

Mayor Fred Froehlich called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on November 12, 2024 in the Council Chambers.

Members and guests sited the words to the Pledge of Allegiance.

In addition to Mayor Froehlich; Councilmembers: Mary Wels, Phil Radel and Kevin Ostermann were present. Councilmember Matt Anthony was absent. Others in attendance included Vanessa Drill, Nels Pierson, and Karen Fluegge.

*The agenda was approved on a motion which was made K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The minutes of the Regular meeting of October 14, 2024 were approved on a motion which was made by M. Wels, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The bills totaling \$116,731.90 were approved on a motion which was made by P. Radel, which was seconded by K. Ostermann and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Nels Pierson with Reagan Outdoor Advertising from Rochester, Minnesota was present to discuss digital advertising. Mr. Pierson stated the parcel that Regan Outdoor was interested in is owned by the city of Nicollet but it is not in the city limits. Their interest would be to rent the land from the city for the placement of a 10-foot six inch by thirty-six feet billboard. A digital billboard is controlled via satellite and the billboard can be digitized on both sides. He stated this is an introduction about Reagan Outdoor and the process for billboards takes a long time. The council stated that there is an ordinance in place for billboards and that the parcel would need to be annexed in. The council asked the clerk to look into the ordinance and the fees associated with the annexation process. Mr. Pierson said he will follow back up over time with the Clerk to see if the city has any interest.

Two quotes were received for check valve replacements at lift station 1 and 2. Quotes from: Tri-State Pump in the amount of \$17,949.68 and Quality Flow Systems in the amount of \$17,155.00 were presented.

*Quote from Quality Flow Systems in the amount of \$17,155.00 for check valve replacements for lift station number 1 & 2 was approved on a motion made by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

The Clerk reported the remaining funds of \$44,179 of the American Resue Plan needs to be obligated by December 31, 2024 or they must be returned to the U.S. Treasury. Obligation means entering into a contract, and agreement or placing an order that requires payment. The city will use the water tower repair of \$16,940.49, lift station check valve repair of \$17,155.00, clerks' office door of \$4,450.00 and estimated \$6,000 for lift station transfer switch.

Mayor Froehlich noted to the personnel committee that employee reviews should be conducted before the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting as that is the last meeting of the year.

*Resolution #1 1-12-24 - CANVAS 2024 GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS was approved on a motion made by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Pay Request No. 1 for 2024 Pedestrian Safety Improvements to River City Electric Co in the amount of \$21,370.34 was approved on a motion which was made by F. Froehlich, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Pay Request No. 5-FINAL – 2023 Lift Station No. 2 Imp - GM Contracting in the amount of \$31,907.73 was approved on a motion which was made by P. Radel, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Mutual Aid Agreement with Blue Earth, Nicollet and Le Sueur County which authorizes the joint and cooperative exercise of powers common to contracting parties was approved on a motion made by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Reminders of the upcoming, meetings were noted:

- A. Dec 9, 2024 @ 6:00 pm – TNT Hearing – Monday
- B. Dec 9, 2024 @ 6:15 pm – Regular Meeting – Monday
- C. Jan. 13, 2025 @ 6:00 pm – Regular Meeting - Monday

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m., which was approved on a motion made by P. Radel, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

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Vanessa Drill, City Clerk/Treasurer