

Due to the forecasted inclement weather, the meeting was planned and held virtually via Zoom. Roll Call: Paul Malm, Joel Robinson, John Parks, and Bret Hayworth are present. Tom Conolly is absent. Robinson motions to approve agenda, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Parks motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Robinson. Ayes, motion carries. Robinson motions to approve the Utility Billing Trial Balance, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Robinson motioned to approve the bills/claims for the month, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Robinson motions to approve the December Treasurer's report, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Mayor Fisher and council reviewed the fence permit for 603 Main from Mike Robley and determined that more information is needed. No action at this time. Guests present include Chad Thompson, Edgar Rodriguez and Jerry Sailer. No speakers during Open Forum.

Chief Jerry Sailer presented a Fire Department update. He has concerns with declining membership and asked for council discussion on how to remedy the issue. Chief Edgar Rodriguez gave a Police Department update. No public works update was given. Council reviews Resolution 2023-1 appointing City Clerk. Malm motions to approve the re-appointment of Jodi Peterson as clerk as stated in the Resolution, seconded by Robinson. Ayes, motion carries. Council reviews Resolution 2023-2 appointing City Attorney. Malm motions re-appointment of Chad Thompson as stated in the resolution, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Council considers Resolution 2023-3 approving banking institutions. Robinson motions to approve the resolution, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Council reviews Resolution 2023-4 appointing records custodians. Hayworth motions to approve the resolution, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Council reviews Resolution 2023-5 approving investment policy. Robinson motions to table pending further review, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Council considers Resolution 2023-6 appointing planning and zoning board members. Hayworth motions to approve the resolution, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries.

Mayor Fisher recommends appointment of Tom Conolly as Mayor Pro-Tem. Malm motions to approve this appointment, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Council considers Resolution 2023-7 assessing unpaid mowing charges from 607 Frontage Road to property owner Deanda. Parks motions to approve this assessment, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Council considers Resolution 2023-12 committing funds to child care needs assessment grant application. If awarded, this grant would pay \$10,000 towards a childcare needs assessment study. A 50% match is required, and MCDAl has already committed \$1000 to the project. Hayworth motions to commit the remaining \$4000 to the study, seconded by Robinson. Ayes, motion carries.

Council reviews Fire Department, Police Department and City Hall sections of the 2023-2024 budget. No action taken at this time. No action taken on Resolution 2023-8 setting public hearing for Maximum Property Tax Dollars to Certify for Levy. Mayor and Council concerns and comments were discussed. With no further business Robinson motioned to adjourn around 6:52 pm and Malm seconded. All ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Jodi Peterson
City Clerk

Jim Fisher
Mayor