason Hinz for reimbursement for dust control. The city contracts for this service in his area. Jason contacted the company for the treatment before it was done under the city contract, he paid \$200 for it at that time. **MOTION** Hostager, second Prigge to approve reimbursement to Jason Hinz in the amount of \$200 for dust control. Approved 4-0-0.

8-E. POLICE INTERIOR DOOR WORK

Public Works Director Mike Olson presented a proposal for repairing two doors within the Police Department. Due to age and wear, some repairs need to be made.

MOTION Hostager, second Cedergren to approve a quote in the amount of \$2,184 from BDS Contract Door & Hardware Company for door repairs within the Police Department. Approved 4-0-0.

8-F. PUBLIC WORKS COLD STORAGE BUILDING CHANGE ORDER

Public Works Director Mike Olson presented a change order for the previously approved Public Works/Police Cold Storage Building. An in-depth structural design was required, the design added substantial amount of framing to make the building structurally sound. The proposed increase is \$23,151 which includes engineering at a cost of \$6,887 and additional framing labor and materials costing \$16,264. **MOTION** Hostager, second Prigge to the change order for the Public Works/Police cold storage building in the amount of \$23,151. Approved 4-0-0.

REPORTS

City Administrator Brian Grudem

Stated staff will be posting for a cleaning person or company to begin cleaning the City Hall, Library and Police department in 2023.

Congressmen Brad Finstad will be in Pine Island, Kasson and Stewartville for a listening tour on Thursday October 13th, he will be in Pine Island at 8am. We will present the Sanitary District starting and I have invited some local business owners to participate in a round-table about the local economy, job market, etc.

Public Works Director Mike Olson

Reported there was a sewer back up and the city has worked with our insurance company and homeowners to take care of issues that arose from the back-up.

Council Member Dirk Cedergren

Reported on the last Zumbrota Area Ambulance meeting. They have purchased 10 Trauma bags that will be in ambulances, fire trucks and other emergency vehicles so we are better prepared in case of a mass casualty event.

Mr. Cedergren noted that the Park Board asked him to speak to the council about the pool being at "end-of-life". It was noted that the pool vessel itself has been upgraded and we hope to run the pool for another year or two. The bathhouse is at the end of life, the Park Board will not spend more money on the old building. We will continue to design and plan for a new pool at some point in the future. A new pool effort would require a referendum allowing the citizens to vote on a potential tax increase to pay for a pool. Also, a desire was expressed to explore a potential community center with a pool concept.

Police Chief Patrick Callahan

Chief Callahan updated the council on the status of the new body cameras and squad cameras. The installation of two squad cameras will take place in the first week of December followed by testing, once we are sure they are working as they should the other two squads will be outfitted. There will be a public meeting pertaining to implementation of the body camera system sometime in December 2022.

The meeting adjourned 6:42 p.m.

Brian Grudem, City Administrator